

Liuhexiang Primary School Opening Ceremony on September 19, 20

A primary school building project
co-financed by the Chongren Foundation

The *Chongren Foundation* co-financed the modern, two floor primary school building for students of grades 1 to 3 in the farmers' village of Luohexiang, at around 800 m above the district city of Tongren. The completion of the project took more time than originally anticipated, due to very harsh winter conditions and because of new administrative approvals (deep soil inspections and stricter anti-earthquake regulations). But finally in mid August 2015, the new classroom building -- and the kindergarten building next door, financed by the Bank of China -- were ready for the start of the new school year in early September.

The Education Bureau of Tongren, the villagers and students of Luohexiang were, therefore, all very happy to welcome the representatives of the donors, of the *Chongren Foundation* in particular, to inaugurate the new classroom building on September 19, 2015. They expressed their very warmhearted thanks to *Chongren* for its financial contribution.

The mountain road from Tongren city to the new village of Liuhexiang took only 40 minutes, but was quite an adventure. But once arrived at the site and welcomed by the villagers and the kids, the pain of the journey was forgotten.



What a joy ...

To see the new classroom building being inaugurated by Guido, who generously financed the endeavor together with Dr. Mark Qiu



The candies as well as six foot- and hand-balls were enthusiastically welcomed by the students.

The villagers expressed their gratitude to both donors, i.e. the *Chongren Foundation* and Guido Cherubini, with a Tibetan statue.



Statue offered to Chongren

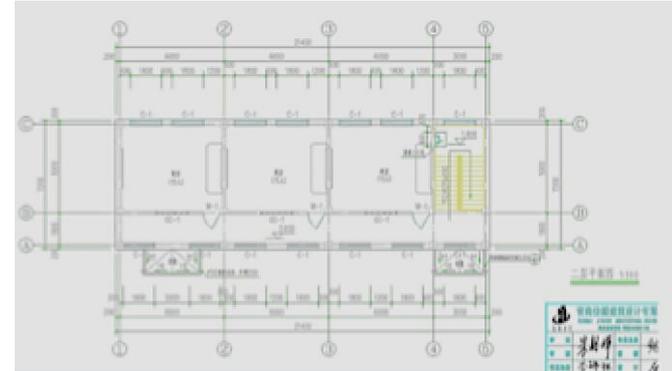




The quality is really outstanding for local conditions, modern, safe (to withstand earthquakes up to 8 on the Richter scale) and functional for teaching.



2nd floor floor, fully financed by Chongren



The new modern classroom building makes a real and big difference to the villagers and the students in grades 1-3. Without a classroom building the young students would have to stay in a boarding school in Tongren city during the week.



To express their heartfelt thanks, the villagers had prepared some simple local food to the visitors: freshly baked bread, yak yoghurt, butter tea and a mountain of lamb meat.

Thank you so much, Chongren Foundation, for generously co-financing the construction of a new class room building in the new Luohexiang village.





A smooth journey back to the district city of Tongren

For the *Chongren Foundation*
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