



Could anyone use some good news? Look no further (but please do read on), 'cuz Dr. Sharon has plenty to share!

Christmas in Lebanon



December 25th is special nearly everywhere in the world. While a few nations still don't recognize it as an official holiday, almost everyone know it's Christmas. And, during this holiday season even the most closed countries are open to celebrating Jesus' birthday and learning about the greatest gift of all.



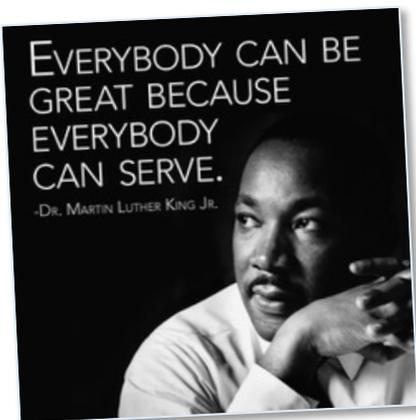
Your generosity is allowing GoHawaii to partner with Together For the Family (TFF) and Global Hope Network International (GHNI) to deck the halls and make the season jolly for hundreds of refugees in Lebanon. We are warming them with blankets, filling their bellies with treats, surprising them with toys, and sharing the glad tidings of a God who so loved the world He gave His only Son.

Building Great Men

I wept for the Beqaa Valley refugees as I learned about their beliefs. The women feel inferior, the men superior. Thus, everyone ends up feeling miserable. While many focus on the plight of oppressed women and girls, few consider how to grow young boys into good men. As birds need two wings to fly, all cultures need both women who are empowered and men who are great in order to soar.



GoHawaii, TFF, and GHNI started The Boys' Club, a monthly mentorship program, to train boys to value women, children, and themselves.



YPK Keyhole Garden and Urban Agriculture Projects



Fresh, organic vegetables for sale!

At the Yayasan Pondok Kasih (YPK), The House of Love, One-Stop Training Center in Indonesia, our staff have been hard at work farming to provide food for their families and to sell. Please pray that their model urban agriculture projects will inspire others so they can help many especially during this COVID-19 pandemic.



The YPK Community Education team (R to L: Artur, Robert, Rahma, Sarah, Lilik, Elisa, Meity, Anita) and Community Development head, Andres, pose in front of their Keyhole and Container Garden.



Edible red ginger for herbal remedies and konjac (used for making healthy konnyaku jelly)

We are eagerly anticipating a good YPK Red Ginger harvest and sale this month. Lord-willing, GoHawaii will recover then flip our initial investment into the expanded YPK Red Ginger and Konjac projects. Both crops have nearly unlimited market potential and the process of farming will be used by Andres to mentor staff and the poor to holistic health and independence.

Uncle Hal



One of the most successful, generous, and visionary men I've ever known was suddenly snatched from us to the Lord when Uncle Hal passed away on October 27th. I can't even begin to count the number of times I've heard him say, "Sharon, Lana and I would like to invite you to..." then found myself in the middle of the greatest adventures, in the least likely of places, with the most incredible people.



Kehaulani, Lana, Aaron, Noelani, and Adam at Uncle Hal's Burial

Pray for Hal's family and GHNI as they navigate through this season of sorrow and transition.



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