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*Ryder - Cheshire International Centre for the Relief of
Suffering*

“RAPHAEL”

Dehra Dun, U.P., India

“This is the story of one of the greatest acts of humanity of our time.”

— Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Founders:

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The Ryder-Cheshire Foundation

The Foundation is a world-wide organisation, whose aim is the giving of a better life to some of the many millions of chronically sick and helpless people throughout the world, regardless of race, colour or creed. It endeavours to develop in the more prosperous countries a spirit of concern and an awareness of their responsibility towards their less fortunate neighbours.

The Founders

As a wartime bomber pilot, Group Captain Cheshire's deeds were legend—he led numerous bomber raids on Europe, commanded the famous Dam-Buster Squadron, and pioneered the marker bomb technique.

Since the war he has devoted himself to the cause of the chronic sick, and from the United Kingdom, where there are 40 Cheshire Homes, the movement has spread through Europe, Asia and Africa, as far east as Hong Kong, Singapore and New Guinea.

Sue Ryder-Cheshire is famous in her own right for her work amongst the survivors of the Nazi concentration camps in both East and West Europe.

Our Australian Interest

“RAPHAEL”, the International Centre for the Relief of Suffering, is named after the archangel of healing. It is situated in a wooded estate at Dehra Dun, 150 miles north of the capital, Delhi, in northern India.

The purpose of “Raphael” is not to provide just a shelter where those who cannot fend for themselves may be protected, but to offer the opportunity of a new life: a sense of purpose where previously there was none.

Funds are urgently needed for the maintenance and completion of “Raphael”, which at present comprises:

- a leprosy colony housing 120 people*
- a unit for 65 mentally handicapped children*
- a home for 40 destitute children*
- the first two 40-bed wards of a modern hospital for chronic sick.*

The Cheshires hope to increase the numbers to 600 adults and children.

Among the many voluntary workers are young Australian girls who are training Indian helpers. One Australian, especially trained to teach retarded children, worked there for two years with great success, and this work is now continuing under an Indian teacher.

How Victoria is Helping

The Ryder-Cheshire Foundation (Victoria) maintains “Raphael” for three months of each year, at \$3,000 per month. It has also built “Victoria Cottage” which, at a cost of \$2,000, provides four separate homes for leprosy couples.

Why Should We Help?

We Australians are amongst the most fortunate of the world's peoples, with standards of prosperity and wellbeing that are second to none. So we do well to remember the less fortunate by sharing with them a little of our abundance. Every contribution, however small, even if it helps only one individual, contributes to the solution of the great problems which confront the millions in Asia.

How Can We Help?

★ By paying \$2 per annum to become a financial member of The Ryder-Cheshire Foundation (Victoria).

★ By gaining the support of Church Groups, Clubs or school friends for fund-raising activities. The Foundation is happy to provide films and speakers whenever required.

★ By donations.

★ By gifts of clothing and blankets.

★ By purchase of Ryder-Cheshire Foundation Christmas cards.

★ By supporting the functions organised by the Foundation or any of the Support Groups.

★ By the “adoption” or “endowment” of a patient or child at “Raphael”. This is a very personal way of giving help and appeals especially to Groups, Clubs and Schools. The annual cost ranges from \$50 to \$100. “Adoption” covers food, clothing, medical attention and education. “Endowment” covers the costs of accommodation and the necessary maintenance of existing buildings. In each case the sponsor receives a photograph, details of background and regular news of the patient or child.

PLEASE PASS THIS ON TO A FRIEND