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According to a report issued by the World Bank, more than 1.2 billion of the world's population lives in extreme poverty.

One-third of them live in sub-Saharan Africa.

A Buddhist monk, Master Hui-Li from a Taiwanese farming family, endowed with enlightenment early in life, practical training, and a strong constitution, answered the call of Grand Master Hsing-Yun in 1992 to travel to the African continent to spread Buddhist teachings. He spent 10 years setting up and running Nan Hua Buddhist Temple, the first Buddhist Temple and study center in South Africa. In 2001, he traveled deeper into sub-Saharan Africa to spread Buddhist compassion and love to an ever larger audience whose sufferings he now identified with and vowed to help. The travels took him to Tanzania, Chad, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Nigeria, Cameroon, Ghana, Congo, Liberia, Swaziland, and Lesotho among others.



He instantly recognized the plight and potential of orphans beset by ravages of diseases, environmental disasters, and civil wars. Amitofo Care Centre (ACC – a registered international NGO) in Malawi was the first project out of this devotion, which endeavored to house 600 orphans. In October 2005, construction of its first facilities was completed.. Backed by Chinese/Taiwanese communities everywhere, Master Hui-Li spent the next decade bringing aid and medicine, education, and Buddhist wisdom to all corners of the Dark Continent, while taking their orphans back to ACC. There the children enjoy health and basic comfort, freedom from fear and starvation, and proper education, which also includes Buddhist spiritual practice, Chinese cultural content and language, and a dose of Kong Fu. By popular demand, similar projects have been started in six countries. They were most anxiously anticipated in Malawi, Swaziland and Lesotho, where the schools and orphanages have been completed and the programs kicked off. The combined number of children served exceeds 6,000.



GOODWILL MISSION-2014



In 2007, ACC started taking groups of children out of Africa on semi-annual goodwill missions to visit countries whose Chinese communities and Buddhists sponsored the cause, stretching from Taiwan, China, most countries in Southeast Asia, Japan, to New Zealand and Australia, to enthusiastic reception. The trips help spread the message of amazing grace; showcase the children's skills and wellbeing; extend the group's gratitude to their supporters; and most importantly, provide an improbable success story that can be cherished by those that witness it.

This year's summer program spans nearly two months (June 18~August 27, 2014), which also features the group's first visit to North America. Stops will include San Francisco, Los Angeles, Orange County, Vancouver, Toronto, New York, Chicago, Washington D.C., Dallas, Houston and Miami. Master Hui-Li will lead 12 children and 8 staff members on a journey that will touch four continents. The group's lodging arrangement, production of the children's performances, coordination of local events, transportation needs, and extra-curricular programs are fully sponsored by reception committees at each locale, each has swung into action with a contingent of devoted volunteers.



Houston Performance & Contact Information
A: 8/2/2014 Saturday 6:30PM at TECO Culture Center-10303 Westoffice Dr. Houston 77042
B: 8/3/2014 Sunday 3:00PM at International Trade Center-11110 Bellaire Blvd. #200, Houston 77072
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