

## DBL newsletter

UTi's Charitable Foundation— "Delivering Better Lives"

# Special Needs Home for Children in Chongqing China

After many months of work with various Organizations in China the Foundation can announce that they have launched a new project in Chongqing, China in partnership with the Chinese Government and a San Francisco based Charity named Half the Sky.

This project is designed to provide orphaned special needs children with homes that are not typical of the institutional care provided to these challenged children. The Chinese Government is providing an apartment building that will enable Half the Sky to appoint and manage the home parents who will each care for a group of 5 to 8 special needs children but in a home environment where they will receive the love and care necessary for them to develop and lead lives as normally as it is possible to do.

The Foundation role in this partnership is to fit out and furnish the apartments to create

homes – just like those we would all like to live in. The fit outs will be done with care and attention to creating a warm comforting environment.



The new special needs home—Chongqing

This project is going to make a huge difference to the lives of these children with three complementary partners working together in a new model, it is a very exciting development.

#### cause that is where I am going to spend the rest of my life.

I look to the future be-

George Burns

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## Manggahan Project Moving Ahead – Driven by the team from UTi Philippines



**Our Manila Team at work** 

In the last newsletter you will all have seen the announcement that the Foundation had agreed to support a Squatter Camp redevelopment project in Manila, in partnership with a local Charity Gawad Kalinga. The overall project involves the complete reconstruction of a squatter camp where some 600 families currently live. The Foundation funding is to construct one new home but most importantly to construct the Community Activity Centre which will become the focus on the community and provide an outlet for young and old alike in a variety of educational and leisure activities.

This project was commenced in August but over the past couple of weeks the UTi Team in the Philippines have spent their weekends hard at work demolishing and rebuilding new houses so that the area for the Activity Centre can be cleared and that work commenced.

These pictures show the team hard at work and demonstrate that we can all make a huge difference with a little time and compassion – Congratulations to the team in Manila for a great job.

# Foundation partner with our Valued Client BMS in Bikes for Africa Project



Each morning when I awake, I experience a supreme pleasure that of being

Salvador Dali BikeTown Africa commenced as a partnership between Bicycling Magazine, Rodale Press ,Bristol Myers Squibb and Kona Bicycle Company. The project donates bicycles to Healthcare workers in Africa particularly those involved in HIV/Aids related Healthcare. The project commenced in 2006 with the distribution of 200 bicycles donated to Healthcare workers in Botswana, in 2007 this grew to some 300 bicycles in Namibia and Senegal and in 2008 1000 bikes were distributed in South Africa, Swaziland and Mozambique.

UTi has provided Logistics support in partnership with our longstanding client BMS and this year the UTi Charitable Foundation has joined the partnership to enable over 750 bicycles to be distributed in South Africa and Tanzania.

The provision of a bicycle, which is owned by the recipient to create a greater responsibility, may seem a small thing but it has revolutionized the home health care workers role, increasing productivity and effectiveness and enabled them to increase their patient load fivefold. It allows the health workers to move around a see their patients and the community at large when otherwise their activities would be very limited.

This project will continue in 2010 under the guidance of the UTI BMS Team Ken Naylor. and Jayne Profeta and the UTi team in South Africa

# Floods devastate Manila but UTi team members safe

The devastating floods in Manila over the past week have been heavily reported on the news services globally. Every time we see a natural disaster our thoughts immediately turn to the UTi family members in the area of the disaster and we receive many messages of concern for our friends and colleagues.

While the floods have made life difficult for everyone in Manila this is especially so for five of the UTi team members who have lost all of the contents of their homes.

Our thoughts are with these families as we work to improve their situation.



### Foundation supports Cancer Hospice in Lima, Peru

Aldimi is another of the wonderful causes that we are introduced to, that are established by individuals who simply recognize a need and dedicate their lives to improving the quality of the lives of others.

Aldimi is a Cancer Hospice located adjacent to the only Cancer treatment hospital in Peru. Aldimi provides a home for the impoverished when they attend the hospital for treatment and do not have the financial resources to support themselves.

Patients are allowed to stay at Aldimi for the period of their treatment and may stay with one relative or guardian who assists with the cooking ,cleaning and care of the patient.

To date Aldimi has provided the services from rented properties that are inadequate for the role for which they are being used and which they now have to vacate.

A plan has been formulated to construct a new facility with donated funds on land donated by a benefactor for the specific purpose of building a Cancer Hospice. This facility is to be constructed and completed by early in 2010 and will now be completed with the Foundation support and assistance. We have agreed to provide the funds and work to build and outfit the children's dormitory at Aldimi.

We will have an ongoing relationship with Aldimi with Latam teams at UTi supporting the children's dormitory and its residents.

This is a heart warming cause and one where every resident is Delivered a Better Life through their stay regardless of their health challenges. There is an opportunity for anyone who is in Lima to assist at Aldimi and speaking from experience I know that anyone who volunteers at Aldimi will be richer for the experience.

### BENE Team Committed to the Mashitsi School Project in Burundi

The Bene team have a very close affinity to Burundi as it was a Belgian Colony for many years and still today the two Countries have very close links. UTi Burundi reports to Belgium and a few of our team members in Belgium have visited Burundi.

The Team in Bene committed to raising funds towards the new school and have been working hard with many activities to achieve this for some months now. They have a target to raise 50,000 Euros and as you can see are now half way to the target ,this is a phenomenal effort and proves that we can deliver when we set our mind to it.

Our thanks go out to everyone in the Bene team but specifically to the team driving this process:

The Steering Team Tony Ranson, Daniella Hamelink, Jasmin Hoogmolen and Inge Moreels and the Branch Representatives

ANR: Andy Verstepen and Nadia van Elsaker

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BRU: Cathy Versnaeyen

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iden

The school is due to commence construction in October and the work of the Bene team is a key factor in this achievement.





#### **UET In South Africa—More Successful everyday**

We have reported the work of the UET many times but wanted to give you a short update on the current successes of the Trust. We currently have 588 people studying on bursaries provided by the Trust and 22 graduates that have worked through and successfully completed their courses of study.

Like all programs there are some dropouts but the number is very low relative to the total bursaries allocated proving that the work of the UET is extremely valuable and that it really is Delivering Better Lives.

# The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge,

Vincent T Lombardi

but rather a

lack of will

### **A Project Roundup**

While the Foundation is involved in many projects around the world we will each month give you a summary of the current major projects as to list them all would take to long. So ,current major projects underway are :

- Mashitsi School, Burundi new primary school.
- La Chinca ,Colombia new vocational training centre and a new kitchen in this refuge for abused girls.
- Paranague City ,Philippines new Activity Centre and Housing
- Tsabalala Primary School ,South Africa major school development and renewal project.
- Chongqing ,China Special needs Orphans homes
- Bikes For Africa new Bicycles for healthcare workers
- Aldimi Cancer Hospice- Lima, Peru

# Education—How the foundation is Changing Lives

In 2008 the Foundation produced a Poster to enable all offices to show-case the overall role of the Foundation. We have now produced a new Poster focused on our work in Education and highlighting three specific projects. As we all know Education is an enabler to changing our lives and through the provision of Education facilities we aim to provide an environment in which children can grow and prosper where otherwise they may not have done so.

Keep your eye out for this Poster and make sure it is hung with pride.

#### UTi Charitable Foundation "Delivering Better Lives"



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Delivering Better Education
to disadvantaged children

The work of Delivering Better Lives is focused in four main areas. These are Education, Health, Community Infrastructure and Housing. Focus in these key areas allows us to Deliver Better Lives to young people - the future.

Education is the first of our target areas, we all remember from our own childhood that it was the impact of family first and school second that began the process of preparing us for our adult lives but also equipped us with many of the basic skills of life.

Unfortunately there are still many Countries in which UTi does business where a basic education is not available to all children.

We will and have already identified areas where new schools are required or where existing schools require upgrading or renovation, but need more.

Prek Ta Nong Pre Secondary

#### Tshabalala Primary School, South Africa



The Tshabalala school project was undertaken to provide an upgraded school to the community of Khatlehong Township. Over many years the school had become very run down, and the quality of

The project involved a major upgrade of classroom toilets and utility spaces. New furniture and teachin materials. Heating was provided to rooms, kitch facilities upgraded and a garden created to enall vegetables to be grown to be used in feeding toilities lunch.

Mashitsi Elementary School, Burundi



This school is being built at Mashitsi Township in Eastern Burundi around 300 kilometres east of the capital city, Bujumbura. Burundi is one of the poorest countries in the world and has suffere

nere are some south people and sold elementary school age children in the village and no school.

This project will involve the construction and outfitting of a six room Elementary School. The project is in partnership with the local community.



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ggest a Country or School where we could help
Contact: Glenn Mills

#### Man in the Mirror

"Much has been written and spoken about Michael Jackson in life and in death but one cannot help but be drawn to the words of his song 'Man in the Mirror'. I took a quick peak in the Mirror while listening to the song and took time to reflect on how I live and approach others. I felt some of the words were worth sharing here with you."

I'm gonna make a change, for once in my life It's gonna feel real good, gonna make a difference Gonna make it right...

As I, turn up the collar on my favorite winter coat
This wind is blowin' my mind
I see the kids in the street, with not enough to eat
Who am I, to be blind? Pretending not to see their needs
A summer's disregard, a broken bottle top
And a one man's soul
They follow each other on the wind ya' know
'Cause they got nowhere to go
That's why I want you to know

I'm starting with the man in the mirror I'm asking him to change his ways And no message could have been any clearer If you wanna make the world a better place

I've been a victim of a selfish kind of love
It's time that I realize
That there are some with no home, not a nickel to loan
Could it be really me, pretending that they're not alone?

A willow deeply scarred, somebody's broken heart
And a washed-out dream
They follow the pattern of the wind, ya' see
Cause they got no place to be
That's why I'm starting with me

 $I^{\prime}m$  starting with the man in the mirror

I'm asking him to change his ways

And no message could have been any clearer
If you wanna make the world a better place
(If you wanna make the world a better place)
Take a look at yourself and then make a change
(Take a look at yourself and then make a change)

I'm starting with the man in the mirror

I'm asking him to change his ways

And no message could've been any clearer If you wanna make the world a better place (If you wanna make the world a better place) Take a look at yourself and then make that... (Take a look at yourself and then make that...)

Change!

I'm starting with the man in the mirror,

I'm asking him to change his ways
(Better change!)
No message could have been any clearer

(You gotta get it right, while you got the time)
 ('Cause when you close your heart)
 You can't close your... your mind!
 (Then you close your... mind!)
That man, that man, that man, that man
 With that man in the mirror
 (Man in the mirror, oh yeah!)
 That man, that man, that man
 I'm asking him to change his ways
 (Better change!)
 You know... That man
No message could have been any clearer
If you wanna make the world a better place

I'm gonna make a change
It's gonna feel real good!
Come on!
Just lift yourself
You know
You've got to stop it. Yourself!
(Yeah!-Make that change!)
I've got to make that change, today!

Gonna feel real good now!

(Man in the mirror)
You got to
You got to not let yourself...
Brother...

(Yeah!-Make that change!)
You know-I've got to get that man, that man...
(Man in the mirror)
You've got to
You've got to move! Come on! Come on!
You got to...
Stand up! Stand up! Stand up!
(Yeah-Make That Change)
Stand up and lift yourself, now!
(Man in the mirror)
(Yeah-Make that change)
Gonna make that change... come on!
(Man in the mirror)





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"Thank you to everyone who contributed to this Edition of the DBL Newsletter "

# EDUCATION HEALTH HOUSING COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

... THINGS MOST OF US TAKE FOR GRANTED BUT WHICH ARE NOT AVAILABLE IN MANY IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

THIS IS THE FIELD IN WHICH DBL WORKS

JOIN US IN OUR QUEST TO DELIVER BETTER LIVES TO THE CHILDREN OF TODAY AND TOMORROW