



Dear Friends,

Once again, we are privileged to come up with this newsletter to update you all about the progress we have made so far, especially these past few months. Firstly, we would like to greet you all during this season of hope and festivities knowing we are blessed to celebrate the birth of Jesus, who brought us the Hope of Salvation & Peace.

In October I could finally go to India to take stock of the situation as the construction had slowed down due to the lockdown rules in India. Covid-19 has affected all of us in some way or the other and also our Project. We literally had to start from scratch getting new teams and suppliers for the construction of the building. All in all, these last three months have been a very productive time and we have been immensely blessed to witness the work suddenly take off on all fronts.

We hope and believe that in spite of all the challenges we face, this project will fall in place and we may be a blessing to the people of the region.

The Hospital Building



Our construction work had been delayed due to the Covid Pandemic and till the month of October, we were unable to bring in skilled workers. Since then, we have slowly brought in groups of workers in batches and at the moment, we have a sizable work force who are making very good progress.

1. We have completed the roof truss work for Block 'C' and now we have the roofers putting up coloured galvanized roofing. We hope to complete the roofing by the end of December 2020.
2. We have completed the major bulk of underground sewage plumbing exiting from the hospital with multiple junction boxes.
3. Our walls are finally going up as we have completed the layout work for Block 'C'.
4. We also had our doors and frames delivered which were needed for the walls to go up.



Our New Workers

Masons and Brick layers:

We were blessed to get in touch with Mr Riaj Uddin who had constructed buildings for us in the past. He sent us a new team of workers to take over the building project. It has been challenging bringing in new workers as we have to abide by all the local regulations and protocols in place. Non the less, the new workers are doing a commendable job.



Steel fabricators and roofers:

We could bring in Mr Kapil our chief welder, after putting him through a week of quarantine set up by the local health and administrative body. They have been working non-stop ever since their arrival and now we are hopeful of completing the roof of Block 'C' before the new year begins.

We are also very thankful to all the other workers (Mr Dileep and his team) who have been with us during these lockdown months for supporting the work in difficult times.

Our Financial Status

In the last newsletter I had mentioned that we would like to meet our goal of raising 50% of our financial needs for the hospital building project. We had estimated that we would roughly need 300,000 CHF to complete the build. We are glad to share with you all that we have raised close to 150,000 CHF (i.e., 50%) which has already gone towards the building. As the project gains momentum and we bring in plumbers, electricians, tilers etc... our efforts to raise the remainder of the funds will be more urgent. Kindly let us know if you are interested to know more about our accounting and expenses. We also would like to thank each and every one who has contributed towards this project.

On a Personal note

This year has been like non other for most of us and it has reminded us once again of how fragile life can be when we stand alone. God has been central to this project and us personally and when we seemed confused and directionless, He brought clarity and hope. God has also bestowed new responsibilities on us as we look forward to welcoming our first child sometime in the middle of March 2021 and we are eagerly looking forward to this new adventure.



We bring our sincere love and gratefulness to all of you who have been part of this journey with us and we also take this opportunity to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

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