



NEWS

PROJECT FUNDS UPDATE

(As of February 28, 2023)

2nd Floor Girls' Dorm:

\$8,701 raised to date

Darabashil Village School Building Project:

\$27,965 raised to date

Special Village School Needs: FULLY FUNDED. THANK YOU

Furnishing Girls' Dorm:

\$567 Raised to date

Furnishing MPB:

\$513 raised to date

**THANK YOU SO MUCH
FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND
FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience."
Colossians 3:12

Bangla Hope Blessed with Little Ones By Debi Axford

For approximately two decades, Bangla Hope has been caring for children who either did not have parents, or whose parent/s could not provide the care the children needed. We have nurtured these little ones through the phases of childhood, and have been and continue to be blessed to be part of their lives.

Some of our first kids are off to college, and our love and blessing go with them. As we watch many of our first kids head into the world of academia, we are once again entrusted with the care of many new little ones. They bring such joy and sweet smiles to our campus home. Let me introduce them to you.



Epafra Marandi:

Little Epafra had a very difficult start in life. Three months after his birth, his mother died while on her way to the hospital. There were no relatives who could step in to take care of Epafra while the father worked. Bangla Hope has taken him into our family and into our hearts. Now all he needs is a sponsor.



Shawn Sircar:

Shawn's mother was a teenager during the COVID-19 pandemic. Schools were closed, leaving the youth with too much free time. When she became pregnant she decided to relinquish her baby to Bangla Hope. All he needs now is a sponsor.



Archona Kisku:

Archona's brilliant smile belies the loss and sadness that has colored the life of this precious tyke. She was born into the home of two loving parents, but her father passed suddenly in his sleep. Left as the sole provider of the family, the mother did the only thing she could. She entrusted her child into our care. She has the care she needs and all the attention she could desire, but she only lacks a sponsor to assist her as she grows.

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When a student begins the 9th grade in Bangladesh, they must decide which track of study they wish to pursue. They can choose the science track (if their grades are high enough), commerce or arts. The science track affords the student the greatest flexibility in choosing their college courses and career path while the arts track gives them the fewest options. Those choosing the science track usually are interested in medicine or engineering. However, finding good math and science teachers in Bangladesh is extremely difficult.

The highly qualified math and science instructors find tutoring students from wealthy families much more lucrative than teaching in a classroom. This makes it very hard for those on the science track to prepare well for their exams. The following is a list of our students who recently took their HSC (12th grade) and SSC (10th grade) government exams:

HSC Results:

Brittany Bala	Commerce	4.33 GPA
Kakoli Bala	Arts	3.58 GPA
Kathi Joydhor	Arts	4.00 GPA
Kara Mondol	Arts	3.75 GPA
Sheba Biswas	Arts	3.42 GPA
Marjorie Mankhin	Science	Failed Chemistry

Marjorie's problem is not due to **her** failure but that of the school. She was the only student in her class studying science. Marjorie is a studious, brilliant student who, although promised tutoring by the school, did not receive it. We are now preparing for her to retake her exam in the next few months. We congratulate all the successful students and we ask that you please pray for Marjorie as she prepares to retake her

SSC Results:

Rumi Biswas	Science	5.00 GPA
Lacey Bala	Science	4.00 GPA
Jessica Talukder	Science	4.06 GPA
Anne Maree Baroi	Science	3.89 GPA
Andrew Baum	Science	4.50 GPA
Joni Halder	Science	4.22 GPA
Barthalamew Bala	Commerce	3.06 GPA
Brent Baroi	Commerce	4.06 GPA
Luke Mondol	Commerce	4.89 GPA
Michael Talukder	Commerce	3.83 GPA
Sharmi Das	Science	Failed
Suzanna Baroi	Science	Failed
Megan Sikder	Commerce	Failed
Tammy Biswas	Commerce	Failed

Huge congratulations to Rumi who scored a perfect 5.00 GPA and to all of the successful students who will be moving on to grade 11. Sharmi, Suzanna, Megan and Tammy failed in one subject and will be required to retake the exam in a few short months.

Thank you for your faithful support of our kids. Your partnership with us has helped make these accomplishments possible. Please keep our students in your prayers

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Village School Students

Village School students receive tuition, books, supplies, and a uniform. You will receive a photo of your sponsored student, a name, grade level and perhaps a little personal information as available. The tuition rate is \$20 per month. If you wish to sponsor a student, you may call us at (509) 586-4259 or go to our website at www.banglahope.org.



Sourov Bormon
Gohara Village School



Dipannita Bormon
Gohara Village School

BH Blessed with Little Ones (Cont. from page 1)

Sushanto never knew his father who abandoned the family when he was very little. It was later learned that the father had another family elsewhere. Without income or support, the mother gave her boy into our care. He is a happy little boy who is doing well in his new home. But, he will need the love and support of a sponsor as he grows.



Sushanto Murmu:



Simon Kisku:

Simon comes from a very sad home life. His father struggles with alcohol addiction, and his mother suffers from a mental condition. Both of the parents have demonstrated they are

not able to properly raise Simon. Their first child died due to neglect. When Simon was born, his mother returned to the home of her parents for support in raising her baby. Her parents wanted to help very much, but were not able to take on this role. The grandparents brought Simon to us where he has been embraced by the entire BH family. An important part of his story will be finding a sponsor.

Through the Wilderness By Robyn Griffin

What a reassurance it must have been for Moses to see the pillar of cloud that led their way through the wilderness. We are often tempted to wonder why divine guidance is not that easy or apparent today. But it is, provided we are in tune with God, and follow as He directs.

Many of you remember Melanie Madhu. If so, you will recall that she has always wanted to be a doctor. Last spring and most of the summer, Melanie studied in preparation to take the NEET exam for entrance into med school in India. Her exam



Melanie Madhu

results were not as good as she had hoped, and it caused some discouragement. Melanie then decided it must mean that she should change her course of study from medicine to nursing.

Melanie enrolled in an Adventist nursing school in India. But that transition only clarified for her that she was not meant to be a nurse. I challenged Melanie to take the Sabbath hours to fast and pray for divine guidance. She followed my direction, and felt certain that she should never have allowed herself to be discouraged.

It came to our attention that several students in India went to study medicine at one of the leading medical universities in the Phillipines. If we decide that this is the right college for her, she would take pre-med classes for 14 months, receive a BS in biology, and then move right into a four-year medical program. Though Melanie has been accepted into their program, we are gathering as much information as possible to ensure this is the right place for her.

The pre-med course would cost \$12,000. Then of course, the cost of the medical school. Melanie is the first of what appears to be many students who are hungering to follow the same path. To make this happen for our young people, we will need our supporters to partner with us.

If the Holy Spirit speaks to your hearts regarding this, please consider donating to the Medical Education Fund. Thank you!!

Major Milestone for Beverly Waid



Anyone who knows our co-founder Beverly Waid knows that she is perennially young at heart. Yet, she has a major milestone approaching, her 80th birthday. We do not want it to pass without acknowledging it.

Happy 80th birthday Beverly!!!!

We Will Soon say “Ta ta” to the Tata

By Robyn Griffin

Our small pickup truck, the Tata (manufactured by Tata) has been having major issues. Practically every time it leaves the campus, it ends up breaking down. It seems to spend more time in the repair shop than it does on the road. The Tata is used multiple times daily carrying passengers and picking up groceries and merchandise from surrounding towns. The pickup joined us in 2014 and has faithfully been serving our campus since then. However, it has become clear to us that it is on the way out. Replacing the little diesel truck will cost approximately \$25,000 including tax, licensing, registration and value added tax.

If your heart is moved by the Holy Spirit regarding this need, please mark your donation “New Truck”. Thank you so much for your continued support.



Bangla Hope students returning to SAMS boarding school after a break

Homes for the Needy

By Robyn Griffin

What a privilege it has been helping provide homes for those without one. Your generosity has provided the funds to make this possible.

Kalpona and Shokta found themselves without a house. They had sold their extremely modest house to pay the dowry for their daughter. They believed



Kalpona on her land

it was their daughter's only hope for a secure future. They were certain that they could save enough to replace their home. In the meantime, they lived in a lean-to attached to the house of a relative. It was at this point that COVID-19 came on the scene, and many people lost their jobs.

After the pandemic subsided, both Kalpona and Shokta were able to find modest employment. But the meager income they make together would make buying a new home very difficult. To build them a one-room brick house would cost \$4,500.

If you are impressed to contribute to this cause, please mark your donations “Homes for the Needy”. Thank you.

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Student name and ID number

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Upozila-Panchbibi,

District -Joypurhat

Bangladesh

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Kelsey Berreth

By Darrel and Cheryl Berreth

Pauline Woodard

By Wendy Stumph (Daughter)

Larry Joy

Gary Holland

Steven Vanderfeldt

By Bev Holland

Leonard Squier

By Floyd & Nancy Sippel

Rosalie Fried

By Kay Sorensen

Ken & Cindi Wright

Nancy Teale

Thank you