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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.

Where's Wally?

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Have you ever played Where's Wally? WHERE'S WALLY? Is a set of children's books created by British illustrator Martin Handford and the purpose of the series of children's book is to find a specific character in a crowded picture. The global reason in the popularity of the series, lies in the interesting pictures and the slow burn of time. There are hundreds of people doing various things in a series of complex full-page drawings.

Last October, The Second Scout Corps of the capital launched a themed photography activity: "Where's Wally?"

The purpose of this activity is to unite everyone due to the lack of contact as a result of the pandemic. Our team only took a week to find red and white clothes, but they couldn't buy them in town, so we used white paper to paste on stripes one by one. The fleece hats, shoes, glasses, crutches... were also collected as props. Queping with an easygoing personality, was selected as the protagonist "Wally."

On the day of the photography, more than 100 children in the second, third, and fourth grades were ready to clean, participate in sports, and play. Overwhelming, yelling and laughing, in the chaos we finished the fun and photographing.

Finally, I would like to thank the Capital Second Scout Troupe awarding the first place in this activity to the ACC Scout Troupe, which also makes the children happy and more than satisfied!

Now it's your turn, Where's Wally?



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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 shortages, 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 pandemic, the original "Wish Africa. A Grateful Journey" event was forced to be postponed. In order to reconnect the sponsoring parents with these vulnerable children in need of their help, and to lead the public to understand ACC's philosophy of supporting quality 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 were 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 Ashi 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 actions!"

Just like in 2008, "Kung-Fu Kid" Alu, famous for the act of "abdominal vacuum a bowl" fascinating, now graduated from the martial arts and martial arts department of Chinese Culture University. From "vaccuming a bowl" performance in the abdomen to absorbing knowledge in the youth, education has given a new destiny to children. Alu has a tall and dark complexion; the sponsor who has not seen him for a long time exclaims that this was the "Lu" he introduced to young Lu back then? Being grateful and willing to give is a kind of surprise and joy that "my family has grown."

On November 13, including Malawi ACC children studying in Taiwan: Wanxiang from Kaohsiung Wenzao University, Wanmu and Alu from the Department of Medical Nursing, in a five-year degree 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 District to visit and see the successful compassion and kindness 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; we felt deeply no one is alone in their lives. I took a group photo and was filled with happiness! Taiwan, the beautiful island, I see Taiwan's humanistic beauty, warmth and friendliness.

