



# *Viet Nam Medical Assistance Program*

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Dear our family, friends and generous sponsors,

Once again I would like to thank you to join us in our VNMAP appreciation picnic. It is our honor and pleasure to have family, friends, and our donors to support us to make the mission possible. We have worked our best and put in the mission our heart so that we could deliver every mean of your support to the people who are in need in Viet Nam. Now, we are pleased to announce that the 2008 mission is over.

There is compelling news that I would like to share with you. After our team helped the residents in Tung Nghia Village in Lam Dong Province, Dr. Tan- our team doctor- realized that the root of most of their diseases was that the people did not have the clean water to drink and wash themselves. Currently, they have been using the water from the streams or depending on few old wells sponsored by the government. The quality of the water is extremely bad because they are poorly maintained as well as being overused by many people.

After identifying this problem, Dr. Tan has brought up an idea to the VNMAP Board and asked to initiate a project called “**Clean Water Project**” to raise \$6,000 from now until **September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008** to help to dig 6 wells in 6 villages in Duc Trong district, Lam Dong Province (Tung Nghia is one of the villages). The VNMAP Board has approved and launched this project. Therefore, any donations to VNMAP program from now until September 15<sup>th</sup> will be dedicated to this project. Fortunately, we have received an offer from a generous sponsor (who right now prefers to be anonymous) that he will fill up the gap from what we can raise to then to meet our goal. We, VNMAP members, are very excited to see how our little effort can help the residents in Duc Trong district to have a better health.

After the mission, we have received many requests from groups/individuals in the U.S. and in Viet Nam that contacted us to ask for collaboration in the future mission. Currently, we are remodeling our VNMAP program structure to make it stronger and more stable so that we can be more efficient in helping the students here to get better experience as well as delivering more meaningful help to the need in Viet Nam. We appreciate your trust and looking forward to working as well as having your support in the future.

Sincerely,

VNMAP Board and 2008 Team