

Rende Foundation, Shanghai

At the end of July, Wang Wanxin, the former Director of the Amity Children's Development Centre and the Home of Blessings, was promoted to General Secretary of the Rende Foundation, Shanghai. The Rende Foundation is part of The Amity Foundation. The SCCG has sent its congratulations to Wang Wanxin and indicated our interest in working with her in her new role.

Children's Centre

Zhou Bo has taken over from Wang Wanxin at the Amity Foundation's Children's Development Centre. The SCCG's Patricia Johnston sent her details about the Masters degree course in Inclusion and Special Needs Education, and Zhou Bo has now said she would like to undertake the degree training herself. This is a real encouragement for the new project.

New RC Representation

As you may know, a number of organisations and mainstream denominations are represented on the SCCG Management Committee. After a gap of some years, the committee are delighted to welcome Paul Graham as representative of the Roman Catholic Church. Paul, who was recently ordained into the Diaconate, is already connected with the SCCG - you may remember he went to Shenyang for us in May to deliver Spiritual Care (chaplancy) training.

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Spiritual and Medical Care Developments

We have been delighted to have received a recent full and encouraging report from our partners at Shengjing Hospital. This report covered spiritual, family and palliative care for patients, staff training as well as on-ward care.

Dr Wang Yumei also emailed us to say, regarding palliative care training, "In recent four months, we lead our Province to develop professional Palliative Care training which was supported by the Health and Family Planning Commission of Liaoning Province. At present, our province has set up a total of 17 pilot hospice care institutions, Our hospital is the training center for hospice care in our province. Medical staff of the 17 institutions have participated in our training. 100 doctors and nurses from our province were trained. This is a rare training program for Palliative Care in China. The response of the students was very good. They felt such training can bring them the professional ideas and skills they really need. The training was also supported by the government. Now, palliative care has become more and more important in China. This is a very encouraging thing. I believe that in the future with your help and support, we will go faster and farther."

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The constitution of the SCCG states that we are a membership organisation, and we're delighted to have members from all the main church denominations and from partner organisations in Scotland. Individuals can also become members. There is no cost, but membership ensures you are kept up-to-date with our work and activities. Contact Patricia Johnston if you'd like to know more (details below).

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Dementia & Care of the Elderly

The SCCG funded a training visit to Nanjing and Beijing in November by Mairi Houldsworth, Carer Co-ordinator at University Hospital Hairmyres, specialising in carers and dementia. Mairi was in Nanjing delivering dementia training, working with Amity Foundation staff on developing their Dementia Champion Programme.

Mairi shared some of her experiences via social media and said: "Nanjing day 3 was spent in the classroom talking about dementia... I've been nursing for 36 years now and dementia training/education is my main driving force. It was such a wonderful experience and very humbling. Such attentive and willing students."

There will be more photos online from Mairi's November visit and a full report in our next Newsletter.

Wear a kilt and raise money!

The SCCG has registered as a charity with **KiltWalk 2019**. A rural children's project, run by Rende Foundation in Shanghai will be the project that will benefit from any fund raising efforts. The dates for the walks are:

- Sunday 28 April 2019 in Glasgow
- Sunday 2 June in Aberdeen
- Sunday 18 August in Dundee;and,
- Sunday 15 Sept in Edinburgh

There is an entry/administration fee for the Kiltwalk but all your sponsorship money goes to the SCCG PLUS a 40% top up, donated by the Kiltwalk's sponsors. We will send you further updates about how to take part, and more information can be found on the Kiltwalk's website: www.thekiltwalk.co.uk

Oh, and you don't have to wear a kilt if you don't want to!

Current situation in China

Many of you may have read about recent events in China regarding the political situation, and its impact on ordinary people, Christians and churches. The current situation in China is extremely complex and fluid. However, one of the benefits for the SCCG is having long-established partnerships in China - we are kept updated and receive guidance from our Chinese partners. We are keeping close contact with them at the moment, and value your thoughts and prayers for on-going work.

'Scots in China'

The television documentary that looks at historical and contemporary ties between Scotland and China, and which features the work of the SCCG, is still (as we go to print with this Newsletter) scheduled for a winter broadcast on BBC Scotland. The documentary will be presented by Neil Oliver. We will try and let you know when it is going to be on, but in the meantime, look out for it in your TV listings!