



International China Concern
國際關心中國慈善協會

Annual Summary
2008



Love, hope and opportunity for every disabled child

International China Concern is a Christian development organisation that changes lives by bringing love, hope and opportunity to China's abandoned and disabled

www.chinaconcern.org

The Big Picture

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much - Helen Keller



2008 began with the worst winter weather to hit China for 50 years. Temperatures plummeted and power and water supplies failed. Despite the extreme conditions we were able to provide everyone in our care with food and water. There was some structural damage at both projects, but we were quickly able to repair this thanks to the generosity of people like you.

There have been many reasons to give thanks throughout 2008.

In May we dedicated our new building, The Lighthouse. Your support enabled us to purchase and renovate the building and we're sincerely grateful. The Lighthouse provides a home for life for 35 children and young adults with disabilities. Through our Community Outreach Programme the building is also a centre of hope for families with special needs children.

In August we opened a 34 bed infant care unit in Hengyang, providing some of our youngest children with a bright and spacious home. Renovations at Hengyang continued into the autumn enabling us to open two new group homes and a unit for 27 of our boys.

83 people from 7 countries made the long journey to China to serve as participants in our China Teams.

Over 2,000 people put on their shoes and took part in our annual fundraiser, Walk the Wall, raising an amazing USD200,000.

Almost 1,500 people received our monthly Prayer Calendar and prayed for the needs of China's abandoned and disabled.

Communications Director Kirsten Britcher left to take up a new position. We thank her for her dedicated service and her lasting contribution to our work.

Our prayers and yours were answered as God provided us with new managers for our Hong Kong and Australia offices. Our Communications and Development positions were filled.

859 sponsor parents invested in the lives of China's abandoned and disabled, between them providing for 1,172 sponsor places.

Our ever growing team of willing volunteers raised the profile of China's abandoned and disabled with friends, colleagues and church groups worldwide.

Throughout 2008 God provided for our needs. We give thanks for the amazing miracle of His provision and for the army of supporters who stand with us around the world.



January

China team
Weather crisis - we made it through!

February

First parent support group meeting - Community Outreach Programme

March

Speech therapy training, Changsha

April

China team
Children participate in the mini Olympics

May

Official opening of The Lighthouse, Changsha
Therapy department expands in Hengyang with the addition of 2 therapists

June

Children's Day



July

Children and young adults attend summer camp
China team

August

34 babies moved to refurbished accommodation in Hengyang

September

International fundraiser Walk the Wall 2008. 870 participants in China!

October

China team

November

Renovation of an independent living facility for 8 young adults in Changsha completed and residents move in

December

27 boys move to refurbished accommodation in Hengyang



Our Journey

We want to thank you for supporting us financially through 2008. Here's how we used the money you gave.

Income

	USD
Changsha Project	273,384
Changsha capital projects	50,200
Hengyang Project	193,488
Hengyang capital projects	11,387
China Operations	1,878
Undesignated contributions	<u>379,948</u>
	910,285

Expenditure

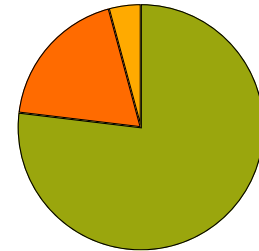
	USD
Changsha Project	549,598
Changsha capital projects	116,421
Hengyang Projects	63,271
Hengyang capital projects	26,573
China Operations	80,672
Administration	45,385
Support services	<u>205,481</u>
	1,087,401

Where It Came From

Australia	13%
Canada	15%
China (government contributions)	11%
Hong Kong	18%
The Netherlands	9%
United Kingdom	23%
United States of America	9%

Where It Went

China Programmes	76.9%	●
Support Services	18.9%	●
Administration	4.2%	●



Figures reflect consolidated financial reports from January to December 2008. Funds held end of December 2008, USD64,000, adjusted for currency movement by end December 2008.

International China Concern acknowledges the generous and invaluable contribution of its international volunteers. Their 'gifts in kind' are not reflected in these figures.



Legals

International China Concern is registered in Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States of America as a charity/non-profit organisation. See website for further details.

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