

November & December 2009

Dear friends:



Christmas Greetings from all of us in the **Morning Star Home**, in Kurseong!



TOP ROW (L TO R)

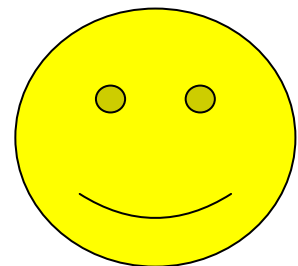
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**ADEN, PRABIN JUSTIN,
PRABINA MONICA,
POOJA ELIZABETH,
CHOGEL AND ALINA**

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FRONT ROW (L TO R)

**CHODEN AND PRATIMA
BERNADETTEE**

Despite of bad weather, bad flu in Sept/October, our children wrote their final exams in Nove/Dec and all of them passed! Praise the Lord!

Prabin Justin, Prabina Monica, Pooja Elizabeth and Alina are promoted to the high school in class V. Sachin James, Chogel and Choden went to class IV. Aden to class II and little Neha to class I. Subodh Aaron and Sajan Simon are promoted to class X and Dava to class IX. Nigma Dorjay will write his exams in March next year.



(L TO R)

SAJAN SIMON, DAVA AND SUBODH AARON



Shanti Lucy had an appendix operation in the Holy Family hospital where she is doing her nursing course. We came to know it after when she was recuperating. I had to sign a letter (during the admission to the nursing school) giving the permission to do any needed operation. I think that's why I was not informed before her operation. Now she is fine and resumed her studies and duties. Nigma Dorjay, her brother has gone to visit her. All the children wrote notes to her and sent them along with Nigma. His visit will be a nice Christmas gift for her. We will miss her this Christmas but we are very proud of her too.

Prabina Monica had that bad flu and was hospitalized in September. After that she wasn't feeling well. She went to the hospital many times for checkups. Finally I had to take her to the private doctor, did all the necessary tests, x-rays and blood tests. She was diagnosed TB (tuberculosis). It is just started. Thank God we knew earlier. She has to take medicine regularly. And thank you very much for your help and generosity and because of that I was able to take Prabina Monica to the doctor, do all the needed tests, and give medicine and food.



P Monica has T.B. She is getting medicine, Nutritious food.



↑ Celebrating Choden's 12th birthday on 29th November



↑ Choden and Prabin Justin are working on a puzzle.



← LITTLE NEHA WITH (L) UPASHNA AND (R)DIVYA


Now we have two young ladies in our home (making that a total of 20 people): Upashna (ex-Sasac) and Divya (Nita's sister). They both finished their plus two courses. Their homes are very far away in remote villages. During the day they are doing computer courses and learning office work under the guidance of Fr Abraham. On weekends they visit their families. Because of your kindness and generosity, I was able to help Upashana and Divya by letting them to stay in our home and sharing our food with them when they learn office work and computer skills so they can be on their own feet.

I'm happy to announce that we named our house after our **Lady**, the **Morning Star**. Morning Star means hope. And for us Christians our **Lady is our Hope**. And I hope you like the name of our home and I truly hope that all of you will visit us some day. Remember, there will always be room for you and if you haven't tasted Nita's cooking - well, you're missing out on something remarkable! Of course, I hope our home will be the answer for many needy children and young people who are looking for HOPE. And I hope **you** will continue to be the **hope** of our work for the needy children.

Some of you may have heard about some of the new changes in store for myself, Nita and a few others beginning in January with the resurrection of some of our old projects, dreams and hopes. We are all very excited and as everyone seems to say, the world over . . . we are "cautiously optimistic." Our next newsletter in 2010 will be full of our efforts and details . . . please pray it works out and gives us the skills we need to be self-sufficient. When we think back to almost being homeless, some 13 months ago, every one of us is so thankful to all of you who gave us a permanent address.


May the Infant Jesus bless us all and give us his peace and joy and love!

Merry Christmas to you all from all of us here in the Morning Star Home.

With much love, and thank you!  Cecilia & family.

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
THANK YOU!!! P.S. If you would like to have our X'mas cards, please contact: Kathy Martin at sasac1@comcast.net **THANK YOU!!!**



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