



GIFT OF LIFE



A Rotary project to save the lives of children suffering from heart ailments

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Saving lives and building peace

10 children to fly on 6 August from Uganda to AIMS Kochi for surgery

Rotary Dist 3650 (Korea), Rotary Dist 4560 (Brazil), Rotary Clubs of Masindi (Uganda Dist 9211) Udhampur, Rajouri, Mandi, Gangtok South, Giridih, Delhi East End (all from India), Sao Jose do Rio Preto Alvorada (Brazil), Algiers (New Orleans), Gift of Life New Jersey and Gift of Life International are joining hands to save lives of 10 children from Uganda by arranging open heart surgery in India under GG 1753747 at AIMS Kochi. Children will arrive in India on 7 August 2017 for undergoing open heart surgeries to cure their congenital heart diseases.



Rotary Gift of Life acknowledge gratitude to **Ms Laura Bradley, Regional Grants Officer, Rotary Grants, The Rotary Foundation** for extending excellent support for this project. Above file photo shows her visiting a Gift of Life child from Zambia on 14 Feb 2014 at Delhi

Dr R Krishna Kumar, Clinical Professor and Head, Pediatric Cardiology and **Dr. P.K. Brijesh**, Clinical Associate Professor, Paediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre will lead the AIMS medical team for this project. **Rtn Sushil Gupta**, Trustee-The Rotary Foundation and **Rtn Robert Raylman**, CEO-Gift of Life International are guiding and advising the GOL team and the project. **Rtn Grace Agwaru**, the first recipient of Gift of Life, when she was five 5 years of age (on 15 Nov 1975), is coordinating the project team in Uganda.



Rtn Grace Agwaru

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CHD screening camp on 6 August at Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir

The camp is coordinated and supervised by Rtn KK Langer, Chief Coordinator, Gift of Life (North West and J&K). He had earlier organised two mega medical camps at Jammu on 21 July 2013 and 28 March 2015 respectively. Around 300 registrations of children have been done for the camp to be held on 6th August 2017 (Sunday). The team of doctors led by Dr KS Iyer (Executive Director) from FEHI New Delhi will screen the children. Dr. Vamiq Rasool Paediatric Cardiologist from FEHI will also join. Rtn KK Langer not only contributes for travel expenses of selected children from his personal savings, but also visits each child upon return from Delhi after recovery and recuperation.



Left: Komal from Billawar, J&K with Rtn KK Langer **Right:** Imran Ishaq, 6 months, Village Darpora, Lolab, Kupwara in his poorly constructed home.



Left: Kashi Sharma. 1.7 years, male from village Dhangri, Rajouri with Rtn KK Langer.

Right: Rtn KK Langer visiting Ajesh Kumar, 17 years, male at village Paranoo, Doda.

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Rtn Bina Sharma joined Rotary Club of Gangtok South (RID 3240) in the year 2007. She is Chief Coordinator of Gift of Life for Sikkim region. She started referring deserving needy children to Gift of Life Delhi for open heart surgeries to cure their CHD when she was President of her Club during 2010-11. Currently she is an Assistant Governor in Dist. 3240.



Rtn Bina not only visited children in Delhi hospitals but also invited them to weekly Club meetings. She visited their homes at far away remote locations to offer motherly care.



This Club, under the leadership of Rtn Bina Sharma, has been joining GOL grants every year by contributing financially for the project. Her passion in life is 'Gift of Life'. GOL is proud of this pretty intelligent dedicated lady Rotarian who spends much of her time for community service especially for the economically disadvantaged children in her home State of Sikkim.

Rtn Bina Sharma says: "Our District 3240 also had started a project "Heart to Heart". However, Dist. had certain restrictions" says Rtn Bina Sharma.

(Photographs shown in this column are some of the children from Sikkim referred by Rtn Bina Sharma).

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Gift of Life Chief Coordinator **Rtn PP Singh**, Past District Governor of Rotary International & Chairman of Pooja Sewa Sansthan has been elected as Board Member of National Trust at all India level election held on 12th May, 2017. 497 Institutes in India, registered with National Trust, participated in the election process.

There were 3 categories - namely Autism, Cerebral Palsy and MR for which elections were held. In MR Category, Rtn P.P. Singh won with good majority of votes. National Trust is governed by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment of the Government of India and is working for distressed children in need.

Rtn PP Singh is one of the senior **Coordinators of Gift of Life** looking after North parts of India and U.P. Ever since, Rotary (Delhi NCR) Gift of Life was formed, he was referring economically disadvantaged children especially from Uttar Pradesh region to Delhi for open heart surgeries and participating actively in its Global Grants.

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Rotarian KK Langer visiting Gauri, 3 years, female at Vikas Nagar, Janipur, Jammu



“Our Club was getting many cases, and we were keen to help them. When I got a call from Rtn. Kiron from R.C. Shillong (D3240) telling about “Gift of life” project, it was gift to our Club and children of Sikkim. Thereafter we have seen wonders happening to children and their parents”



“GOL is very close to my heart and it has given satisfaction and happiness to me and members of our club - something worth to remember and cherish in life” Rtn Bina said.



“We would like to put on record our sincere thanks to everyone connected with “Gift of Life” and making us part of this worthy life saving project “



Well said Rtn Bina, we thank you and salute you



Sakshi, 7 years, female from Kathua, J&K referred by Mr Pardeep Singh Andotra through Rtn K.K. Langer was admitted at NHI New Delhi on 10 July 2017. On 11 July, NHI did her ASD plus PDA Closure with Double Ligation of PDA. Surgery went uneventfully and she was shifted to PORR in stable condition. Upon total recuperation she was discharged.



Arun, 7 months, male referred by Rotary Mandi, (Rtn Sudhanshu Kapoor/Rtn Surender Mohan/ Rtn Arvind Sankhyain / Rtn KK Langer) admitted at FEHI on 4 July underwent open heart surgery on 11 July 2017 and after recuperation, got discharged.



Talaw , 7 years, male, Punjab referred by PDG Rtn Sarbjeet Singh/ PDG Rtn Upkar Singh was operated at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi on 10th July 2017. He got admitted at hospital on 8th July 2017. This case was getting delayed for admission at AIIMS since October, 2016. Case was financially sponsored by Rotary Club of Delhi Ashoka.



Shagun Sharma, 5 years, female, U.P. referred by PDG Rtn PP Singh, underwent open heart surgery on 14 July 2017 at FEHI, New Delhi. Shagun was discharged on 31 July 2017 after recuperation.



Farman, 3 years, male, U.P. referred by Rtn PP Singh was admitted at FEHI New Delhi on 3 July 2017. After successful surgery, child was discharged.



Sayana, referred by Rtn Capt Mathews of RC PP River Valley, admitted at AIMS Kochi on 11 May underwent open heart surgery successfully.



Manya Pathak, 5 years, female, Kanpur, referred by PDG Rtn PP Singh was admitted at NHI New Delhi on 23 May 2017. She underwent open heart surgery on 6 June 2017 for double ligation of PDA.



Kritika, 5 years, female was admitted at FEHI New Delhi on 20 June 2017. She is resident of Kartarpur, Jalandhar, Punjab. The case was referred by President RC Jalandhar City through Rtn KK Langer. She was operated on 29 June 2017.



Ameena, 1 year, female, referred by Dr K Sudhakaran, Trikaripur, Calicut admitted at AIMS Kochi on 31 May, operated on 2 June was discharged on 9 June 2017.



Anjali Rastogi, 4 years, female referred by Rtn Rajesh Gupta of Rotary Club of Delhi Rajdhani, admitted at FEHI New Delhi on 6 June 2017 underwent surgery. His father Himanshu Rastogi belongs to economically disadvantaged family. They stay at house No 26, Moahalla Holiwala, Hasanpur, Amroha in Uttar Pradesh



Sahajot Singh, 2.3 years, male, Batala referred by Rtn KK Langer, admitted at FEHI on 24 July underwent surgery on 26 July 2017.



Ruby Kumari, 11 years, female from Jharkhand referred by Rtn S P Bagaria of Rotary Club of Giridih was admitted at FEHI, New Delhi on 27 June 2017. She underwent successful open heart surgery at FEHI on 14 July 2017



Nandini, 14 years, female, Punjab referred by RC Adampur thru Rtn KK Langer was admitted at NHI Delhi on 19 June 17. She underwent minimally Invasive ASD closure (small incision on the right side of chest) on 20 June 2017 at NHI New Delhi. She came for surgery to Delhi after writing her class X examinations in J&K School.



Ayush, 3 years, male, U.P. referred by PDG Rtn PP Singh of Rotary Club of Bareilly North was admitted at FEHI New Delhi on 17 May 2017. Ayush was operated on 23 May 2017. He was discharged on 19 June 2017.



Mannat, 14 months, female, U.P. referred by PDG Rtn PP Singh of Rotary Club of Bareilly North was admitted at FEHI New Delhi on 17 May 2017. She underwent open heart surgery on 31 May 2015.



Sangeeta Singh, 16 years, female, referred by President Rtn Shivani Tibrewal, Rotary Club of Greater Tezpur, RI Dist 3240 Assam through GOL Coordinator North East Rtn Kiron Joshi was admitted at NHI on 12 July 2017 and operated on 18 July 2017. Sangeeta lives with her mother Uma Singh who is a daily wage earner.



Salman, 2.4 years, male, J&K, referred by Rtn KK Langer, RC Rajouri, admitted to Escorts hospital, New Delhi on 6 April 2017 underwent successful open heart surgery.



Rukan, 9 months, male, J&K referred by Rtn KK Langer was admitted to Escorts hospital on 17 April 2017. Child underwent operation under Gift of Life project. He was discharged on 24 May 2017



Samarth, 2 years, male, Manali, H.P. admitted to Escorts hospital on 10 April was operated successfully and got discharged on 27 May 2017. This was referred by Rtn Vineet Mehndiratta, Rotary Club of Manali RI Distt 3070. . Samarth belongs to a BPL family. His father is a Gardner.



Arshdeep Kaul, 6 months, male, Punjab, referred by Rtn Lupinder Kumar was admitted at NHI, New Delhi on 1 May 2017. He underwent surgery (Double ligation of PDA) on 4th May 2017



Mehnaz, 4 years, female, J&K, referred by Rtn KK Langer was operated on 17 May at NHI for Sinus Venosus ASD Closure. She was discharged on 22 May 2017. She had developed chest infection during their trip to Delhi from J&K and was given antibiotics and nebulization.



Varun Sehgal, 2.7 years, male, Punjab referred by Rtn KK Langer admitted to FEHI New Delhi on 8th May 2017 underwent open heart surgery on 13 May 2017.



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A remembrance note from Zambia

On 18 July 2017 at 01:02, Leonardo1

<samsonleonardkholowa@yahoo.com> wrote:

Yea Hello Peter, how you doing, I hope and pray that you are fine. Also Rob, Simon and Godfrey.

Samson is very fine, playing all the time, very active.

But he hasn't yet started school but after opening I will try my best he must start school, right now as I am writing to you he is beside me he has just seen ur pic and he is saying it's long time we saw uncle Peter ,idnt think he will ever forget you.

- Leonard Samson Kholowa (father of Samson)

Picture at left side: Samson at his home in Zambia. He was operated at Delhi on 12 August 2016 (There were 21 children from Zambia).

Children from Uganda will start to India (Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Kochi) for open heart surgery under GG No 1753747 "Rotary Gift of Life" on 6th August 2017. Rotary Club of Cochin Knights (President Rtn Vipin Nadakkal and Secretary Rtn Abraham Thomas) will coordinate the project locally. Rotary Club of Piravom Pampakuda River Valley will be the 2nd local Coordinating Club (President Rtn Jiji Kurian, Coordinator Rtn Eldho T Paul and Rtn James Onasseril). GOL salutes all members of RC Cochin Knights for their assistance.

The project partners are Rotary Club of Delhi East End RID 3012 (host), Rotary Club of Hoima-Kitara Uganda RID 9211 (Intl), Rotary Dist 3650 Korea (International), Rotary Dist 4560 (Brazil), Rotary Clubs of Udampur, Rajouri, Mandi, Gangtok South, Giridih (all from India), Sao Jose do Rio Preto Alvorada (Brazil), Algiers (New Orleans), Gift of Life New Jersey and Gift of Life International.

Rtn Esau Muhumuza is Intl primary project contact. Committee members are Rtn Moses Otim and Rtn Wilson Luberenga. Rtn AC Peter is Host primary project contact and Committee members are Rtn Renuka Jha Choudhary and Rtn Simmi. Advice and assistance were provided by Rtn Brenda. Lead Intl

The project advisors are Trustee, The Rotary Foundation, Rtn Sushil Gupta and Chief Executive Officer, Gift of Life International, Rtn Robert Raylman. Project is coordinated by Rtn Grace Agwaru (Uganda) and Rtn AC Peter (India).



1 Mariam Bbiire & Jovia Kyakimwa



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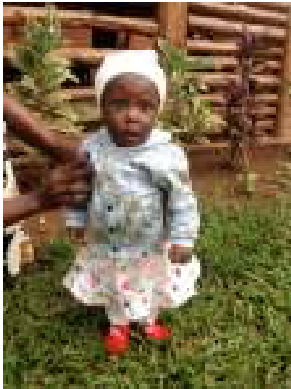
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9 Apili Vivian & Ogwal Francis



10 Benson Muheki & Evas Tushemereirwe



Children and parents are at briefing session in Uganda



With Rtns of Hoima-Kitara, Uganda

We salute Rtn Chong Won Lee, DRFC, PDG District 3650 Seoul, Korea for excellent support, advice and being the Intl project partner contact. Rotary Gift Life is indebted to Trustee, The Rotary Foundation, Rtn Young Suk Yoon (Korea) for this grant. We thank him for his blessings.



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**A part of the "Psalm of Life" by Henry
Wadsworth Longfellow best describes Sam
and his impact on us.**

**'Tell me not, in mournful numbers
Life is but an empty dream
For the soul is dead that slumbers
And things are not what the seem**

**Lives of great men all remind us. We can
make our lives sublime
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time**

**Our thoughts and prayers are with his loving
wife, Norah and the entire Owori family.
May his soul rest in Peace.**

- Jon Majiyagbe (PRIP)

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