

# DeVine MINISTRIES

"Taking the gospel where it has never gone before"

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**This has been an amazing month of growth and the experience has stretched us and strengthened our faith. The Lord gave us the opportunity to rescue 2 precious little unwanted orphan girls and we gladly accepted them into our home and praise God for them.**

The first thing we had to do was prepare a place for them, although our house is large, the bedroom and bathroom space is limited. With the permission of the landlord, we built a room on the 2nd floor. We bought a new bunk bed, mattresses, sheets and ordered a larger dining room table from a furniture store. We used the last of our savings and also sold some items that we felt we could live without in order to prepare for these girls. Immediately we had to go to the store and purchase clothes, they came with only a small sack with very few worn and tattered clothes. We bought them some clothes and much needed essentials the first day they arrived.



The older girl is 13 and the other is 7. I will tell you this month about the youngest. **Her name is Ann.** Her mother had abandoned her and her brother with a man she had been staying with. The man wouldn't give the children food and he frequently beat them. They slept on the floor in a corner and never went to school. Some neighbors in the village started taking the children to school so that they would at least get one meal per day.

Eventually the child services office got involved and took custody of them. They placed Ann's 8 year old brother in the government orphanage for boys in another city, but the girl's orphanage was so overcrowded that they kept her in their office for 2 months while looking for a place to take her. They first had to shave Ann's head because she had lice.

**When they asked us if we would take her we knew this was God's will and we gladly received her into our family.** She is slowly making the adjustment; she is quite affectionate and loves to hug. Her communication skills are lacking and we are having to teach her how to eat, bathe, dress, basically everything. **She has never experienced most of the things that we take for granted.** She had never brushed her teeth before, so of course we must now take her to the dentist for some serious dental work. She had never slept on a bed, never drank milk in her life and had never seen some of the most basic foods. She is learning and is getting along well with the other children. **We praise God for Ann and for our faithful partners that have made it possible for us to rescue her.**



Although last year ended with the lowest income in our history, God has proven faithful and we have seen many miracles.

We have a number of faithful partners that make it possible for us to rescue these precious little children and to take the gospel where it has never gone before, however, our needs are ever increasing. 98% of those receiving this newsletter either have never or no longer help us. **I am asking you to please pray and ask God if it is His will for you to help us rescue children and give them the love and care they deserve and to help us reach the lost with the gospel.** I pray that you will be obedient to what God puts on your heart.

Jesus said, *"Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."* Matt 19:14 NKJV

Jesus also said: *"Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me."* Matt 18:5 NKJV

**These little children had no hope, no future; will you help us receive them, care for them and give them the love and hope they deserve?**

Bless you,  
**The DeVine Family**



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