

A brief history of

HOPE

2009/10/11

The Beginning...

April 1994

Rwandan war turns to genocide
Thousands flee homes to ill-equipped
Camps in neighbouring countries



October 1994

First Container of aid sent to the Goma refugee camp in Zaire



1995

Aid centre established in Hall Lane Chapel
4th humanitarian aid container sent to Rwanda



Statistics of Hope



- ❖ Sent out almost 70 x 20Ft. containers with over 1,000 tons of aid to 15 countries
- ❖ Sponsored over 200 children in Africa and now over 20 in India
- ❖ Refurbished, repaired or helped build schools in Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda and India.
- ❖ Bought, equipped and delivered 4 ambulances & mobile clinics to areas of need
- ❖ Premises bought and refurbished for 2 orphanages in India
- ❖ Built 2 homes for the blind in India
- ❖ Built homes for child-led families in Rwanda
- ❖ Provided goats, chickens and farm equipment to needy families.
- ❖ Sent thousands of knitted clothes and blankets to Africa and Eastern Europe
- ❖ Supported education initiatives in South Africa, Uganda and Rwanda.
- ❖ Seeds of Hope project in Byumba.

1997

14th container sent in less than 4 years!
CHI becomes a registered charity. Ray of Hope (child sponsorship) launched.



1999

First CHI magazine. CHI buys collection van. Ambulance sent to Kosovo.



2003

Move to new premises on Elms Industrial Estate. Grand opening by Archbishop of Rwanda. Ray of Hope web site established



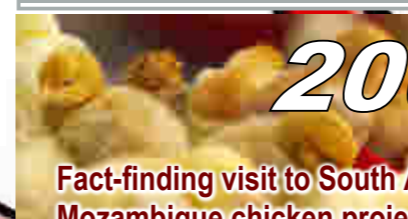
2001

CHI relocates from from shed at the end of Vic & Jan's garden to Baptist Church. Mobile clinic sent to India. Archbishop Kolini (Rwanda) becomes International President of CHI.



2002

Fact-finding visit to South Africa. Mozambique chicken project and child sponsorship created. Project vehicle delivered to Diocese of Kigali, Rwanda.



2004

Homes for child-led families in Rwanda. Ambulance to Shyogwe (Rwanda) Containers of Hope becomes CHI



nearly 70 containers sent



Purchase and equipping of new Indian orphanages at Coimbatore & Chennai.

2007



Vic and Jan attend opening of Indian orphanages. Homes for blind dedicated.

2008



Hope House Burundi Project to refurbish orphanage for 50 Children
Additional child sponsorship in Africa & India.
Malaria prevention at Kimwanyi Clinic in Uganda
Kibaale Vocational Centre
Harvest TOOLS
Hoping to follow where God leads us....

2005

Tsunami appeal. Indian Thirupuror orphanage opens. Move to current premises "Hope House". Collection van finally dies.....



David Stringer becomes new CHI Director as Vic Bull retires.



2008

Recent magazine covers

