

Ji'an Social Welfare Institute Visit

Visit by Peggy Gurrad

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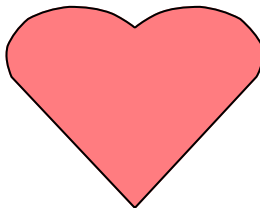
Group Photo

November 14, 2012

From left to right (not including the kids)
Ms. Luo (Amity, white jacket), Zhou Bo
(Amity), Granny Zhou Guilian 周桂莲,
Vice Director Mei, Granny Cai Cihua 蔡赐
华, Peggy Gurrad , Granny Luo Julian 罗
菊莲, Granny Liu Yuedi 刘跃弟, Director
Liu



When we first arrived we went to the outdoor (under cover) play area where the Hugging Grannies were playing and working with the 29 special needs children. These are kids with severe handicaps that prevent them from being placed in foster care. The number of children with severe handicaps that the Grannies are helping with has tripled in the last few years so the director has requested more Hugging Grannies. (One of the Grannies was home sick today).



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Children Living at the SWI

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Some of the 29 special needs children who are not able to be placed in foster homes ... these children live at the SWI .



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On Site Facilities

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Looking out from the front of the SWI



Building for elderly & disabled adults



Walking toward building with baby rooms



Playground equipment

"The law of love could be best understood and learned through little children"

... Mahatma Gandhi



Covered play area

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Visit to the Baby Rooms

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This child recently had heart surgery and papers have been sent in for adoption



This cutie has mild cerebral palsy



Premature baby abandoned 6 weeks ago



Mr Zeng is in charge of the children. He is new within the last month or so and before this was in the army. He was very good with the children, would touch them affectionately and tease them and play with them and get them to smile. He looks like he's really enjoying his new job and cares very much for the children.



Mr Zeng saying "hi"



A little one with mental retardation

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First Foster Home Visit

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Foster mom, JZY, JZC & Ms Luo (Amity)

Visiting foster home:
Foster child JZY in light beige coat is a girl born Sept2010 with the special need of "malnutrition". Her skull has a bit of an odd shape but they say she's been tested for hydrocephalus and doesn't have it. JZC in a yellow coat with blue sleeves is a boy born July 2010 with the initial special need of "developmental delay". Both of these children have improved a great deal in foster care and now have their papers in for international adoption



JZC playing at front of home



Looking inside foster mom's front door



Playing in front of foster mom's home

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First Foster Home Visit—continued

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Inside view of new home being built for 2 grown sons of foster mother



Front door of new home



JZY playing with Ms. Luo (Amity) on the front steps of the new home



On the walk from foster mom's home to new home for her sons



Family and Community

Love

Mr. Zeng playing with JZC and getting him to smile.



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Second Foster Home Visit

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Foster mom lives next to the orphanage (a recent widow)
JZD is a girl born Jun.2010 with cleft lip and palate who has had surgery, at least on the lip. She is holding the ball. She can speak some although not clearly. JZC is also a girl, born Sept. 2010 with the special need of "malnutrition" who is very active and talkative.

Orphanage can be seen in back ground of above photo.



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Kindergarten Visit

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Visiting Beijing Hoing Chain Kindergarten where two of our foster kids, JWH and JHZ attend.

They were changed to this school because it's closer to the foster families.

Mr Zeng's son goes to the same kindergarten.

JWH, a girl, born Nov.01 with dwarfism, who was not accepted in primary school

JHZ, a boy born Aug.05 has some developmental delay and also congenital heart disease for which he's had two surgeries but there's still some impairment

Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may remember; involve me and I'll understand.
Chinese proverb



JWH



JHZ



JWH with pink hairband



JHZ is the cutie on the far right