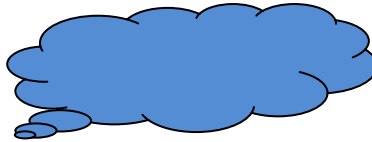


August-September 09



Dear friends:

Greetings from rain soaked Kurseong and all of us!

It is raining outside non-stop. Hope we don't have more landslides in the hills. It looks like our monsoon will stretch till September! It is funny; the weather report tells us that we had less rain in India this year.

I cannot believe August just went by. I must say we were busy with the paper work and three trips we made to Patna for Shanti Lucy's admission in the nursing school. Finally she is admitted in the school. We are very happy for her. She will be a great nurse. She is so grateful that she got this opportunity to go to nursing school. And she told me before I left her that she wants to help Pratima Bernadette when she finishes schooling. I'm so happy and proud of her. And I'm very grateful to friends who made it possible for Shanti Lucy to fulfil her dream to become a nurse.



Shanti Lucy & her brother Nigma Dorjay in the overnight train on the way to Nursing School in Patna.



SHANTI LUCY IN FRONT OF THE NURSING SCHOOL



AT THE DOOR OF THE HOSTEL (WHERE OUTSIDERS ARE NOT ALLOWED)

Now we have a wonderful friend and teacher, Glenda (the good witch, I call her) an addition to our family. She is by profession a dramatist and an artist combined together. (She used to come to SASAC regularly and taught the children drama & produced the Wizard of Oz & designed the gate and garden at SASAC II Training Centre.) At Present she is guiding the children to paint & draw. (I'm amazed that our children can paint live pictures like house, yards & scenery etc.) She has under taken a project to make Christmas cards with the children's paintings and drawings. It will be the first of our income generating projects. The cards will be ready for Christmas this year and will be available through another friend, Kathy Martin. The long term projection for this Micro business is that, not only will it enhance the family budget by supplying half the money needed, but give us enough money in hand to finance the production of more cards next year including occasional cards.



GLEND A THE GOOD WITCH IS CHECKING OLD CRAYONS FOR THE CARD PROJECTS.



NEHA THE LITTLE MOUSE IS GETTING READY FOR (SOON-TO-BE) HOME PRODUCTION FAIRYTALE.



DAVA IS HAPPY TO GET SUGGESTIONS ON HIS PAINTINGS FROM GLEND A.



ANITA IS WATCHING WHILE SUBODH, GLEND A & NEHA WORK ON THEIR PAINTINGS ON OUR KITCHEN TABLE.

In September, Dr Laura and Harry's arrival was a special occasion. Dr Laura is an acupuncturist who works with the Kurseong Red Cross Society for the substance & chemical abuse. On weekends they visit us with Fr Abraham. (We are all looking forward to celebrate Fr Abe's 84th birthday on the 26th) It is so kind of her that every week she gives Nita and me treatments for our bad backs. And it helps a lot. I must say we are spoilt a lot but are very grateful to her.

And we are not forgetting our friends who are far away in distance but are very close to our hearts. You are remembered in our prayers. We are very grateful to you for your kindness and generosity. With your thoughtfulness and kindness we've been able to provide our children with shelter, food, education and more! May our Lord always bless you with good health, happiness, prosperity and peace be with you. Namasthay!



With love, Cecilia, Nita and all the children.

P.S. If you would like to make a donation to support us, please contact: Kit Doan at kit@kitandjane.ca, or Dr Laura Louie at drlauralouie@yahoo.ca. Or Debra Cummings at cummings.debs@gmail.com <cummings.debs@gmail.com> **THANK YOU!!!** **P.S.** If you would like to have our X'mas cards, please contact: Kathy Martin at sasac1@comcast.net **THANK YOU!!!**



DR.LAURA & HARRY'S ARRIVAL



HARRY THINKS SUBODH AND NIGMA WILL BECOME GOOD ELECTIRICIANS.



ALL THE CHILDREN ARE MESMERIZED WITH THE MOVIE STAR WARS!

