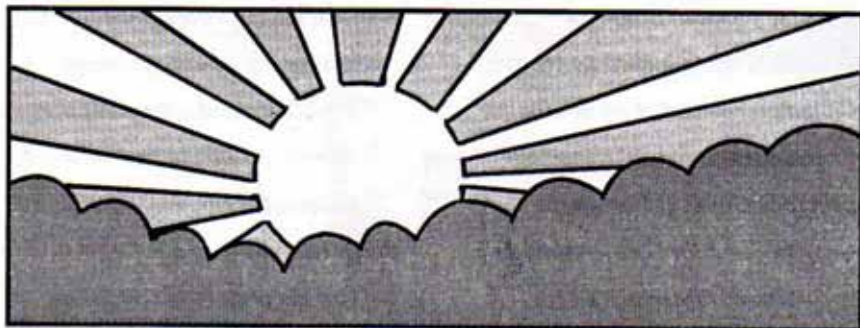

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Disabled Adults & Youth Being Rewarded, Encouraged & Accepted in Kinta

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The Vision of Daybreak

Daybreak has grown rapidly since it was officially launched on 17th October 1992 by the Menteri Besar, YAB Tan Sri Dato' Seri Ramli bin Ngah Talib. Our aim is to help the disabled in Kinta to find a meaningful place in society. It is the first centre of its kind in Perak that is aimed at enabling the disabled to be trained in specialised skills and to produce

and retail a range of goods and handicrafts. We provide training for women in sewing, smocking and making of quilts and for men in painting of T-shirts, ceramic and shoes. Some of our trainees have been successfully placed in factories and companies on a permanent basis after being instructed for a year at the Centre.

Daybreak Centre expanded its services and set up a Gopeng Training Centre in 1993, as this enabled us to reach out to more disabled people who were living in Gopeng -- Lawan Kuda -- Jeram areas. We are indebted to the Canadian High Commission for financial aid in establishing this centre in Gopeng through its Canada Fund for Local Initiatives programme. A Men's Training Workshop cum Hostel was also established in 1994 at No. 7, Jalan Koo Chong Kong, Ipoh. This shop premises has been leased to us without charge by a philanthropist, Puan Sri Rosalind Foo.

The Vision of Daybreak is to have the buildings for training,

production, administration and hostel in one locality instead of in three different places as at present. We could then increase the number of disabled trainees with the improved facilities and realise our objectives more effectively and efficiently. We now launch out in faith to fulfill this Vision of Daybreak. A generous donor has given us a suitable site for this big project in Pengkalan, Ipoh. Our prayers are for sufficient funds to be available and for a smooth completion of this huge building project. It would be wonderful to celebrate our Sixth Anniversary of Daybreak Centre (17th October 1998) in our new premises!



Flash back:

The Launch of
Daybreak Centre by
the Menteri Besar
on
17th October 1992

Testimony of Vincent Mok

Vincent Mok is an employee in our Men's Workshop. He had a serious illness as a child and as a result his left arm and leg became semi-paralysed. After undergoing regular physiotherapy treatment his condition has much improved. This is Vincent's testimony:

"I started my schooling in SRK Cator Avenue and later I moved on to a Chinese secondary school for three years. Before going to Daybreak Centre, I worked in few other jobs. I was not happy working at these jobs. I could not

get along with some people at these places of work. Then one day I went to Daybreak Centre for a job interview. Two months later the Centre called me for training as a painter. My life has changed since then. I was trained to do Chinese brush painting on greeting cards. I also painted on T-shirts, ceramic and shoes. I have now found more confidence in my work. I have a steady income and meaning in life. I have also many friends and have learnt to paint well. I sometimes go for social gatherings and outings that have given me a chance to open



Vincent receiving his prize from Linda

my world. I receive much encouragement in the Centre. I like to give thanks to God because He has changed my life. I like to thank everyone at Daybreak Centre for their support and love."

A set of eight paintings by Vincent was selected by Pan Malaysian Pools Sdn. Bhd., Kuala Lumpur. The paintings were used as designs for its corporate greeting cards. A generous cash payment as well as an expensive Pewter Clock were awarded by the Company for his outstanding paintings.

How Can You Help Us?

Our shop has a full range of useful items for sale. Whenever you buy any item from Daybreak Centre you will be helping disabled people besides acquiring something that is beautiful and well made.

Alternately, you could send us a donation for this charitable cause. We will be grateful for any amount given to us. Cheques should be crossed and payable to Daybreak Centre.



BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY GIFTS !

We have many beautiful gifts for your loved ones ranging from stuffed toys, smocked dresses, towels, hand-painted t-shirts and shoes, quilts, smocked cushions, hand-crafted cards, framed

pictures, vases, mugs and colourful wall hangings.

We will be happy to gift wrap all presents bought at our store.



We're at:-

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Our Business Hours Are:-

9 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)
9 AM - 2 PM (Saturday)

