Dear A Life A Time donors,

We want to offer you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving and best wishes for the upcoming holiday season! During this time of giving, we want to thank you for your continued support of our efforts to help orphaned and impoverished children in China who suffer from congenital illnesses or severe trauma.

In addition to the donations you can make directly to our cause, we also want to pass on that you can also help us when you shop at Amazon – just simply use our Amazon link when you make purchases. We will be able to receive a referral fee of around 2-8%, all of which will be used to help children in need!

Here is how it works:

- **Option 1:** Please bookmark the link: <u>http://alifeatime.org/amazon</u>. Please note if the link does not work (which happens sometimes), please refer to Option 2 below.
- <u>Option 2:</u> if you use Google Chrome or the first link does not work, please bookmark the following link: <u>http://www.amazon.com/?&tag=osccforg-20&camp=211493</u>

For you convenience, we will also periodically post the referral fees we receive from Amazon at: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/help/shop\_to\_help.aspx</u>, under "The Latest Report". Please note, if your purchase(s) do not appear in our latest report (your name will not appear), it might due to your choice of browser. We recommend in that case that you use Firefox or make purchases via smile.amazon.com, where A Life A Time Foundation receives 0.5% donation from Amazon on every purchase. Here is our smile.amazon.com link: <u>http://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-3147170</u>

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As always, we want to give you a quarterly update on what we have been doing. During the past three months, with the money from our many generous donors on both our A Life A Time and GlobalGiving websites, we were able to provide assistance to a total of 9 children!

Below is a summary of some individual children we helped between September 2015 and November 2015. For detailed information on all the children we have helped and those who are still in need of your help, please visit our website: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org</u>

For detailed information on the uses of the donations we have received via the GlobalGiving platform, please visit the following link: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/help/donation\_list.aspx?id=761</u>

## Jinwang

Gender: Male Disease/Illness: Hirschsprung disease Date of Birth: January 2014 Contribution from A Life A Time: \$1,617.17 Story link: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=802</u> Jinwang was often sick and hospitalized since he was born, and he was eventually diagnosed with Hirschsprung disease. His family is very poor with his mother unable to work due to mental illness, so the family relies on his father's farming and occasional temporary work. Because of the family's financial situation and the complexity of his illness, Jinwang's father considered giving him up at various times. With the help of volunteers, Jinwang underwent a colostomy in July 2014 and his pneumonia was treated and cured as well. Unfortunately, because his father was not experienced in taking care of him, Jinwang's pneumonia came back at the end of that month. Along with continued high fevers, he was again hospitalized. Given his family's issues, volunteers thought a better solution would be to find Jinwang a foster home.



Summer 2014



October 2015 at Xiao Xi Wang in Shanghai

In August 2014, with help from Xiao Xi Wang Shanghai, a nonprofit organization providing assistance and protection to abused children in China, Jinwang and his father arrived in Shanghai for further evaluation and treatments. It was determined that his colostomy procedure had not been successful. Because the child was suffering from malnutrition, his doctor suggested working to improve his overall health before taking the next step in treating his Hirschsprung disease. After a year of taking prescribed formula, Jinwang's health, including his weight, improved, and he was hospitalized in August 2015 to treat his Hirschsprung disease. On September 6, he underwent a series of procedures including an intestinal biopsy, enterolysis, and removal of an abnormal portion of the colon. The surgery went well and he was released from the hospital ten days later. Jinwang is currently recovering at Xiao Xi Wang and is expected to have the colostomy closed six months from now.

## Jiahui

Gender: Female Disease/Illness: Congenital Biliary Atresia Date of Birth: November 2014 Contribution from A Life A Time: \$1,562.5 Story link: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=892</u>

Jiahui was diagnosed with congenital biliary atresia two months after she was born. She received a Kasai procedure after the family was able to gather RMB40,000. Unfortunately, the recovery did not go as well as expected and she was fighting infections. In June 2015, the family brought her to Shanghai for

evaluation and treatments. Her doctor strongly recommended a liver transplant to save Jiahui's life or she would not survive for more than a year. The transplant was estimated to cost RMB150,000 (USD23,438). On August 4, Jiahui's mother donated her liver and the doctor performed a liver transplant even though the family was unable to pay for the procedure upfront. Jiahui recovered quickly and was released from the ICU in less than a week and was discharged from the hospital after two weeks.



Prior to her transplant



September 2015: Post surgery

Jiahui continues to recover at The Children's Hope Shanghai, a nonprofit organization, and receives periodic checkups. After subtracting donations and the family's savings of RMB40,000 (USD6,250), approximately RMB20,000 (USD3,125) was still owed to the hospital. A Life A Time Foundation provided RMB10,000 to cover half of the arrears.

## Haibin

Gender: Male Disease/Illness: Leukemia Date of Birth: July 2009 Contribution from A Life A Time: \$ 1,617.17 Story link: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=887</u>

Haibin was diagnosed with leukemia in August 2015. His doctor suggested chemotherapy followed by hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. The cure rate was estimated at up to 70-80% following such a transplant. The concern was the cost of the treatment, which was estimated at RMB300,000-400,000 (USD46,875-62,500) for chemotherapy and RMB500,000 (USD78,125) for the transplant.





September 2015: After first chemotherapy session October 2015: After three chemotherapy sessions

Previously, Haibin's parents worked at factories, earning RMB1,000-3,000 (USD156.25-468.75) each per month. One month before Haibin's diagnosis, his grandmother passed away from cervical cancer. By that time, the family had spent all of its savings on treatments for her. Haibin's parents borrowed RMB60,000 (USD9,375) to use for his inpatient treatments, which did not last long. Currently, the family lives on the income from Haibin's father and uncle's work at factories while his mother is taking care of him at the hospital. Volunteers and various nonprofit organizations, including A Life A Time Foundation, have supported the child by covering three chemotherapy sessions completed between September and October 2015.

## Kangyan

Gender: Female Disease/Illness: Congenital Heart Disease Date of Birth: February 2015 Contribution from A Life A Time: \$1,562.50 Story link: <a href="http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=890">http://www.alifeatime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=890</a>

Kangyan is the younger of twin sisters. Her sister was healthy, but Kangyan has always been weak since birth. Her doctor suspected she had congenital heart disease and later confirmed that her condition was serious and that she needed to be transferred to a bigger hospital where she could receive appropriate treatments. When Kangyan was four months old, she was examined at a hospital in Chongqing, which suggested she be transferred to Beijing or Shanghai because the hospital was not capable of performing the necessary surgery. Kangyan also suffered from pneumonia whenever she had a cold, always ending up hospitalized.

Kangyan was transferred to a hospital in Shanghai and was first admitted to the Respiratory Therapy Department to treat her pneumonia. Those treatments cost RMB10,000 (USD1,562.5) and the estimated cost of the necessary heart surgery was RMB80,000-100,000 (USD12,500-15,625). The family was only able to borrow RMB50,000 (USD7,812.50).



October 2015: Being treated for pneumonia



Prior to her heart surgery

On November 3, 2015, Kangyan underwent her heart surgery in Shanghai. Unfortunately, her condition worsened a few days after the surgery and passed away.

We would like to ask for your continued support in the future by visiting our website: <u>http://www.alifeatime.org</u> or our fundraising platform on GlobalGiving.

Please spread the word of our fundraising efforts to your family members, friends and colleagues. Thank you again, and together let's help as many children as possible and allow them to experience love and be treated with dignity and care!

Happy holidays!

Sincerely yours,

A Life A Time Foundation