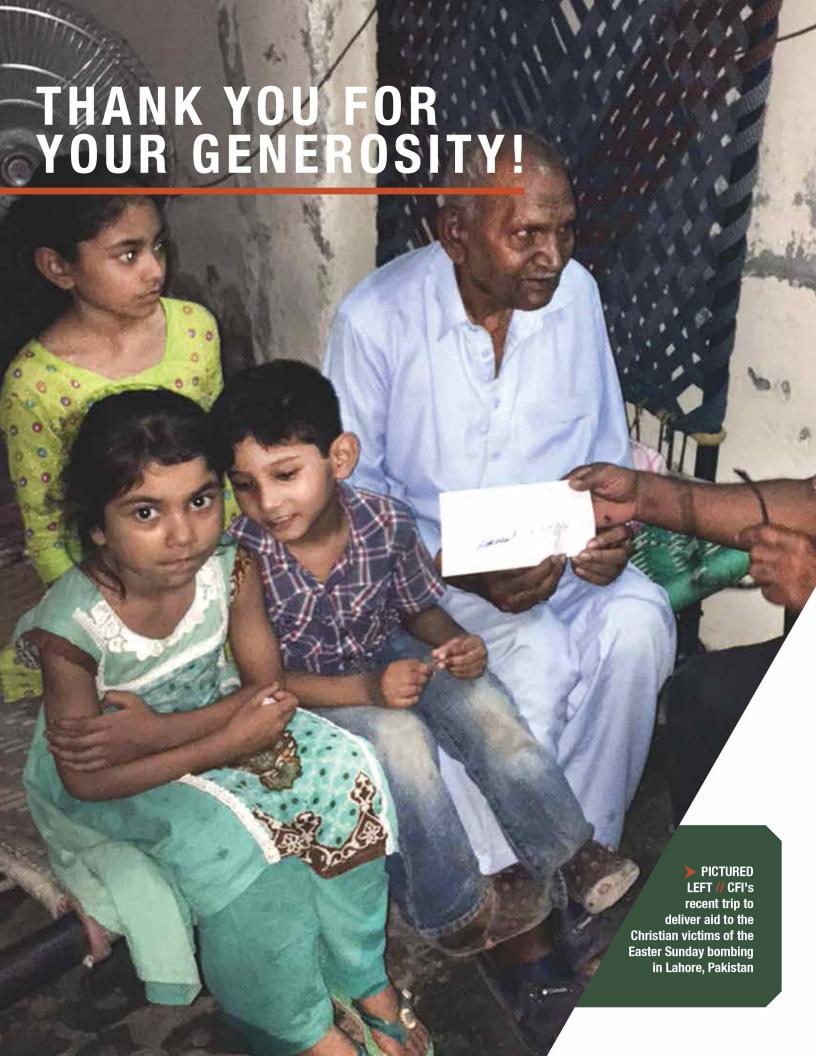


YOUR SUPPORT IS MAKING A LIFESAVING DIFFERENCE







CFI PROVIDES FOR THE ONGOING CARE of the orphans of Shamaa Bibi and her husband Shahzad Masih who were burned alive in a brickyard in Lahore, Pakistan in November of 2014. Our CFI co-worker in Lahore provides regular help to the children and their caretakers. On this recent mission trip to help the survivors of the Easter Day bombing, our Pakistan co-worker also took the CFI mission team to meet with the orphans and their caretakers. Here is a report from a member of the mission team (for security reasons his name must remain anonymous):

"Really, I was very excited to visit the orphaned children. God provided me this amazing opportunity.

These children are very cute and innocent. At the time of our visit,

one child was not at home. I spent an hour with the orphans and asked them about their activities.

They told me that they are getting studies now and go to Sunday School every Sunday by the help of CFI. The children's caretaker showed me the new refrigerator, washing machine, iron, blankets, beds, food, and others things which CFI is providing them.

On this visit, we helped the children and their caretakers by buying two ceilings fans, different kinds of books, colors, stationery, beautiful toys and food.

After getting these things they were looking very happy, excited with their thankful faces. Their caretakers told us that they are feeling much better now because of CFI's ongoing help.

ACROSS THE BORDER

A Field Report (cont.)



"MY HOST'S NAME WAS SAW MOO NE TEE, AND HIS LITTLE WIFE WAS NO HE NAH MOO."

It was one full day after I had arrived before we formally introduced ourselves to one another. I was hit with the comedy at how this encounter was happening in comparison to how it would have happened in the States. Back home, the first thing you do is exchange names, background stories, and a list of accomplishments. Here, I was welcomed with open arms, given clothes, food, and my own room to rest in before we even swapped names.

I sat down with Hsa Khu Wah. Moo Nay Paw, and the pastor and asked him if we could talk about his testimony and the village. He lounged back, expression turning serious and agreed.

Saw Moo Ne Tee grew up in Karen State in a village named Mac Oh Dah Village. Burmese soldiers invaded his village when he was just a young boy, the beginning of a life-time of running. The Burmese soldiers who invaded were gathering Karen villagers to be slaves. Many fled, Moo Ne Tee being one of those.







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From then on, it was a series of new villages and new attacks, all of which Saw Moo Ne Tee survived and continued to flee. He watched wars between his Karen people and the Burmese wherever he went and more often than not, the Burmese would wipe out an entire village with only a few survivors. He told me the names of at least four villages that continued this pattern.

"Was this all as a child?" I asked my interpreter, Hsa Khu Wa, to ask him. He nodded. He was finally able to stay in a village and settle for a while when some Karen leaders arose, and

started to work for themselves. Here he met and married No He Nah Moo, both being only seventeen years old. He was able to go to Bible School and graduate in 2002, and in 2003 he started in ministry serving as a pastor and was placed in Kwee Ler Shut, the very village where I now sat. When he first arrived in this village, there were only ten huts and all the homes were made from bamboo and a roof of thatched leaves.

In 2011, a mere five years ago, war came to Kwee Ler Shut, forcing Moo Ne Tee and No He Nah Moo to flee to a village near the Thai border. At the time, Moo Ne Tee thought it would never be possible to return to Kwee Ler Shut. Thankfully, four months after the attack Karen soldiers had secured the village safely and called Moo Ne Tee and No He Nah Moo back.

They were able to return in 2012 and were blessed to build a school, a church and a wooden house (he emphasized this point greatly, with a big smile and pride in his tone). They have three children. One daughter who is studying in Thailand and two sons: one is married and resettled in Wisconsin, and the other lives in the next hut over with his wife and baby.

(To be continued, submitted by CFI Intern A. Bovitz)

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