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Here is the latest update for your sponsor child. Thank you for your continued support and prayer as we help bring love, hope and opportunity to China's abandoned and disabled.

Long Hanwen

Age: 8

Birthdate: October 5, 2010

Home: Changsha

Gender: Male



Long Hanwen has been in very stable condition over the last four months. He had a little cold in July and his throat appeared a little red, so he received an injection and some medicine from the medical department and recovered quickly. All the caregivers in the room love Hanwen and greet him every morning. Long Hanwen responds with a sweet smile. He has had a very good appetite over the last few months, enjoying all the food he eats. Sometimes, when he has to eat things he's not so keen on, he will frown or cry transiently, but if someone distracts him he will be fine!

Wenwen recently moved from the Light House to En Quan Yuan in a room re-shuffle, so it has taken him a little while to adjust to his new environment. His caregiver has been very deliberate about taking him out and around the Welfare Centre that En Quan Yuan is housed in, to get him familiar to his new surroundings. The caregiver also tells him about what each part of the building is used for.

In his lessons, Hanwen has been working on improving his hand strength, by holding a heavy stone in his hands. He can now hold it for a minute without dropping it. He puts his hands up to answer his teacher's questions with greater accuracy than before and he uses some simple sign language to express his personal needs - including saying goodbye and indicating that he wants to sleep and eat. His knowledge has also improved; he can now identify different animals by the noises they make. Wenwen's therapy sessions have been focusing on controlling his head and arms. He has to lie on his front and support himself with his arms to strengthen them. If he's in a good mood, he can lift his head and upper torso up really well. He can also do sit-ups well. However, if he is feeling ill, he struggles much more to support himself with his hands, which impedes his strength training.

In June, one of Hanwen's sponsors came to visit him. He was so happy about this! In July, he went swimming in Changsha Social Work College. He was very excited when he was in the water; it was an unforgettable experience for him!

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