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In 1992, Venerable Huili embarked on a journey to Africa. He established the first "Amitofo Care Center" (ACC) in Malawi during 2004, dedicated to caring for African vulnerable children and where more than 85% of world's HIV-positive children live. Today, many years later, the founder continues with his compassionate practice of Buddhism in Africa traveling to all corners of Africa, and helping countless precious young lives. Nowadays, he is known as the "African monk" or "Monk dad" in the eyes of thousands of children.

Have friends come from afar

Nhlangano is located in the southernmost border of eSwatini, not to mention remote and desolate, and it has a vague sense of isolation.

On December 4th, Ambassador Liang worked tirelessly and led his staff from afar to inspect the shelter care center and the campus, caring for the vulnerable children, teachers and volunteers in the shelter, and at the same time inspecting the care center's pandemic prevention measures to ensure everyone's mentally coping well, and health safety. Guided tours and presentations in the director's campus allowed the ambassador learned our value proposition is the importance of education for the most vulnerable so they are not excluded when the world continues to evolve and we implement the concept of fostering people for centuries to come.

Thanks to the embassy for its care to our shelter care center in eSwatini, whether it is the rice donation or the provision of pandemic prevention resources, with the strong donations from the embassy, the volunteers in the shelter care center can stand firm in their places during the waves of the pandemic.



Africa Story Taiwan Love

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In 2020, an unprecedented new virus storm will affect the operation of the world and threaten human health. The 10-month pandemic has exceeded 60 million confirmed diagnoses, and it is moving towards the record of 1.5 million deaths... In addition to medical backwardness, political factors, AIDS orphans, and food shortages, the fifty-four countries in Africa also have to face the threat of COVID-19. It is an indisputable fact that fundraising is not easy, but due to the epidemic, the original "Wish Africa. A Grateful Journey" event was forced to be postponed. In order not to make the sponsoring parents forget about these vulnerable children in need of their help, and to lead the public to understand ACC's philosophy of promoting education and helping the poor; The first part of "Walking for Love - ACC Story Exhibition". The Taiwan-wide tour photo exhibition was held on June 13th in Taipei's Bopiling Historic District. Now it has exhibit in Taoyuan, Xinbei, Hsinchu, Kaohsiung... etc., on December 5 and 24 in Hinoki Village, Chiayi The Chief Office is the finale of this year. This time at the Xingchuang Pavilion in Luodongxing Cultural and Creative Park in Yilan, the mode of "stalling" in the past eight days, is used to tell the history and growth of ACC. With the help of the supporters, ACC's sound education was constructed. The Malawian children studying in Taiwan selected to sing a Taiwanese song "My future is not a dream" in the land of Taiwan...

The first batch of graduates in 2017, such as Ash and others, have returned to their countries to implement the concept of "given by society and give back to society". In this way, the inheritance of education can give birth to the children's college dreams in Taiwan. To achieve the idea of spreading their wings and flying high with their hard work! I think it is because the power of love makes lone birds flock to live in the big family of ACC. Through the annual event "Wish Africa. A Grateful Journey", we read thousands of books. Travel thousands of miles to confirm what has been learnt, "turn textbook knowledge into life action!"

Just like in 2008, "Kung Fu Kid" Alu, famous for the act of "abdominal vacuum bowl" fascinating, now graduated from the martial arts and martial arts department of Chinese Culture University. From vacuuming a bowl in the abdomen to absorbing knowledge in the youth, education has reversed the destiny of children. Alu's water and land law at Taiwan's ACC in September will be devoted and attentively studied. He has a tall and dark complexion; the sponsor who has not seen him for a long time exclaims that this is the "Lu" he introduced to Lu Binghua back then?

Being grateful and willing to give is a kind of surprise and joy that "my family has grown up."

On November 13, including Malawi ACC children studying in Taiwan: Wanxiang from Kaohsiung Wenzao University, Wan Mu and Alu from the Department of Medical Nursing, under the escort of the reverend and staff, the five-year study course came to an end. "I will soon return to Malawi, continue to tell my brothers and sisters about African stories and Taiwan's love! Therefore, the "walking for love - ACC story exhibition" all presents the kindness of the Monk Dad, which brings together the power of sponsoring parents from all over the world, and builds a guardian network of "love without borders, the world is like neighbors".

This time, Ilan County Magistrate Lin Zimiao Dade the mayor of Luodong Township in 2012. Watched the children's tour and after eight years, she still remembered the "big love across the ocean"-the Monk Dad's, Venerable Master Huili's vision. In addition to actively providing the cultural and creative zone to show ACC's educational stories for free, she also gave a speech for the opening ceremony on December 26 during his busy schedule, calling on all the people in Yilan to visit and see the successful national diplomacy of sending love to Africa. In addition, the owner of Jhentea Longyuan Tea House next door turned out to be a long time supporter to ACC's Founder, and the cultural knowledge of Director of Madagascar Amitofo Care Center; let us deeply feel that we really meet everywhere in life. I took a group photo and was filled with happiness! Taiwan, the beautiful island, I see Taiwan's humanistic beauty, warmth and friendliness.

