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NEWSLETTER

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CURRENT SITUATION IN SRI LANKA:

Sister Amatha has informed us that the situation in Sri Lanka is becoming more difficult and alarming every day. There is a shortage of food, fuel and medicines. There are also increasing shortages in hospitals. More and more edibles are only available on rations. People wait in queues to buy food and fuel. Due to high fuel and energy prices, power supplies across the country are shut down for hours every day. People can also only withdraw a small amount of money from their account per day.

Due to the fuel shortage, Sister Amatha is also unable to visit the homes as regularly as she would like.



Exams have been postponed because the government has no money to buy paper and the ink for the printers. Everyone is afraid that the schools will be shut down again. Where is this all going to lead to??

Despite the great concerns, they are grateful that everyone is healthy. The problems in the country are also discussed with the children, so that they understand why certain things are not possible and that they have to be thrifty.

It is important that the children themselves are aware of the situation in the country. The sisters try to buy as much storable food as possible in bulk. Sister Amatha wanted to purchase a generator, but that will make no difference because there is no petroleum available to operate it. And solar panels are not affordable.



DAILY LIFE:

Fortunately, there are also positive things to mention. Birthdays are celebrated, songs are sung together and of course they dance quite a lot. Which are nice and good compensations. Fortunately, they are now allowed to go to school again. When the children come home, they first eat and do their homework. After that, household chores are done (for instance matting chairs) or working in the garden and of course there is always time for playing and having fun.



ASSISTANCE:

The girls had been taken to a sporting event in the van. But they ran out of gas and were unable to find gas anywhere. Some nice people then offered them a ride home. All together in a small truck!



INDEPENDENCE DAY:

On February 4th, Independence Day was celebrated. The sisters had decorated the outside nicely. Games were played and there was something delicious for everyone to enjoy. The children wore traditional clothes. The day started with the raising of the flag of Sri Lanka.



ANJANA AND KUMARI 21 YEARS:

Anjana was the first girl sister Amatha took into her care after the tsunami. She was then 1 year and 3 months old and she had lost her father, mother, brother and sister. She has been very well taken care of and raised with love. She has been trained as a nurse and she is now training for a diploma in the beauty culture. After that, she wants to look for a job. She is very grateful to the sisters for all the love and care. The sisters and the girls are her family now!

Kumari was 10 years old when she was taken into care by sister Amatha. She still has a seriously ill father, but she has no contact with him. After graduating from school, she started working in a home for the homeless elderly, where she also lives. It is close to the home in Kelaniya and she still has a lot of contact with the girls and the sisters. In addition to lodging and care, she receives a small allowance for her work, which is put into a savings account.

It's nice to see how the girls have developed into beautiful, sweet, nice young women. Their education allows them to look for a job and take care of themselves in the future! We are grateful and happy that with your help we can offer these girls a better future!



It's allowed again!
Would you like to know more about the children in the orphanages and beautiful Sri Lanka?
We would be happy to show you our Power Point Presentation!
Thank you!

We are pleased and grateful that various churches in the region South Beveland in Zeeland, The Netherlands have donated the proceeds of the campaign to aid the needy in development countries to our foundation!



With kind regards, the board:

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Our four childrens' homes
are situated in:

 Pamunugama

 Katupotha

 Kelaniya

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