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Book fair in the "Hofkerk" (Hof Church) in Oldenzaal.

We are delighted with the 1000 euros which were donated by the Hofkerk. Their book fair raised 650 euros, to which the church added 350 euros, which resulted in a total amount of 1000 euros. We offer our heartfelt thanks to Mr R Dreierink and Mr J. Hemme and all other contributors to this event.

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We are looking forward to organizing more activities in the future
THANK YOU.

Book faire Oldenzaal





"Harvest Gift 2007" destined for Sri Lanka

Press release

The proceeds of the "Harvest Gift" 2007 collection, which will be held during the annual Stöppelhaene festival, is destined for the reconstruction of the village and district of Nilaveli, an area on the north-east coast of Sri Lanka. The north-east region of Sri Lanka has been severely hit by years of war, and the Tsunami of December 2004. The Raalte "HAVONOS" foundation aims to contribute to the reconstruction and development of Nilaveli by providing structural aid in the fields of agriculture and social services.

In June 2006 Father Gunam paid a visit to the Netherlands and Havonos.



Father Gunam visiting Father J. Verweij



In the Raalte Basilica



Father Gunam together with Havonos board members Gift from Ben Lokate







1. Havonos would like to thank Wilde Ganzen en Twente voor Azië for their fantastic contribution of 30.500 euros for the Nivali project.

2. The Social Action Committee will use this amount to realize aims suggested by the local population:

- a. € 2.000 for the inventory of St. Joseph preschool
- b. € 8.000 to repair 20 houses
- d. € 15.500 for the construction of 20 toilets, showers and septic tanks
- d. € 5.000 for the purchase of brick-making machines, a work and training project.

3. In addition, Havonos made a contribution from its own resources:

- a. for the inventory of the St. Joseph school
- b. for the purchase of necessary goods for work and training projects.

4. With these amounts we can provide a stimulus to Nivali and its inhabitants towards self-support. If you are interested in the details and motivation for this project, [click here](#).

5. Father Gunam, founder of the Social Action Committee is currently in Europe at the invitation of a German church. At the end of June he will be our guest for a few days.

6. The flowerbulb-sales campaign in March-April 2006 was a tremendous success. We are happy with the proceeds of 1,500 euros. Our thanks go to the De Weerd family.

7. The staff manning the Havonos-stand on "asparagus day", selling coffee and soft drinks, managed to raise 227.80 euros. This includes donations. Many thanks.

8. The students of the Technical University of Delft have returned from their field research project in Nilaveli, Sri Lanka. They were moved by the circumstances in which people live there. They are also astonished that apart from Havonos no other Dutch organisation is active in this area. Together with his younger brother Alan, Daan Kazzaz is more motivated than ever to realize his graduation project in Nilaveli, north-east Sri Lanka. Havonos is desperately searching for sponsors who

are willing to support this great project. (Further details will follow)

9. Through the efforts of these students a gift of 4,000 euros was received. This money can be used to fulfil a fervent wish of Father Gunam. The money will be used for the construction of a new village/community centre, in which the inhabitants of Nilaveli and surroundings can gather, whatever their religion and origin. This community centre will also be used as a study centre. Educational programmes are planned to stimulate the inhabitants' independence. Both economic and social education is necessary.

Report visit to Sri Lanka

Jan Kerkhofs, (whom we have regular contact with and cooperate with in Nilaveli), returned on 10 March 2006 from a fortnight's visit to Sri Lanka, where he visited various projects. You can read his report at: www.ayubowan-yaluva.nl

Sale of Lily bulbs

Our sponsor, Asparagus and Bulb firm De Weerd, donated a stack of Lily bulbs (Dazzle) in the colours yellow and pink. We are very happy with these, but ... they need to be sold.

They are very cheap: 12 bulbs for only 5 euros (shop value 11 euros). The bulbs should be planted in April/May, so there are possibilities aplenty to sell them. That is why we are looking for people willing to assist us in the sales campaign. Schools, associations, choirs, companies, etc.

If you are interested, please let us know. We have order lists. You can also order via e-mail or phone. Help us help others! All proceeds will go to Havonos.

As you can see new pictures from Sri Lanka. Many articles were bought in school. But it is not sufficient by far. Many classrooms need to be rebuilt. Many children are without a complete uniform (no shoes and socks).

Also tables and benches are lacking. Fortunately, however, there are still people who support us, enabling us to continue rebuilding the course of daily life. Various companies supported us through a Christmas gift. Many thanks. The news featured an item about Sri Lanka. More than 280,000 homes need to be rebuilt. We don't need to point out what else needs to be done. The pictures that are shown on TV are from the south of Sri Lanka, not from the area in which we operate.



People, help the inhabitants of north-east Sri Lanka. Aid by the big aid organisations still has not reached Nilaveli. What if it were your child?