

Life in Baidoa



The camels must be taken out to pasture every day. It is difficult to find something for them to eat in the arid land around Baidoa.

The queue builds up outside the clinic and people seek shade under the trees as the heat builds up in Baidoa.



A Somali boy plays with his hoop, a popular toy in Africa. Very few people in Scotland will remember when children played with a 'gird and cleek'. Simple pleasures make life bearable in hard times.



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Somalia Update



In our last issue we reported the plight of children in Somalia and told you about the work done in a clinic there you are funding. The war was just hotting up again as we posted the newsletter.

Some of our schools noticed that they had Missionary Children money lying in their accounts and sent it in, hoping that it could be used to help those children. It arrived in time for us to make a real difference there. The pictures below show conditions in Somalia.

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This is the small ward in the clinic in Baidoa. It is only equipped to give simple medical help. Children who need more complex attention must be sent to Mogadishu. The journey by road is dangerous at the best of times. War has only made it worse.

The clinic still gives attention to the sick children in Baidoa. Thanks to those schools who sent in their money we have been able to give some relief. Lets make sure the money gets to the poor children of the world while it can still help them.



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New Resources for 2007 – 2008

As we start this summer term we look forward to all the work that lies ahead. School Show, Award Ceremonies, School Sports and all the administration associated with the end of a school year. But never mind—the summer holidays beckon.

The MISSIO Scotland office is in a similar situation. In addition to the administration of the charities and reports to the Vatican we are also preparing our materials to be ready for delivery to you early in the new session. (Talk about wishing your life away!)

We always aim to deliver your backpack -top up bags in good time for the Mission Month of October. The printed materials are already with the printer and the CD-Rom is nearly ready. All we need to know is how many we need.

We really don't want to add to your heavy workload at this time of year so we can offer a range of ways of submitting an order. We need to know;

- The number of pupils in the school
- The number of classes
- The number in the intake (so we can send passports for them)

The numbers don't need to be exact. Round up to the nearest ten to allow for variations in the roll.

Make a quick estimate—we can deal with changes later—then;

- Complete the return on the opposite page and Fax it **OR**
- Complete the return on the opposite page and post it **OR**
- E-Mail the details to national.office@missioscotland.org.uk **OR**
- Call the office and tell us what you need.

If you have not yet had backpacks—don't worry that will show up on our database and we will deal with that automatically.

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Street

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Contact Name

Telephone

Order Details	
School Roll	
Number of Classes	
Intake number	

Other requests

How can we help?

Please contact me to arrange an assembly to give pupils more information about the good work they are doing for other children.

(tick the box)

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