



The year of the Rooster, or Wood-Bird, has been bountiful for our work in Kham -and we couldn't have done it without your support! Here is a list of our accomplishments in 2005:

- Twenty more village women in Jiulong and Xinlong counties completed our midwife training course. Two of these went on to pass the exam to be qualified as doctors; the others have been assigned positions in clinics where they are in charge of outreach to expectant mothers in remote areas.
- We organized a 3-week internship for our nineteen midwives from Daocheng and Sersbul trained in 2004. They spent time in their county hospitals being mentored by doctors.
- Three of our previously trained midwives completed a seven-month course in rural medicine. They are now back at home serving their communities.
- Five volunteer MBAs (business experts) completed a market assessment for Tibetan handicrafts in Beijing, Shanghai, Chengdu, Lhasa, Kangding, and Tagong. They gave us an exhaustive 63-page report detailing their findings, including and recommendations that we train Tagong people to produce new products for the tourism market.
- This year our scholarship program helped 288 children who otherwise would not have had a chance to study. Starting junior middle school were 19 new children who entered grade 7. We saw 33 of our sponsored students graduate from grade 9 of whom we were able to send 30 on to senior middle school. A Kham Aid class of 25 children completed primary school. Others continued their studies in primary school, junior and senior middle school.
- Our architectural conservators made preliminary observations of Nyitso Monastery, characterizing the problems in the complex's two ancient temples due to severe movement and insect infestation.
- We recruited two teams of energetic volunteers who renovated the teacher living quarters at Da-ma Primary School in Dege. They replaced doors and windows, installed drop ceilings and recessed lighting, put on fresh paint and added new electrical wiring.
- A Kham Aid volunteer taught English at the Geza Primary School for three months. He'll continue there until February, 2006.

- Thanks to our donors, students at three rural schools in Dawu, Shangri-La, and Sershul won't have to sleep on the floor anymore, since their schools received a total of \$4367 worth of dormitory beds.
- Thirty-nine computers donated to Kham Aid were distributed to schools in Ganzi, Dawu, Shangri-La, and Tongren.
- Our expert architectural conservator overhauled and improved the roof drainage system at Seng-ge Monastery.
- Sixty-four people from Dorakarmo and Pasang Villages in Kangding County received 2-12 weeks of vocational training in construction skills, including the arts of stone-cutting, wall-building, carpentry, and roof making.
- Thanks to the above training program, Seng-ge Monastery got a new kitchen and guest quarters.
- We built new greenhouses at the Sershul Middle School and the Sershul Chengguan Primary School.
- At Dege County's Maniganggo Primary School where a school building burned down in January, \$5,250 of Kham Aid support helped build a new kitchen and dining hall.
- With the help of our education program director Kara Jenkinson, a little girl in Dawu named Renchin Tso was able to receive the stomach surgery she needed.
- We surveyed and documented fourteen ancient structures in Kangding county, all but two of which are believed to be at least 700 years old. The structures were previously unknown to all but a handful of people outside the region. Some will be targeted for future conservation programs.

Join us in looking forward to an even more fruitful year of the FIRE-DOG! And thanks for your support!

Yours truly,

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