

在經歷新冠肺炎疫情的風雪後，草長鶯飛，春回大地，桃花滿地開。2020年2月13、14日，我與藍傳道一同前往加吉、弄通、古思、弄盆、丹丁五個教堂，給貧困山村的小孩子定時發放愛心植苗的資助。

又是新的一年，我們一同來到熟悉的地方，看著孩子們天真純樸的臉龐，他們滿臉期待的看著我們。各個地區的負責人都提前做好準備，組織好所有的學生，井然有序地為孩子量身高，稱體重。作為其中的一員，我耐心地為每一個孩子照相存檔，指點孩子們填寫好填好<成長報告表>給資助他們的人，整理收集各教堂人員的簽名冊，協助各點負責人發放補助。

此外我也抓住機會與各負責人交談，瞭解植苗兒童們的家庭情況。身處大山裡的孩子，大多是貧困戶，有些孩子是孤兒，和爺爺奶奶生活在一起，從小就缺少父愛母愛。本是無憂無慮玩耍的年紀，卻早已承擔起家庭的重任。而有些孩子是留守兒童，因為家境貧困，父母常年都在外工作，一年到頭就回家一兩次。所以山裡的孩子早當家，洗衣做飯樣樣都得會，喂豬喂羊種玉米樣



樣得精通，在大人的眼裡他們也是一個小大人了！

看見一個一個質樸純真的孩子，他們除了珍惜上學的機會外，更是願意學習聖經與禱告，我相信他們一定能夠結出豐碩的果子，成為懂得感恩與熱愛生活的孩子，並且每一個都是上帝的寶貝。愛心植苗計畫為貧困的家庭帶來了希望，溫暖與愛。

我自己也是多年來得到植苗計畫的幫助，不但完成高中學業，更申請到植苗大學獎學金，可以繼續攻讀。今年夏天，我也將踏入社會，成為一位小學老師。回想過去的年日，每年得到資助人的幫助，鼓勵著我繼續向前。我也希望每一位植苗的兒童也能夠有機會像我一樣，走向美好的前程。

經過這次親身參與發放教育經費的工作，感受到這些得到資助的貧困學生收穫的不僅是物質上的幫助，更是精神上的鼓勵。祝福他們在主耶穌的恩典中成長，有一天，他們也能夠成為一個感恩回報社會，見證基督的信徒。





After a long and stormy winter of the Covid pandemic, spring is here. Lush grass and peach blossoms are everywhere. On February 13 and 14, Minister Lan and I traveled to five churches located in JiaJi, NongTong, GuSi, NongPen and DanDing to

deliver the periodic Seedling assistance to the children from the poor mountainous villages.

We have returned to a place we are familiar with and were glad to see the familiar faces of children who were anxiously waiting for us. The local coworkers have already prepared the students lining up for us to take measurements of their height and weight so we can update their report. I was responsible to take their pictures, help them to fill out different forms. We also assisted in the distribution of the funds to the students.

I had the opportunity to talk to the co-workers about these children and their family circumstances. Since the children are from the mountains, most of them are from poor families. Some of them are orphans who are living with grandparents. They have not experienced the love of fathers and mothers from a very young age. Normally they should be worry free and carefree but

they have the responsibility of a household. Some of the children are what are called the 'left behind children' since both parents have left for work in another city or province. The parents can only afford to come home once or twice a year. So, these children are on their own and be responsible to run the household, cooking, doing laundry. Some of them have become experts in raising pigs, goats and even growing corn. In the eyes of the adults, they are mini-adults.

These children treasure any opportunity to attend school and are more than willing to study the Bible and learning to pray. I truly believe they will be fruitful, successful, living a full life and with gratitude. Each child is precious in the eyes of God. The Seedling Project brings hope, warm and love to them.

I am a living proof since I am a beneficiary of the Seedling Project. I was able to graduate from high school and was the recipient of a college scholarship so I can continue my studies. This coming summer I will be entering society as an elementary teacher. Looking back, I remember the help I receive every year from a sponsor that encouraged me to move forward. I am hoping that every child in the Seedling Project would have the kind of opportunity that I had and can look forward to a bright future.

Speaking from experience, the assistance from the Seedling Project was more than financial or material help. More importantly it is the spiritual encouragement the students received. You are blessing them with the encouragement they need to grow in the grace of Jesus. I believe that one day they will become witnesses for Christ and will give back with gratitude to their community.

