

“There are many in the world who are dying for a piece of bread, but there are many more dying for a little love” ~ Mother Theresa

“You must be the change you want to see in the world” ~ Mahatma Gandhi

AN OVERVIEW OF OUR THIRD YEAR

WHAT HAPPENED, WHAT WE DID AND WHAT WE ARE PLANNING TO DO!!!!

Highlights

- ✓ We continue to partner with Help & Shelter and conducted workshop on awareness sessions on all types and forms of child abuse.
- ✓ Collaborated with the Ministry of Home Affairs and attended all sessions on Citizens Working towards Sustainable Safe Neighborhoods.
- ✓ Worked with Child Protection Agency conducting sessions on youth empowerment, child abuse and family planning.
- ✓ LGHLC is a Hub for the One Laptop per Family Program including training for the recipients.
- ✓ LGHLC was invited to host a booth at the November 26th Exhibition at Tower Hotel sponsored by Georgetown Chamber of Commerce. Our theme will be Empowering Women and Youths through Education.
- ✓ Teamed up with Guyana Conference of 7th Day Adventist to host Medical Outreach for the surrounding communities. Conducted blood pressure & diabetes screenings, general medical checkups, dental cleaning, extractions and filling for over 168 patients.
- ✓ Hosted an Easter Feast on April 5th where the children were treated to cross-buns, lunch and given kites.
- ✓ On April 8th, Minister Nandalall visited the center and distributed kites to the students and also to kids from around the neighborhood.
- ✓ Our teachers participated in a teachers workshop hosted by the Ministry of Home Affairs on Citizen Security Program – Violence against Women.
- ✓ LGHLC hosted Phagwah Program for the children that included a concert and motivational speeches by community leaders.
- ✓ Guyanese singer Terry Gajraj (Guyana Baboo) visited the center and conducted interactive sessions on music with the children. He hosted a mini concert for the kids and they had a lot of fun with him.
- ✓ Our third Christmas party and Concert was held on December 3, 2011.
- ✓ Minister Ramsammy visited the center in August and spoke to the children.
- ✓ LGHLC now has a working landline and Internet service. You can reach the center at (592) 234-1791.

Upcoming Events

LGHLC will be having their 4th Annual Christmas Party on December 8th, 2012. It will begin with a Christmas Concert featuring the children of the center. Santa Claus will be stopping by to

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deliver Christmas gifts to the children. After Santa leaves, the children will be fed and fêted!!!

Ongoing Activities

- We currently have six daily classes including our class for dropouts
- Our computer class is being taught four days per week.
- Our battle with child abuse continues. We met with the Minister of Social Services and Welfare on this subject. We will continue to fight for protection, representation and justice for the abused children.
- We are forging ahead with our outreach programs:
 - ✓ Distributing:
 - Clothes and footwear
 - Food Hampers
 - Children Vitamins
 - ✓ Providing:
 - Medical help to sick children
 - Scholarships to drop-outs getting them back in school
 - Whatever basic needs are required by our students.

Plans for the next twelve months

1. Replace the front fence with a concrete fence for privacy purposes.
2. Repaint the center
3. Install awnings around the porch to prevent the rain from disturbing the classes held on the porch
4. Install flood lights at the front and back of the yard for security reasons.

These plans are contingent upon RHI having the financial resources to fund them.

Message to all our Friends and Supporters

We hope we can continue to demonstrate to you that we value your support and that we use it wisely to help the less fortunate. We, and those we serve, deeply appreciate your generosity. Thank you!!

Please Donate

Help us break the cycle of poverty and hopelessness by donating to our cause. Please make your check payable to **Restoring Hope International, Inc. and mail to 5 Molly Stark Drive, Morristown, NJ 07960.** You can also donate online at www.goodhope-gy.org. A **tax deductible** receipt will be mailed to you for your records. A hundred percent of your donation will go towards this project.



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