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根據 Report on the Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic December 2000, 全球愛滋病感染者及愛滋病患者估計總數為三千六百一十萬人





NON-ECONOMIC REFLECTIONS on the Asian Economic Crises

The other day I was reading a news magazine. In one column, it said that the size of the Chinese economy would exceed the US in 25 years. In another, it said the future of Hong Kong was doomed. All of a sudden I felt unbelievably ashamed of myself. Were we not looking down on our fellow Chinese only a couple of years ago? In that afternoon I started to muse over why I discriminated, what discrimination was about and finally that dreadful bug called HIV.

Born and educated in Hong Kong, I grew up with a set of values that were so inculcated in my mind that they had become axiomatic. No questions asked why all of us should excel in exams, talk fast, save time, and of course be smart. The very reason why I went to medicine was that this was a valued goal in my times. I never really bothered to think of anything else. When I grew up, I also joined the others in making fun of our neighbors, those Mainland hillbillies who were poor, shabby and illiterate. We Hong Kong Chinese took pride on our economic achieve-ments. This marvel of monetary excess blinded us, so much so that we had this illusion that we were probably superior.

Thus came racial discrimination against all who were not as fortunate. Southeast Asians and the Mainland Chinese bore the brunt of our new found ego. In the process, we gave emphasis on our own little achievement of money and disregarded areas that needed improvement: compassion, empathy, that elusive human touch.

And doesn't it make you feel good, regarding somebody as inferior to you? I hate to say so but I do. Besides, it makes you feel more united with you own kind because it is us and them, black and white.

Unfortunately black and white can be reversed. Those who were underdogs have been working hard while we were sneering at them. And after all we are not that superior. One Asian economic crisis shattered not only a lot of dreams but our self esteem. Relentlessly, the Chinese in China just refused to stop getting richer. With great reluctance we have come to realize that our survival now actually depends on the very people we once despised. According to our value system. We now have become the have-nots, deserving to be despised. Believe it or not, we are indeed changing our attitude. I have heard of students planning to go to college in China - not the US, Canada or Australia. A lot of people are making China their second or even first home, with their kids studying there. This is a hard pill to swallow. It is great that China can stand tall in the world. However looked down on them in the first place, it would not have been this hard to bear. Right now, I just feel embarrassed. Mind you, this barren rock known as Hong Kong might lose out not only to the Mainland by countries which are undeveloped today but sure have a lot of natural resources to develop.

It is time to take a humble look at ourselves, and restructure our value system. Instead of measuring one's worth by money, it is time we examined what constituted human-ness. I hope you have not forgotten what you learned from elementary school. We were taught love and compassion. Indeed these are the true measures of humankind that will stand the test of time. For those of you who are Christians, you will not forget Jesus taught us to love even our enemies.

We all have to do our soul searching to re-establish our values based on acceptance, respect and love. A logical first step is to remove whatever discrimination that is still going on now. At this point, I start to reflect on HIV.

The plight of people with HIV/AIDS in Hong Kong needs no introduction. All walks of life step on them in all imaginable ways. In terms of social distance, an academic way of measuring discrimination, PWA takes the lead. Discrimination comes 轉後頁...... from the uneducated and educated, men and women, adults and elderly. Hopefully children are exempted.

HIV is a virus whose intelligence surpasses you and me. It knows our weaknesses and takes advantage of them. First of all, we are a panicky people. When the real estate went up, we panicked and bought more of it. So when we know HIV is deadly and can pass between us without our knowing it, we panic and look for reassurance that we are not that vulnerable. I may have multiple sexual partners but I will convince myself that it is not THAT multiple. I also told myself that since I never shot up, I should be immune to HIV. The more I try to have my peace of mind, the more I am convinced that PWA is not one of us. They are different, minority, strange, decadent.....

By had mouthing them, I am starting to feel that I am not one of them. And I feel good. Or do I? I have forgotten compassion and respect. I have disowned Jesus who taught me love.

Please be assured that if we continue our maltreatment of people with HIV/AIDS, the virus will get us all. The situation in Africa where 4 out of 10 women are positive for HIV is real and can happen wherever there is discrimination. It is because disdain drives people away from knowing their own status. By not knowing we do not use precautions. And the virus spreads. Hate and discrimination just do not pay. Some time ago I had a most interesting conversation with an obstetrician. He opposed testing pregnant women in Hong Kong. When asked why, he said 'C' mon, who would want to operate on a patient with HIV? I was speechless.

We are at war with the virus. The only way to treat our casualties of war is respect and compassion. We need to learn from them the secrets of overcoming the virus. We also need communication with them to humble ourselves and understand that you and I are equally at risk. This reminds me of Confucius who said, 'the great will love from his heart; the wise will know better than not to love.' Either way, love is our secret weapon against HIV.

以上是一篇以英語撰寫的讀者來函, 現以原文刊出, 各位讀者閱後又有何感想? 紅絲帶中心踏入今年五月便四歲了,藉: 諧社區」的大型活動。活動主要是環繞着:

葉童小姐:

些香港市民的

心

「讓愛滋病患者站出來説 話,好讓大家多些機會瞭 解他們。」

謝霆鋒先生:

"Hi, I'm Nic. Please stay strong! Fight the disease, I'm with you all! If there is anything I can do, please contact me! Best of luck!"

「不單」

愛滋病

場千雄小姐: 「其實每一位朋友, 都應從個人出發, 學習保護自己及接納 受愛滋病影響的人。 我更希望每一位愛滋 病患者和受病毒感染的 朋友,能積極面對人生, 並充滿信心,亦要緊記我們 是你的朋友,每一分每一秒 都在關懷和支持你。」

婦女:

「我是家庭主婦,既要照顧家人, 亦關心社會及社會上為生活而奮 鬥的人。」

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一群青少年:

「在普羅大眾的眼中雖然對愛滋病有所認識,但其實不甚了解,對着愛滋 病的受害人始終難免有不接納及歧視的存在,特別是在傳媒的渲染下更令 人感到嚴重化,從而敬而遠之。只期望藉多加宣傳正確愛滋病訊息,能真 正接納與關懷愛滋病患者!」「歧視不存在,正是人間愛」 着四週年的來臨[,]中心舉辦了一個「共創和 愛滋病患者也需要別人的接納與支持。

屋邨街坊:

「我哋往喺同一屋邨,friend到好似親人一樣, 其實社會上仲有好多人需要我哋關心同支持。 社區和譜D,住得開心D。」

方力申先生:

「既來之,則安之。與病魔對抗,一是 靠日益進步的醫學。二是靠自己的意 志。如籃球名星魔術手莊遜是一個好榜 樣。他自九二年染病以來,至今仍活躍 在運動場及商場上。」

謝偉俊先生: 「法律面前,人人平等;愛滋病人 亦有權得到社會人士公平對待。」

李碧心小姐:

「接納愛滋病人,支持他們接受 治療,這樣做亦等於幫助到社會 上每個人。」



小女孩: 代書要爸爸媽媽的愛和關懷,

 患者也需要別人的接納與支持!

關禮傑先生:

「從小就開始向兒童灌輸性 知識,請大家不要畏懼愛 滋病患者。」

報販: 「現代資訊發達,我們應該好清楚愛滋病並不 可怕,人與人的接觸更能增加了解。」

恭賀 愛心小兔亞比成為

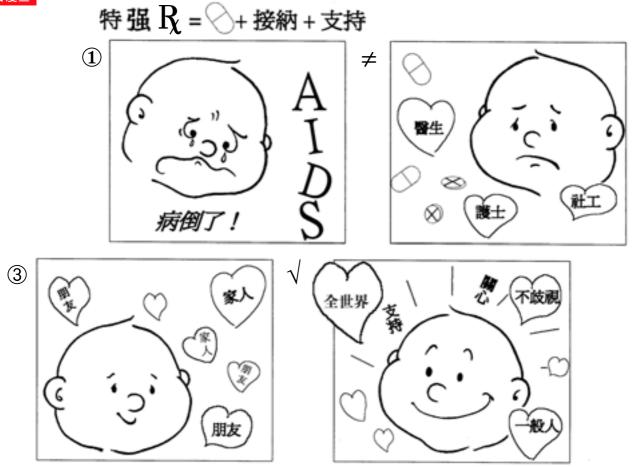
香港社群關注愛滋病約章 約章大使

我是愛心小免亞比,我一出世,媽咪就同我講:「人生沒有愛, 就只得一半精彩。」在一個偶然的機會,我認識到香港社群關注 愛滋病約章,約章的目的是加強市民對愛滋病的認識,宣傳愛滋 病的預防方法,並且鼓勵社會人士接納愛滋病病毒感染者和愛滋 病患者。而我已於二〇〇一年六月二十二日簽署成為約章大使, 並按照『亞比宣言』的內容所述一樣,身體力行,實踐對愛滋病 患者及感染者的接納和關心。

亞比宣言

- ♥ 多一點闢懷・少一點歧視。關心 愛滋病人・生活更添意義。
- ♥ 坦誠接納愛滋病人・互助 關心你我必能!
- ▼ 一二三四五六七・岐視愛滋患者 唔尋得!
- ♥ 愛滋病人・你我關心・不喜敵視・ 共建美好世界。
- 社會大眾人人平等・認識愛滋身體力行 愛人如己亞比精神。
- 我尋以無比的愛心和耐心去闢懷和接納 愛滋病毒感染者和患者。
- 我不會歧視那些患有愛滋病的人,我會把他們當作 我的朋友,一起玩耍,一起談天。
- ▼ 支持接納與關心・尤勝千言和萬金・愛能戰勝心中懼・ 暫上既結顯潛能!
- 點滴的關懷與愛心・正是延續愛滋病患者生命的強心針・ 我願意像平常人一樣對待他們。





紅絲帶歷程100申請表

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