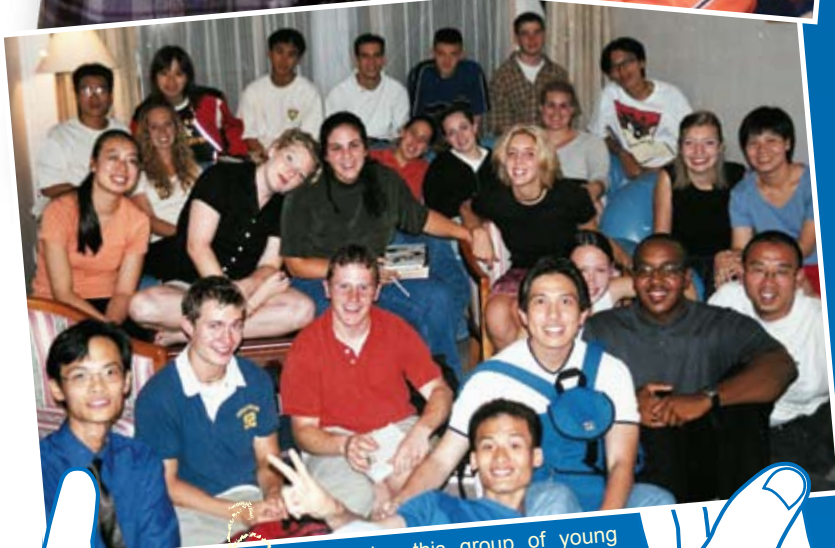
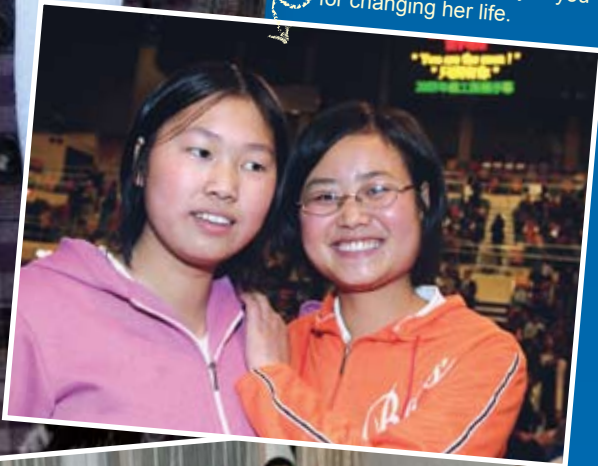


# How One Decision Changed a Life



Xiao Fang is now teaching at the Yancheng Institute of Technology after receiving her master's degree.

In 2002, Gong Xiao Fang (right) came to Hong Kong to share and thank many of you for changing her life.



The decision this group of young people made saved a young girl's life and changed her future.

This story began in 2000.

That summer, we brought a team of college students from the United States to Zhangjiajie, a then little-known, scenic village in the western part of Hunan Province.

The volunteers were to hold a two-week English summer camp for the students at the Zhangjiajie National Middle School. Here is an excerpt from an old journal entry by one of the participants.

*August 1, 2000:*

*We saved a girl today. We learned from the school notice board that there was an urgent need for money to help a student at the school. Her name was Xiao Fang. 13 years old. She has meningitis, and 3000RMB was requested by the hospital for her treatment. As soon as I told everyone, they started to donate money...In the end, we raised 3350RMB for her. Xiao Fang's parents were moved to tears.*

Xiao Fang eventually recovered from her illness. HOPE worldwide went on to sponsor the rest of her high school education.

In 2009, we received an email from Gong Xiao Fang. She said,

*"I have just finished my graduate study. I am now teaching at the Yancheng Institute of Technology in Jiangsu Province. I really like my job...I think about where I have come from, a girl from the remote rural part of China. I will never forget the selfless help you gave to me. I think about it often. I hope that one day, I will be like you, doing whatever I can to help others, to give back to the society."*

According to the World Bank, a high school education for the adult working members virtually guarantees a household's exit out of poverty. Xiao Fang has gone far beyond a high school education. Her life and future have truly changed.

This 2009 annual report is dedicated to that group of college students, wherever they may be, and to you, our volunteers and donors. When you decided to extend your kindness and generosity in 2009, or in 2000, be it a donation, volunteering, or even just telling others about us, that one decision is making an immediate difference and a life-long impact.

Just ask Xiao Fang.

# Message from the Country Director

Dear Friends,

In 2009, we are seeing the fruit from initiatives begun by faith in 2008.

Our Character Success Education Programme took a step forward when we completed the curriculum and lesson plans. Now not only can our staff conduct these lessons, but with a little preparation, our volunteers can do it too. This allows us to multiply our efforts as we instill the six pillars of character in more of the children we work with.

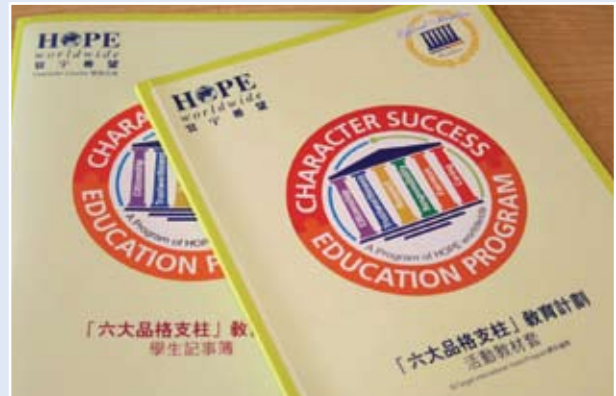
Two HOPE *worldwide* Centres for Kids were opened in two migrant schools in Kunming. These centres now serve 1,400 migrant children. The children receive basic health check-ups, have access to a small library, and learn computer skills. On Saturdays, volunteers from local universities conduct character training classes using the lesson plans we have developed.



"We are going to School!" Thank you for bringing hope to these children in the earthquake-affected area in Sichuan.



Dan Liu rejoined HOPE *worldwide* in Hong Kong as Country Director after three years in Cambodia.



Completion of the Character Success Programme Curriculum lets us multiply our efforts when working with kids.



Two HOPE *worldwide* Centres for Kids in Kunming serve 1,400 migrant children.

Thanks to many generous donors, we completed the construction of a kindergarten in Zhao Yang Village in An County in Sichuan, site of the May 2008 earthquake. I celebrated the opening with the 160 children of the school in October 2009. Seeing the love and resilience of the teachers and children made my work that much more meaningful.

We are encouraged to see the progress of the "Friends of HOPE" campaign. Thank you for entrusting us with your hard-earned dollars to bring hope to those who desperately need it. Regardless of the amount, your decision to give is bringing life-altering impact to many in Hong Kong and China.

With gratitude to our Board I returned to HOPE *worldwide* in September 2009 after my tour of duty as Director of the Sihanouk Hospital Centre of HOPE in Cambodia, now as Country Director. Over the past three years Jonathan Liu has served admirably leading the organization. I thank him for that and for his service as he continues in the role as Executive Director.

I hope you will be encouraged by seeing the impact you are making through this annual report.

# Accomplishments

In 2009, with a staff of 19, we impacted over 19,000 children, youth, and elderly in Hong Kong and China. We could not have accomplished this without you, our dedicated volunteers and generous donors. Your decision to give your time, talent, money, or simply your heart has impacted thousands of poor and needy. Here is a review of the impact you have made.

## Impact in Hong Kong

**Seniors** - In 2009, over 2,000 elderly living in public housing estates, most of them single elderly, were reached through the Seniors Programme. You showed that they were cared for and concerned about through your visits and phone calls. You prevented some of them from needing medical attention by educating them about fall prevention and assessing their risk for falls. Through your giving and service, you have built a more caring and harmonious Hong Kong.



Close to 2,000 elderly were reached through our Seniors Programme in 2009. One very important element of the programme was fall prevention.

**Children** – Through the HOPE *worldwide* Centre for Kids in Shek Kip Mei, the underprivileged children of Hong Kong learned better ways to study, improved in school, broadened their horizons, and learned that good character truly matters in life. Thanks to you, we served 1,312 kids through various activities and events in 2009.



Members of the HOPE *worldwide* Centre for Kids enjoyed activities that broadened their horizons and enriched their experiences.

Your impact in China in 2009: over 2,100 rural and migrant children received another year of education.



Our corporate partnerships aren't only about financial donations. Their staff stay engaged through volunteering.

**Youth** – The Citi Success Fund Programme gave out mini grants to 73 programmes designed and implemented by 75 teachers and social workers who cared deeply about the well-being of our youth. Because of this, in 2009, 10,740 more youth discovered their confidence and motivation to learn. Some gained financial knowledge. Some even changed their erring ways. All are marching to a brighter future.



Through the Citi Success Fund Programme, 10,740 young people discovered their talent and confidence.

## Impact in China

**Children and Youth** – The greatest impact you made in China was that 1,726 poor students in the rural areas of 4 provinces and 450 migrant children in 2 cities received another year of education. Your generous support also allowed us to begin two HOPE *worldwide* Centres for Kids in Kunming, serving 1,400 students. Furthermore, 17 months after the devastating earthquake in Sichuan, 160 children in Zhao Yang Village, An County, are learning and playing in their brand new school.



# Financials

We are happy to report that total income for 2009 was over HK\$9 million. Individual donations increased by over HK\$1 million compared to 2008.

On the expenses side, under a new category "Fundraising and public education", we devoted resources to building long-term sustainability through the "Friends of HOPE" campaign. The resources devoted to acquiring supporters can be compared to a form of investment. The returns on investment to HOPE *worldwide* are (1) increased income over time, (2) long-term organizational sustainability, (3) greater public awareness of the needs of the poor and the programmes of HOPE *worldwide*, and (4) increased volunteer base.

At HOPE *worldwide*, we believe that every dollar that comes in and goes out is a form of investment. When you give us a donation and then that donation is spent on programmes that meet the needs of children and seniors in Hong Kong and China, you are investing in the creation of a caring society and all of our future. When that money is spent on running the organization, you are investing in sound management and the stability of the organization that will be around for many years to continue to bring hope and change lives.

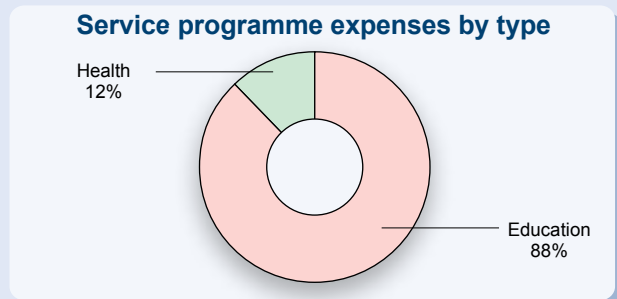
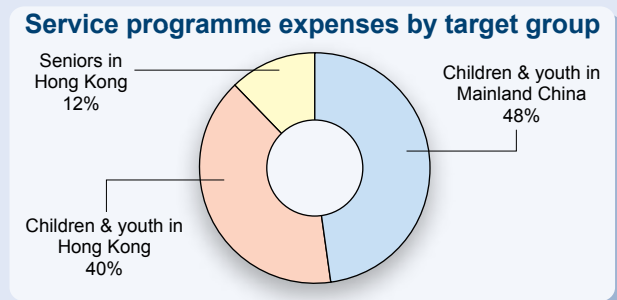
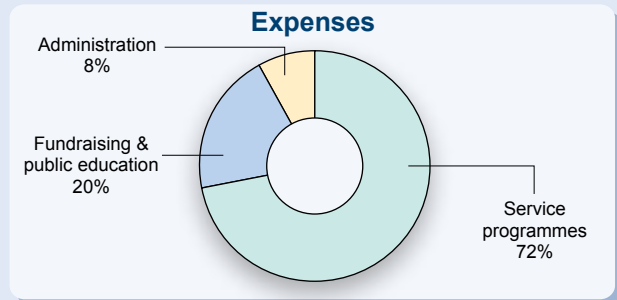
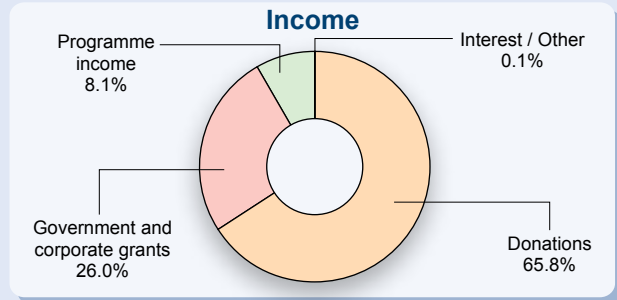
Thank you for investing in our collective future!

## HOPE *worldwide* (Hong Kong) 2009 Financial Statements

<b>Income</b>	<b>HK\$</b>
Donations	5,948,677
Government and corporate grants	2,350,056
Programme income	735,093
Interest / Other	11,774
	<u>9,045,600</u>

<b>Use of Income</b>	
Service programmes	6,184,259
Administration	667,568
Fundraising and public education	1,759,963
	<u>8,611,790</u>

Surplus	433,810
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The financial information provided herein has been derived from our 2009 financial statements that have been audited by Heng & Tan, Certified Public Accountants.

A copy of the report of the auditor 2009 is available upon request.

## Board of Directors & Executive Staff

### HOPE *worldwide* (Hong Kong)

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**David Yau-wing Chung**  
Programme Director

**Emily Wai-bik Wong**  
Financial Manager

Beginning Sept. 1, 2009

# Special Profiles

## Carson and Friends

What keeps bloggers together? Carson Lai and his friends not only love blogging but also share a passion for volunteering and making this world a better place.

Carson found out about us in 2007 through a fall prevention roadshow poster in the MTR. He said what caught his attention were the words, "training provided". Since then, "Carson and Friends" has been an active part of our Seniors Programme.

*"What I appreciate about working with your organization is that you provide a lot of strong support for volunteers. You provide training and detailed briefing to us before all the serving activities. In fact, we take that knowledge and put it in a database we are building. We use it when we serve in other places where not as much volunteer training is provided. You are helping us with the skill transfer so that more people know how to volunteer."*

*I also appreciate that we have a healthy two-way relationship. You are very open to our feedback and suggestions."*

What was Carson's most memorable experience while serving the elderly?

*"I remember visiting a single 90 year-old woman during a Volunteers for Seniors Day. I noticed a piece of paper taped to the middle of her wall in her home. I looked closely and it was a letter authorizing an organization to take care of things for her after she passes, like donating her money away, what to do with her things, etc. I was very surprised because people don't talk about death so openly. We asked her and she shared that she did the authorization because she had never married and so had no family. She felt that it was important to take care of things after she dies,*

*such as informing the Housing Authority, so they can give the flat to the next elderly person who needs it as soon as possible. I have never met anyone who faced death with such a positive attitude."*

Carson believes that volunteers bring positive energy to the elderly, helping them feel useful as they recount stories from their past. We are very grateful to this group of energetic and passionate volunteers. They bring encouragement and hope to countless seniors in our communities.



Carson: "What I appreciate about working with HOPE worldwide is that you provide a lot of strong support for volunteers."

Carson and Friends consistently brings positive energy to the elderly by volunteering in our Seniors Programme.



## Hong Kong Church of Christ



Begun by members of the Hong Kong Church of Christ (HKCOC) 17 years ago, HOPE worldwide (Hww) traces its roots to Biblical convictions, specifically with regard to loving and helping those in need. The church has been a long-term partner who has given us strong financial and volunteer support. The church was awarded for volunteering over 10,000 hours in 2009.

Full-time staff Hiu Sheung Mak talks about our partnership from the church's perspective.

Hww: How does this partnership benefit the church and how does it contribute to the society?

HKCOC: HOPE worldwide gives us the channel to touch the needy and gives the Christians the opportunity to use their talents to help the community.

*You have pioneered many unique programmes. For example, back in the mid 1990's, you were one of the first to organize cleaning and refurbishing elderly's homes on a large scale and one of the first to focus on serving new immigrant children from China. Now many organizations have similar activities and services. You started a "trend" that resulted in benefit for a lot more people.*

Hww: Tell us a memorable volunteering experience.

HKCOC: *For me, it happened in 1995, when we first started to volunteer. That summer, we went to serve the new immigrant children in a temporary housing area in Tseung Kwan O. You know all the new development you see in Tseung Kwan O today? It was temporary housing in the mid- 90's. I helped organize a big brother/big sister programme for the kids living there. Different volunteers went there every weekend. We tutored the kids. We read with the kids. We played games with them. At the end of the summer, we held a carnival. That day, it rained cats and dogs. But the most amazing thing was that ALL the kids came out. We spent the day playing in the rain. We ended the carnival with a song. Everyone was crying while we were singing. No one wanted to go home. It was a very moving moment.*

*I think serving the new immigrant kids really helped them get integrated into the society. We felt like we were building Hong Kong together.*

Hww: How did it feel to receive the 10,000 hour award?

HKCOC: *I felt really proud of the church. I believe by volunteering, we are not just helping people. We are bringing them hope.*

Our long-term partner, the Hong Kong Church of Christ, was awarded for volunteering over 10,000 hours in 2009.



# Thank You !

## Major Partners



Citi Foundation



香港房屋委員會  
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## Community Partners

- Alliance Primary School (Tai Hang Tung)
- Asbury Methodist Social Service Yat Kwai Integrated Development Centre
- Asian Outreach Hong Kong Ltd Island Harbourview Elderly Club
- Caritas Cheng Shing Fung District Elderly Centre (Shamshuipo)
- Carson & Friends
- Chinese University of Hong Kong United College Kwai Ching Lion's Club
- Choi Hung Estate Social Service Association
- The Church of Christ in China Ming Yin College
- CNEC Kei Shek Church
- Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology of the Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Education Bureau School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes
- Holy Trinity College
- The Hong Kong Buddhist Association Buddhist Ching Hang Neighbourhood Elderly Centre
- Hong Kong Shue Yan University Community Service Team
- Hopkins Management Group Limited
- Housing Society Elderly Resources Centre
- Hui Hoy & Chow Sin Lan Charity Fund Limited
- The Incorporated Management Committee of HKMA David Li Kwok Po College
- International Management Association
- Lai King Estate Residents Association
- Leisure and Cultural Services Department
- Lions Clubs International Ho Tak Sum Primary School
- Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School
- Macau International Church of Christ
- Maryknoll Secondary School
- NAAC Sham Shui Po District Elderly Community Centre
- NAAC Tuen Mun District Integrated Services for the Elderly
- REMAD Foundation Limited
- SAGE Tsuen Kwai Tsing Integrated Home Care Services
- Shamshuipo Kaifong Welfare Association Primary School
- Shun Tak Fraternal Association Cheng Yu Tung Secondary School
- Sik Sik Yuen Ho Kin District Community Centre for Senior Citizens
- Sik Sik Yuen Ho Tai Neighbourhood Centre for Senior Citizens
- Social Welfare Department Family and Child Protective Services Unit (West Kowloon)
- Society for Community Organization
- St. James' Settlement
- TWGHs Mr & Mrs Kwong Sik Kwan College

- TWGHs Wilson T. S. Wang District Elderly Community Centre
- TWGHs Wong Fut Nam College
- Yew Chung International School
- YMCA - Women Affairs Team

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- Citi
- Disney ABC Television Ltd.
- Fountain Set (Holdings) Limited
- General Electric International Inc.
- Japan Airlines International Co. Ltd.
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- Monforts Fong's Textile Machinery Co. Ltd.
- Pressfield Company Limited
- Sino Group
- State Street Bank and Trust Co.
- Target Sourcing Services Hong Kong Limited
- Tiger Balm
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- Western Union Foundation
- Yummy Piggy

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- Dr. Choi Yuen-wan Philemon, Member of Executive Committee, Commission on Strategic Development
- Mr. Fung Man-lok, Social Welfare Department
- Mr. Hui Chin-yim Stephen, Director of Education Services, The Hong Kong Council of the Church of Christ in China
- Ms. Jacqueline Law
- Dr. Leong Che-hung, Chairman of the Elderly Commission

## Other Partners

- Gansu Provincial Education Bureau
- Education Bureau, Huiling County, Gansu Province
- Hunan Provincial Education Bureau
- Zhangjiajie National Middle School, Hunan Province
- Shaanxi Provincial Education Bureau
- Education Bureau, Xunyi County, Shaanxi Province
- Yunnan Provincial Education Bureau
- Education Bureau, Yuanyang County, Yunnan Province

## One More Thing (it's not hard, we promise)

We are deeply grateful to you who supported us in 2009 and in the years past. You made happen all that we talked about in this report. Your one decision to donate and/or to volunteer has filled the world with lots more hope and changed lives. We salute you.

Now we ask you to do one more thing (if you are not already)...

- Consider volunteering with us. Serving directly makes your support that much more meaningful.
- Consider becoming a monthly donor. This helps us cut down on our fundraising and administrative costs over the long run.
- Tell others about us. Tell them why you have chosen to support us. Pass on this annual report to your friends. Refer them to our website and Facebook page ([www.hopeww.org.hk](http://www.hopeww.org.hk), [www.facebook.com/hopewwhk](http://www.facebook.com/hopewwhk)), or write us an email and tell us whom we should contact ([ellexaliu@hopeww.org.hk](mailto:ellexaliu@hopeww.org.hk)).

Together, we can bring more hope and change more lives in 2010 and beyond.



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