



Christmas Newsletter 2024

*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace
to men on whom his favour rests."
Luke 2:14*



Dear Friends of HOLF,

Our hearts overflow with joy as Christmas approaches, and we look forward to this meaningful festival with love and hope.

We are so grateful to God that he guides us and sustains us daily. He has walked with us through trials and challenges throughout 2024. We would like to share with you our recent news that our new resident, a young girl, is settling and adjusting well to the living environment at HOLF.

We are relieved and grateful that we appointed a main contractor in early November to build the premises at our new site in Tai Po. If the construction work goes smoothly then our new home will be completed in Dec 2026.

Our HOLF ministry is approaching the 60-year mark! Another special milestone for HOLF.

Your support is vital and allows us to continue to provide a wide range of services for people with disabilities. We thank you with all of our hearts for this continued support and companionship.



7 Castle Peak, Kwu Tung, Sheung Shui, N.T., Hong Kong
+852 26700676 www.holf.org.hk  @hkholf

The Home of Loving Faithfulness holds a valid licence issued by the Social Welfare Department as a Registered Cared Home for Person with Disabilities.

Block C Big Unit



Siu Ping always enjoys music and wheel chair garden walks.

Wing Sze likes to watch YouTube videos and spend time with others. She recently had a happy birthday celebration



Fa Fa always has a smile on her face and is always positive and happy. She enjoys going to the training centre during the week and at the weekend she likes to join in with activities with our volunteers.



Tip Tip likes to be outside in our garden so our staff always take her there to enjoy the peaceful space.

Fung Tai celebrated her 73rd birthday recently. Her brother came to visit on her birthday which made it a very special day for her.



Tak Tak enjoys using the walking frame so that he can move around indoors and out. It is such a special time for him to enjoy the freedom of walking in the garden and using his senses to explore his surroundings.



Sun Sun is a happy boy who enjoys going to school every day during the week and taking part in outings and extra activities. He is very involved in all of the activities provided.



Tsz Yin likes music and always enjoys the musical activities whether provided by staff or volunteers. He also likes to go on outings with other residents and volunteers.



This year, sadly, Chi Kin's health has not been very good. He has been in and out of hospital. We hope that his health will improve in the coming year. We will continue to make him as comfortable as we can.



Block D Upper Ark



Pui Ling is a very capable young lady and likes to help around the house. She enjoys writing in her leisure time and seems to find this a soothing activity.

Tung Tung likes to hear different rhythms, and her favourite leisure activity is drumming. She sometimes enjoys exploring the garden, which is also a good exercise for her to keep her mobile.



When there's good weather, Siu Yan always enjoys going on the swing in the garden. This is a very calming activity for her and relaxes her body and mood.



Si Ning is very energetic and loves playing in the playground. She has adjusted well to the HOLF living environment and has lots of new "brothers and sisters" around.

Block D Lower Ark



Ka Lok has horse riding every week, which he enjoys a lot! See how confident he is when riding. This also helps his muscles stay strong.

Douglas has just gone through a long hospital stay for a foot fracture. He has now recovered, and we welcome him back to spend Christmas with us.



Choi likes doing group activities and always tries his best to finish different tasks with amazing perseverance. We admire his determination and strength of will.



Kin Ho is very talkative and polite. When he meets new people, he is very open to talk. What a wonderful characteristic! He has adapted to the HOLF living environment very well.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers, prayer friends, donors, supporters, and friends for their faithful and ongoing support. Without your love and care we would not be able to achieve so much. With your ongoing encouragement and support, we continue to serve those with disabilities from our community. Your part in this work is vital and we thank you for your support.





Message From The Trustees



"O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!" Such a wonderful Christmas carol which I'm sure we all know well. However, one of the joys of the Christmas story is perhaps that it can be read in an opposite way. Really...? I hear you ask. How come? Today, I was struck by an alternative rendition of this well-known carol which can be paraphrased as follows:

"Come all you unfaithful, come, weak and unstable. Come, know you are not alone. Come, barren and waiting ones, weary of praying, come. O come, bitter and broken, come with fears unspoken, come taste of his perfect love. O come, guilty and hiding ones, there is no need to run. He is the Lamb who was given, slain for our pardon, his promise is peace for those who believe. He is the Lamb who was given, slain for our pardon, his promise is peace for those who believe so come, though you have nothing. Come, He is the offering. Come see what your God has done. Christ is born. Christ is born for you!"

And that birth really is a special gift whether we are faithful or unfaithful, whether joyful or triumphant or weak and unstable.



It certainly has been a bizarre and challenging year. Governments, countries, nations, and families are all in turmoil and change. How many curved balls have you had to face this year? Let us know. Can we join in prayer for you?

As for the HOLF family, we have had the highs and lows as many families have. We lost dear Fu Fu our first HOLF resident, but we have also gained new residents, new staff and a new superintendent in Matthew Chu. Matthew is such a blessing. Calmly coping with the many curve balls that impact the HOLF family each week and month! So we are truly grateful for His provision and yours in so many ways which have sustained us graciously through the year.

The staff battle on with amazing love and perseverance. The trustees are busy with all the excitement of planning for our new Tai Po premises. Paperwork galore, designs to consider, tenders to assess, finances to juggle, visions to discern with faith and wisdom and dare we say it, courage! We gasp when we see the challenges ahead but we also look to the Lord for His grace and mercy. His wisdom and strength guide us through each day, each week, each month and soon to our 60th anniversary in the Autumn of 2025. We are so humbled to find ourselves still serving, still loving our beautifully special residents and still supported by you all in the many different ways in which you can bless us. Thank you!

We are now considering our growth plan. Can we be blessed with 25 residents by the end of 2025 and 30 residents by the end of 2026? That's our plan, if that is His, and to double again in our new premises in the coming years in Tai Po. HOLF seems to specialise in challenging our faith and vision! And so we can promise more excitement and challenges in the years to come. How much more do we need your prayers and support? But we take each step of the journey "joyfully and triumphant"! Grateful for this "indefinable gift"! So whether your year has been joyful and triumphant or weak and unstable, Christ is born for you and us.

*May you find His grace and peace in abundance. Come thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free from our fears and sins release us. Let us find our rest in thee.
(From Come though long expected Jesus.)*

