

Health Team Update 18th May 2005

This fortnights patients included...



Beautiful, bright eyed Tian Li – (3 ½ years)

Tian Li has Spina Bifida and a turned in left leg which means she has to walk on her ankle. This little girl was abandoned and taken in to live with a foster family. She hasn't been able to walk for three months because her ankle developed an ulcer and it became so badly infected that she was omitted to the health centre. Tian Li means *Heavenly Strength*. Her foster grandmother, a lovely lady who looks after eight abandoned

children with special needs, sings with her and is teaching her to truly rely on heavenly strength. Yesterday she was heard reciting three psalms very loudly. She will be treated here until the infection clears and the ulcer heals. Some micro cellular rubber (material for making soft mouldable shoes) needs to be purchased so that when she finishes treatment she will be able to walk without causing further damage. Please lift this precious girl up to her Father who knows and understands her needs.



Simon (5 ½ months)

Clubfoot is a congenital deformity in which one or both feet are often twisted inwards. Simon was born with bilateral clubfeet and is four weeks into the Ponseti treatment method, which requires gradual manipulation and re-alignment of the foot using plaster casts. Please remember him, as he needs a small operation on his Achilles tendons, allowing the feet to have normal mobility.



Sophie (12 months)

Sophie arrived recently with septicaemia from a breast abscess. Her condition was initially very serious, but she responded very well to surgery and

intravenous antibiotic treatment and has now returned to Hope Haven.



Baby of Carer

Recently a carer from Hope Haven had a seizure during labour. The baby was born but there was some evidence of mild brain injury. Please lift up this family, as they need heavenly intervention at this time.

Visitors to Health services Centre



It's been a busy fortnight with five international health professionals coming to see the health center and offer services to patients and staff.

These included Dr Wong (Oral Surgeon) and his son Jonathon from New Zealand, who is helping in the development of our mobile dental service.

We were very grateful to Bill Hoppe Psychiatrist and Member Care specialist who works for Cornerstone counseling centre in Chiangmai Thailand for his visit, which included clinical consultations, and a meeting about member care with people from a number of organisations.



We also hosted a team of three specialist in HIV / AIDS, with a view to potential future involvement in addressing China's massive HIV epidemic.

Thank you for your supporting thoughts,
The Healthcare team