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Dear friends,

More than two months ago our new name Green Impact was officially approved by the government. The old name gave the impression that everything we did had to do with solar energy. Now we are also making products that will use biomass as energy. Eventually the name Green Impact emerged, which stands for green products that have an impact in our daily life. We designed a logo with a red (impact) arrow pointing into a green letter G (green products). We also had to change our social enterprise into a regular enterprise (co.,ltd) because of inconvenient regulations. In the coming months we are changing things slowly but you can still use the old way for mail and financial transactions. A new website is under construction now.



A wonderful woman

Two months ago we received the news that Mrs. Ngoc had suddenly died due to kidney failures. In 2004 she joined us and often visited villages on her motorbike to see if there were people who needed our solar cookers. She made sure that those on the list received it and gave cooking demonstrations in coordination with the local women's union. She put a lot of energy in it. A few years ago she felt called to look after her grandchildren and stopped working. A beautiful little woman, educated and firm. The funeral took place at her home and all our workers who knew her attended it. Although it rained heavily before and after the funeral, the sun came through during the ceremony. We saw it as a sign from above for her faithfulness to serve.

Blessings in the mountains

Since our last letter we have been working hard to finish our new project of 2500 cooking stoves sponsored by friends from Holland. In the first week of December we were already able to load a large truck and handed out more than 1700 cooking stoves to the people in the mountains over different villages. Our workers could distribute them immediately. The hill tribes were so happy. After that we drove to Kontum, which is higher in the mountains and worked there with the local women's union. The stoves were distributed the next day in different places to a different mountain tribe. How happy and grateful these people were too. The leaders immediately asked for more and after a few weeks we were able to send the rest of the 2500 cooking stoves. It was so great to find sponsors in order to make and distribute these little stoves, in order to see lives changed.



Looking for new projects

An additional 2000 stoves are now being made. They are sponsored by us from profits of recent projects. It helped us to employ our workers. We are still open to provide assistance to NGO's or businesses. A great opportunity to help the poor and needy in remote areas. We have seen the benefits in places where people still cook with polluted stoves at their homes. The health of many women and children is at risk. What a blessing if we can help them together. It's also a great way to receive credits for foreign companies if they reached out to countries where they need these cooking stoves. Please contact us (use address below this letter) and we are willing to assist you in helping others in need.

Making resources available



The last few months we have been teaching FBT seminars in the mountains. One of the hill tribes were the Xe Dang. There are around 170,000 Xe Dang people in Vietnam. We felt they were very active because they were eager to put the FBT lessons into practice. For example, a special fruit is growing in their area, but they did not know how to use them in order to open a family business. The



fruit must be processed first before they can be eaten. The course helped them to be excited and now they are discussing how to work it out. It is often that people are surrounded by many resources but do not know how to proceed and make it available. The FBT course opened their minds and helped them to be activated.

Visitors from Korea

A film crew from Korea came to visit us. They were interested what we were doing. Most of them were staff of the Incheon Academy of Science & Art in Incheon city – South Korea. They wanted to know everything about our work and the products we have made and also our new clean cooking stoves. It would help the students to understand basic principles of using green energy. Our director led them around and was able to answer their questions. It was a rainy day, but when we showed our parabolic cooker, the sun came through one minute and we were able to burn paper. They had never seen this before and were very surprised. It made it more interesting for making a valuable documentary.



Christmas in our center

After a wonderful celebration at our center, we played our yearly Christmas exchange game. Presents were wrapped under the Christmas tree. If your number was mentioned, you could choose one of the presents. You had to open it and put it in front of you. The next person could take that present away or chose a new present from under the tree. The present in front of a person could only be taken away two times and



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Greetings,

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