

# Our vision

## Poor, downtrodden children can become role models for their country's future.

y name is Sereyrath. I am from Beantey Meanchey province in Northwest Cambodia. In 2006 I applied for sponsorship by Children of the Mekong's university programme as my sister and I were about to leave school for higher education and our family couldn't afford to support us both.

Children of the Mekong helped me a lot, supporting me financially and in my personal development. I was taken under the wing of the manager at the Phnom Penh Centre, and I acquired new skills. We are still in touch with one another via the Children of the Mekong alumni group.

After four years of study in which the language of instruction was French I graduated in economics and management, and then took a masters in international management. I subsequently worked in financial and managerial roles for a variety of Cambodian businesses before joining Children of the Mekong in the Sisophon office in 2020.



I am very happy with my job, which is to build up the Finance Department of Children of the Mekong in Cambodia. By playing my part in its development I am achieving my goal of contributing to the creation of a better society."

#### Sereyrath,

Director of Finance at the Sisophon Centre, who was once sponsored by Children of the Mekong herself, is now dedicated to helping other impoverished children.



Children of the Mekong is an international NGO with headquarters in France. Since 1958, Children of the Mekong has made it possible for poor children to regain dignity by giving them access to education. We are active in seven Southeast Asian countries: Vietnam, Thailand, the Philippines, Laos, Cambodia, Burma and China (Yunnan Province).

**Our mission** is to support, educate and train the children we have in our care. We improve their living standards and help them to grow intellectually, emotionally and morally.

Our values are: 1) respect every human being regardless of their circumstances, culture or religion, and 2) trust, loyalty and selflessness.



**OUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES** 



**1,300** development projects

87 French delegations and international offices (operated by volunteers)

97 local employees (in Asia)

60 overseas volunteers (the "Bamboos")

**36** employees in Europe

85% charitable expenditure

9% research and fund processing costs

6% administrative costs





Thank you for supporting us every day, for giving us the chance to be where we are. Without Children of the Mekong, I would not have been able to study. I would surely be working in my village's fields. I am going to do my best to succeed in my studies. You help us today, and later it will be my turn to help others in my society and in the world."

Dok Chon, Sponsored Child of Children of the Mekong



O "projects", are organised to improve the living conditions of poor children. We then create an environment suitable for their education. For instance, this can be accomplished by building schools and boarding houses, providing access to drinking water, and purchasing school supplies.

#### Our five criteria:

- → Local initiative : Our projects are set up in response to requests from the field.
- → **Objective :** They are designed to improve children's educational prospects and living conditions.
- → **Sustainability**: Our projects are long-term.
- → **Involvement :** We get involved from the outset to ensure that supervision is continuous and efficient.
- → **Local partnerships**: We ensure that all project partners (NGOs, companies, teachers, authorities and / or the church) share the same goals.

#### Our projects are eco-friendly:

- Wherever we operate we take concrete measures to respect traditional knowhow, employ locals, limit the carbon footprint, choose sustainable materials, and encourage self-sufficiency in food and energy consumption.
- We integrate training in ecology into our education programmes in France and in Asia in order to develop appreciation and respect for the sacred role of nature, and to manage the production and consumption of plastic and rubbish.

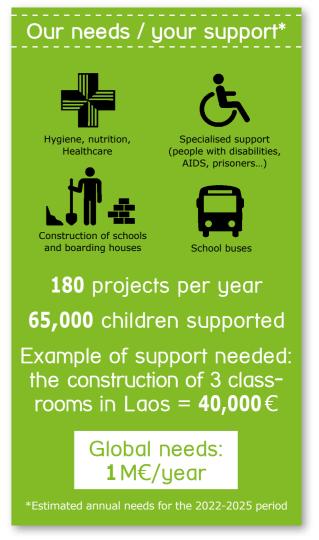
The Etincelle Foundation is a family foundation created in 2013 with the goal to help finance projects centred around education, childhood and women. We operate in French territories and on an international scale.

In 2014, I met the Children of the Mekong team from Asnières, France, and from there a cooperation was born that continues year after year. Children of the Mekong is first and foremost a humanitarian organisation that knows the challenges faced by the countries in which it operates, all of them located in Southeast Asia.

We financed a school in Kok Mun, in northern Cambodia, and could see when it opened just how committed were the Children of the Mekong "Bamboos" (international volunteers). In subsequent years we financed the construction of a boarding house for boys in Phrao, in northern Thailand, a further school in Cambodia, and several boarding houses in Myanmar.

The volunteers' seriousness in each country is a guarantee for success. Their drive and involvement commands our respect. Children of the Mekong offers both real expertise in the problems each country is facing, as well as a rigorous handling of the projects and a desire to help, train and make all of those children grow with benevolence. At Children of the Mekong, you really feel like part of a family."

Marie-Laure Brenier,
Founder of the Etincelle Foundation







II In my family, my uncle brought me up alone. He gets up early, goes to bed late and his health is deteriorating. I will admit, I cried with joy when I heard I was being sponsored. I am very serious about my studies and also actively volunteer to help other people in need."

Sponsored Child of Children of the Mekong



Thanks to Children of the Mekong, 23,000 children are helped by sponsors who accompany them along their journeys. Sponsorship allows a child to attend school. It gives a child the means to take their life and the life of their family into their own hands. Thanks to sponsorship, the child you are helping wakes up every morning and makes their way to school instead of going to work in a rice field or a landfill.

Our local managers know the families and their needs. In agreement with our Volunteers "Bamboos", they select sponsored children based on two main criteria: 1) poverty and 2) how motivated the child is to go to school (and their family to send them). As soon as sponsorship starts, the child is part of a Programme and is overseen by our local manager. They make sure the sponsorship is used correctly and that the child's needs are prioritised.

The local managers also call upon Children of the Mekong to help those in the worst situations. Children who cannot go to school in a traditional way are still sponsored. Children from a prostitution background, children with a physical or mental disability, young girls who were sexually abused, or children from the streets – all are supported thanks to collective sponsorship because they, too, have the right to love and be loved.

Beyond financial assistance, it is a bond of deep affection and moral support that is woven between sponsor and child year after year. The child will write between one and three letters per year to their sponsor, which will enable the sponsor to learn more about the child's everyday life.



In a part of this association! Wanting to take part in this adventure becomes contagious!"

Stéphanie,

Namphon's Sponsor



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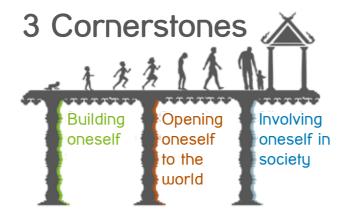
involvement in society **Shaping well-rounded** individuals Enabling access to education Creating the right environment for learning

The provision of education centres and boarding houses for young people is a strategic focus for Children of the Mekong. Education centres offer extra tuition to complement the local school, and for many children become a "second home". Boarding houses are for those who have lost their parents, live a long way away, or are simply in need of a secure environment.

The strategy has been successful in terms both of education and of personal development. Sponsored children who spend time at a Children of the Mekong centre will usually do better academically, while studying in a spirit of brotherhood or sisterhood they become more open, better motivated and more fulfilled.

#### HOLISTIC TRAINING

Education is not just about classroom learning; it is about developing the whole person. The aim of Children of the Mekong is to educate the mind, the body and the soul. So not only do we provide academic and professional training, but we also teach young people to know themselves (and others) something which sets our NGO apart. Ours is a pedagogical approach combined with holistic training in what it means to be a human being.



And it works! Three measures of success of our action in Cambodia:

- **798%** pass the baccalaureate (national average 64%).
- 7 100% of our children end up in a better environment than their families can provide.
- **7 100%** of our graduates find a job or a scholarship abroad within 4 months of the end of their studies.

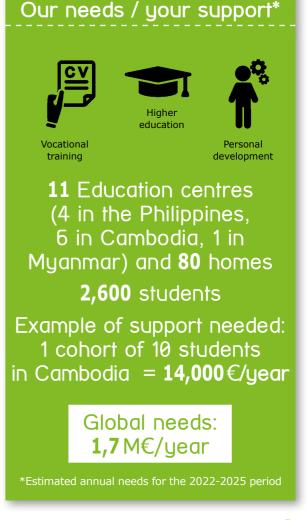
II To all young poor people, I would like to say that efforts can overcome obstacles, but for that we need to engage, persevere and fight ignorance. We are born poor, we cannot help it, but poverty is not inevitable, education can get us out of it and restore our dignity."

Loumang Seng, Sponsored Child of Children of the Mekong

We are sponsoring a student. What a joy to be able to support these deserving young people, to share their joys, their concerns, and their choice of direction! We are always so excited to receive regular news from the young ones at the centre; their perseverance and thirst for learning lifts our spirits!

We were able to go there, and it was a wonderful meeting. We hope to be able to return for their graduation ceremony. Congratulations to everyone at Children of the Mekong!"

> **Gaillard Family,** Célestins Fund



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Young people supported by Children of I the Mekong have, for the most part, very little knowledge of the professional world, and naturally imagine their future in the only positions they know (teacher, police officer...). Orientation and the development of a professional culture are, therefore, fundamental stages that encourage expression of the children's desires and talents. We support the children until their very first job.

Children of the Mekong has developed a complementary training course composed of numerous modules so that students gain confidence, initiative and responsibility. This programme also values the spirit of service: the children, in turn, provide services to the community (lessons for poor children, help for the disabled...).

Lastly, Children of the Mekong is developing strong relationships with local businesses (job forums, interview simulations...) to ensure a good match between the dreams of our young students and the needs of the labour market.

**MODULES OF** PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

**EMPLOYMEN FORUMS** 

ALUMNI CLUB

**ONLINE** 

UNIVERSITY **ORIENTATION** 

**SEMINARS** DEVELOPMENT

We ince 2014 the Artelia Foundation has been supporting Children of the Mekong by arranging for volunteers from all over the world (France, England, Italy, Morocco, Vietnam and the Philippines) to devote some of their annual leave to sharing their professional expertise with the charity's young people. Twice a year our volunteers spend time introducing them to the activities of Artelia, and, in particular, to the wider world of business in general. Links are forged in a series of incredible encounters, never to be forgotten. Our collaboration with Children of the Mekong is possible only because of the energy and vitality of its teams in the field, who do a fantastic job to ensure, amongst

#### Laure Daudin,

Operating Manager of the Artelia Foundation

other things, that we can work together in the best possible conditions, and that our

cooperation yields ever better results. We are full of pride and admiration for what

these young students do!"

II ife is learning about everything Laround us. Thanks to Children of the Mekong, we have learnt a lot of things that will be useful for our professional life. We have studied leadership, management, commerce and entrepreneurship. We have taken courses in philosophy, politics and social affairs, computer science and languages. We have learnt self-control, compassion, friendship and solidarity. And we now know how to write a CV and covering letter. All this to prepare us for the future of our dreams! Our time with Children of the Mekong was too short. During these four years, we grew up and learnt so much. We now have a new mission ahead

of us, which is life after graduation. But we will never forget that learning is lifelong. There is never an end to education."

Kimhuon,

Sponsored Child of Children of the Mekong









Example of support needed: Work placement Programme in Cebu (Philippines) =

45000€/year

Global needs: 150 K€/year

\*Besoins annuels estimés pour la période 2022-2025



# Our 6 priority action areas

#### 1. DISABILITY AND **CHRONIC ILLNESS**

65,000 have lost a limb in landmine explosions in Cambodia.

There are **80 millions** unexploded bombs in

15% of the population of **Vietnam** is disabled. **8,000** people die of AIDS in **Myanmar** each

The fate of the large number of children who have a chronic illness or disability is made much worse by lack of care - a consequence of the poverty of the remote rural areas and shantytowns in which they live. They are often left to their own devices, or even rejected by their own families.

In Buddhist countries disability is often attributed to karma, which means that it has to be accepted and nothing should be done to try to counter it. There is still much to be done for disabled children in Southeast Asia. More daycentres are required, and parents need to be persuaded that it is important to send all children to school, including the disabled.

"In my previous life I drank too much which is why after my reincarnation I was profoundly deaf. I decided to study hard to learn a lot and open a beauty salon. I want to make other people look good!" Phout, Laos



#### 2. REMOTE RURAL AREAS

€150 is the average monthly wage of someone working on the land in **Thailand**.

Only 30% of children on the island of Mindanao in the **Philippines** finish primary school.

More than 70% of the population of Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar lives in rural areas.

 $\boldsymbol{I}$  n rural areas living conditions are typically very poor. Children are set to work in the fields at a very young age. Exhausted by their labours, they often lack the concentration to focus on their studies even if they do get the chance to go to school.

Most families cannot afford to pay for secondary school, and university fees are even more out of reach. Education beyond the age of 15 is available only in big cities, or even, in some countries, only in the capital. For poor families from remote areas there are thus boarding fees to pay on top, making education even less accessible.

"I grew up in a remote village in the north of the country, near the border. Mu parents often go to Thailand to work because there is none here and the soil is poor. I am delighted to be going to live in a Children of the Mekong centre, where I will be part of a community. I want to be a civil engineer." Pagna, Cambodia

#### 3. DISPLACED PERSONS **AND REFUGEES**

100,000 people live in 9 camps in Myanmar and Thailand.

The camps were set up in response to 3 crises (affecting the Karen, Kachin and Rohingya peoples). They have been growing for the last 40 years, but the amount of aid on offer in **Thailand** is falling.

The big political crises and armed conflicts of the late twentieth century have displaced lots of people. Large refugee camps were opened close to the borders of Thailand at the beginning of the 1980s. That is where systematic sponsorship of disadvantaged children first saw the light of day. And it is out of this adversity that the bonds of friendship between Children of the Mekong and the peoples of Southeast Asia grew – a friendship that is strong enough to withstand any attack. Today COTM works to give displaced children access to education and to enable families to go back home when circumstances permit. While the camps that once housed boat people and land people may no longer exist, new ones have appeared to take their place, mainly in Myanmar.

"There's war in my country. For the last two weeks I've been living in a camp for internally displaced persons. I don't want to be a soldier, that's why I'm studying." Myu Lat Awng, Myanmar



# "If you differ from me, my brother, far from hurting me, you enrich me." Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

#### 4. SHANTYTOWNS

Most families in Klong Toey in **Thailand** live off less than  $\mathbf{1} \in \text{/day}$ .

In the shantytowns of **Vietnam** there are around **4,000** violent incidents every year.

In Manila, in the **Philippine**s, **40%** of the population live in shantytowns.

Rural flight and flows of migrants are being seen all over the world, with more and more people moving into or near to cities. This haphazard and often rapid growth in urban areas spawns shantytowns – of which Klong Toey in Bangkok is one example. It is inhabited by migrants from the countryside and refugees from neighbouring Myanmar. With no qualifications, and in some cases unable even to read or write, they work as day labourers. In these lawless enclaves children are at risk from drugs, prone to abuse and prey to recruitment by gangs. Wherever we work, Children of the Mekong strives to offer these young people a way out, through a rounded education.

"I live in Innayawan, which is notorious for its huge rubbish tips. I don't live here because it's beautiful or because it's ugly, but because it's the place that opened my eyes to the world. I've been a schoolteacher for the last 10 years. It was sponsorship by Children of the Mekong that enabled me to complete my studies." Juliet, Philippines



#### 5. EDUCATING GIRLS

**40%** of women have difficulty accessing medical care.

**30%** of women in **Cambodia** cannot read or write.

**65%** of women in rural areas work on the land without pay.

M ore vulnerable, victims of discrimination, and often considered to be a burden, statistics show that women typically receive far less education than men. Poverty results in more discrimination. In poor areas young women marry and have children early and girls are forced to carry out menial work in the home. This is despite that fact that in the past many ethnic groups in Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia were matriarchies, and women remain the mainstays of many families. An educated woman will fight even harder to ensure that her children get an education, and she will teach them what she has been taught herself.

"Two obstacles stood in the way of the fulfilment of my dreams: I was poor and I was a girl. I couldn't make it on my own; I needed a springboard. Children of the Mekong helped me overcome this double challenge."

Srey Mao, Cambodia



#### **6. ETHNIC MINORITIES**

The ethnic minority population of **Thailand** is **more than 600,000** strong.

The government of **Laos** recognises **49** out of a total of 240 ethnic groups.

In **Vietnam**, **14%** of the population belongs to 54 ethnic groups (Hmong, Jaraï...) recognised by the government

There are more than 350 ethnic minority groups in the countries of Southeast Asia. With their traditional costumes and dances they attract tourists but are often subject to discrimination or even not recognised by the majority ethnic group in power. Sometimes they are not even entitled to own land in their own country. Typically living in mountainous areas that are remote and isolated, they speak local dialects, and the children have difficulty learning the official language.

For decades Children of the Mekong has been working with these minority groups to find local solutions to the problems that they face, in order to improve their quality of life and to give motivated children the opportunity to get an education and find employment.

"In my village no-one can read or write, and no-one can speak Vietnamese. We all speak our own dialect. Working on the land is not enough to get by. My dream is for my child to get an education and become a village schoolteacher." Hoang, Vietnam





# Our Bamboos: volunteers in action



II amboos" are young overseas volunteers who work with Children of the Mekong in Southeast Asia. We have welcomed around 60 bamboos every year since 1989.Aged between 20 and 35, they spend a year or more in the field, helping us stay close to the children we are sponsoring. They are our eyes and ears on the ground, support the locals, oversee the operation of boarding houses and education centres, make visits to sponsored children, organise correspondence between children and their sponsors in Europe, supervise development projects, and ensure that our children receive a rounded education.

To fully understand the children and their local carers you have to live alongside them and their loved ones, and to share their tears and suffering as well as their laughter. Bamboos share the everyday trials and tribulations of the children and their families, of the programme managers and of the staff of Children of the Mekong. Their role is to further the emotional, moral and intellectual development of the children we are supporting so that they can grow into responsible adults who are keen to work for the common good.

Bamboos are engaged on a contract of International Solidarity Volunteering (Volontariat de Solidarité Internationale) which is defined by a French law of 23 February 2005, and backed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ministère des Affaires Etrangères). Only 25 charities are entitled to use the contract, which confers on post holders the following

benefits: a training programme prior to departure, a tax-free living allowance, reimbursement of travel costs, public liability and other insurances, social security, medical cover including the right to emergency repatriation if required, and post-contract support (eg in finding employment).

II\/ou have to show love before you can give help, and before you can show love you have to understand. We can only be effective if we understand the needs of the locals. Our guiding principles are loyalty, mutual trust and respect for diversity."

> **Christine Lortholary-Nguyen,** Children of the Mekong Administrator, Bamboo, Thailand 1990.



## "Bamboo bends but it never breaks." volunteer slogan



II n esponsible for a small boarding house, **\(\Lambda\)** coordinator of sponsorship programmes, and working at an education centre, my role is simple: to serve and to love. Involved in education you learn to give of yourself, to take responsibility, to go the extra mile for these young people who are our little soul brothers and sisters. You learn above all to appreciate the simple things in life, to take pleasure in small things, to learn to do without, and to show lots of love. I am motivated by the conviction that these poor people have the right, as do all of us, to be educated, respected and loved. They need us. We have been lucky. We were raised by loving parents and well educated in France. Is it not now therefore our duty to share our learning with those who have nothing, and to love them? Being a bamboo is one of the most beautiful human experiences that I have ever had. And I will be able to draw on it throughout my career."

> Isabelle Blanco, Bamboo Cambodia 2019-2020

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"I HAVE A DREAM": ENCOURAGING YOUNG PEOPLE IN FRANCE to fall back in love with education

Saia get an education and to take control of their own destiny. Every day brings amazing new stories: stories of success, of journeys through life which are full of hope. The achievements of the young people we support demonstrate the value of education; they appreciate that it is education which is the key to fulfilment of their dreams. In France lots of pupils think of school as a duty, or as something which constrains them, or even as something to be endured. They need to understand why it is important, and to learn from role models who can help them to see how to make their dreams a reality.

"I Have A Dream" is a project built on the testimonies of children from the shantytowns and the refugee camps who have managed - thanks to education, and to their own hard work - to escape poverty and to live their dreams. Their accounts serve to remind us that to be educated is a great privilege. For more than 25 years now Children of the Mekong has been taking that message to schoolchildren in France. We are not paid to do so; we simply want to help young people understand the importance of education.

#### Our objectives:

**Awareness:** help pupils to see the bigger picture, and change the way they think about school and work, using case studies of young people who have - thanks to education - managed to achieve their dreams

**Involvement:** interact with pupils on the value of education. What is the key to making their dreams come true?

**Commitment:** in some parts of the world there are young people who cannot get an education. How can schoolchildren in France help them (individually or collectively)?

#### What we offer:

#### Interactive sessions delivered free of charge:

- Anywhere in France or other French-speaking countries
- By trained volunteers
- To pupils of all ages
- In any type of school
- Featuring compelling case studies and content developed in conjunction with teachers
- With a handout for participants to take away
- And a teacher's kit containing materials to facilitate examination of the topic in more detail.
- **7** For more information visit: **jaiunreve.org**



**L** ducation is your most precious jewel; education is what will light up your future."

Sinet Sem,

pharmacy student sponsored by Children of the Mekong

Inow realise how lucky I am to be getting an education, even if I don't always feel like going to school. On the other side of the world they'd love to have the same opportunity! This project has brought home to me what it's like to grow up in Asia. It's also made my family more aware because I was really affected by Y Nung's story and keen to discuss it with them. This project has made me take stock of my life, and brought home to me just how fortunate I am to have such great opportunities."

#### Chloé (Year 10),

Démotz de La Salle College (Haute-Savoie)



This project is a wonderful opportunity for young people in France to open their eyes to the world, to find renewed motivation in their own studies, and to appreciate fully what is meant by that word they hear so often: solidarity."

Céline Martinage,

Pablo Picasso School (Essonne)



### MEKONG SILKS, A PIONEERING ETHICAL **FASHION BRAND**

Mekong Silks is a community-based social enterprise which provides around sixty women with a means of making a living, and as a result supports 350 inhabitants of a remote village in a very poor area of northern Cambodia. "Behind every scarf there is the story of a woman".

Proud and fulfilled, our staff lovingly craft products of an exceptional quality whilst ensuring that the traditional skill of weaving on a handloom is not lost. They are now able to provide for their families, whilst enjoying more independence and a better quality of life.

Set up in 1991, Mekong Silks proves that it is possible to marry a responsible approach with exceptional quality and high fashion.

For more information visit: soieriesdumekong.com contact@soieriesdumekong.com Tél.: + 33 1 47 91 70 20

My name's Chan Ream. I live 5 kilometres from Banteay Chhmar. I'm married with a daughter. I love weaving fine silk and I'm very happy. I thought silk weaving would be too difficult for me, but thanks to the great trai-

> Chan Ream, Seamstress

ning I've had here I am: a silk weaver for Mekong Silks!"

# WHY TRUST CHILDREN OF THE MEKONG?

#### WELL-KNOWN ORGANISATIONS THAT SUPPORT US

- 7 At the service of the poorest parts of Asia since 1958.
- → Strong references:















7 Laureate of the **Human Rights Prize** of the French Republic in 1990.

#### CERTIFIED FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

- 7 An IDEAS Certification: Since 2011, IDEAS attests to the excellent level of governance, financial management and efficiency of our action.
- **Accounts certified** by an auditor and available online at www.enfantsdumekong.com.

#### A DIRECT ENGAGEMENT IN THE FIELD

- → A strong presence in Asia: 60 volunteer "Bamboos" audit and control each of our programs.
- **980 volunteers** in Europe, USA and Asia.
- Charitable expenditure rate of 85%.

#### YOUR DATA IS PROTECTED

7 Founded in 1958, Children of the Mekong has never shared any of your personal information with any third party, and will in no circumstances ever do so, unless this is required by law.

#### A RETURN ON SUPPORTED PROJECTS

- A thorough and personalised follow-up: each supported project is the subject of a customised report (financial assessment, photographs, accounts and impact assessment for the beneficiaries).
- And especially... We welcome you to our centres. Come and see the efforts you support, or could be supporting, on-site in Asia!

"We want to highlight the professionalism of your organisation, the administrators' strong commitment to its functioning and strategy, the opening of the association to the outside world, as well as its efforts towards transparency and communication."



# Your support

#### If you wish to donate it is simple.

#### UNITED KINGKDOM (www.childrenofthemekong.org)

By Online Payment: https://www.childrenofthemekong.org/donate/

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We can provide a **tax receipt** for every donation.

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Account name: Children of the Mekong - Account number: 502-538382-001

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By Bank Transfer: ask us for details of our Euro (EUR) or dollar (USD) bank accounts.

**By Online Pyament:** http://www.enfantsdumekong.com



## "What is not given is lost."

### Father Ceyrac

**T** t was more than sixty years ago that Children of the Mekong first created friendly ties ■ between families in Europe and impoverished families in Asia.

Many of us may wonder why we were born "on the right side of the divide". It seems to me that we all have our share of joy and pain, and that one answer to this question would be that it was to give meaning to our own lives.

Loving, helping and supporting Children of the Mekong could enable you to find that meaning. We would like to help you find some answers. If you are looking for meaning

in life and want to make a personal commitment, if you value efficiency, transparency and innovation, and if you respect a humane and professional approach, then give us your support! We work on these things day after day.

And if, like René Péchard, founder of Children of the Mekong, and all of us following in his footsteps, all you want is to simply "give of yourself, and be open to marvellous surprises" then please do join us.

Why Children of the Mekong? Why Asia?

and why not? Come and see! Hank you for your trust



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Thank you!

