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Covid-19 & Sierra Leone

Today's latest figures: 1,410 confirmed cases with 59 recorded deaths, 937 recovered.

I continue to be overwhelmed by the response to my teacher salary appeal. I have now received donations of **£5,360** (including Gift Aid) and still have some pledges to come in.

Once again I would like to say a sincere **THANK YOU** to **ALL** those who have supported the appeal which has enabled me to pay **ALL 83** staff an initial payment. I will be monitoring the situation regarding the staff situation and may pay a further "top up" for them if needed. Some donors have said that IF I don't need their donation for salaries I can use it for other projects.

DONATIONS ARE STILL WELCOME.

If you are interested please contact me by e-mail.

E-mails of appreciation

On behalf of the staff of the Calvary pre-primary school I just want to say thank you for the kindness shown to us, by you and your donor partners, during this difficult time. We have not been receiving salaries for the past three months because parents have not been able to pay their children's fees. We really appreciate your timely intervention. Thank you and God bless you all.

The staff in both the Liverpool junior and senior schools have received a surprise package of money as salaries from Mr Alan. This money was donated by well-wishers, with kind hearts who are "Making A Real Difference In Sierra Leone"

These teachers have been going through financial constraints as a result of COVID 19. It is almost three months without them receiving their stipends. This package has changed their livelihoods, as it can afford them to buy a bag of rice each. They have asked me to extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to you and your donors, for helping them in this time of need.

On behalf of the school community, management, children and the entire staff of both junior and senior schools, I want to appreciate your good will gesture for your continual support to our schools.

Rotary year 2019 – 2020

The Rotary year runs from July to June. As we approach the end of the year I thought I would summarise what has been achieved this year:

- Installation of a gravity fed water system providing 4 taps , 2 flushing toilets & sinks benefitting 1,500 people
- Built 3 school toilet blocks all with water harvesting & handwash stations
- Water harvesting installed on a two classroom block
- Converted an empty building into nursery classrooms
- Installed a water system into a science laboratory & purchased science equipment
- Purchased additional textbooks & library furniture
- Set up a micro credit scheme for 3 ladies
- Supported a community football Club including renovations to their hostel and day to day subsistence support
- Support for 3 teenage/young adult orphans including Momoh & his carer & family
- Sunny Girl project – supplying 350 girls with sanitary pads each month
- Supported 83 school staff during Covid

So far this Rotary year **£21,760** has been raised, with a few pledges still to come in, and **£19,800** has already been sent to the projects. None of this would have been possible without the great support I receive from a vast network of supporters and to each and every one of you a **BIG THANK YOU** for helping me to **"Make A Real Difference"**. Together we are **"changing lives & making dreams a reality"** Since I first started working with my first school in January 2007 just over **£264,700** has been raised. This has funded the building of:

- 32 classrooms (23 with water harvesting & 9 with mains electricity)
- 8 toilet blocks (6 with water harvesting and handwash stations)
- Installation of a well, refurbishment of another & the gravity fed water system

Plus many refurbishment projects & other support

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