

## Editor's Note

With this publication, we are aiming to reach not only specialists in the field of leprosy elimination, but a much wider group of people who might not have given much thought to the leprosy elimination campaign before. It is our hope that, if we can obtain the understanding of the general public, we will truly be able to achieve the 2005 elimination goal. Your support is invaluable.

As you may already know, this issue's focus was on the 2003 GAEL meeting in Yangon, Myanmar. Since that country achieved elimination this past January, next time, we plan to do a special feature on Myanmar and its elimination campaign.

We will publish this newsletter at least six times a year. From next issue, we hope to begin publishing not only hard, factual articles about organizations and movements within the field, but also print more human stories about people working in the field, people who have been affected by leprosy, people who have made a difference in the lives of those around them. For this, we would like to appeal to our readers to offer your advice, comments and whatever stories you have to contribute. In this way, together we will make this newsletter a deeply meaningful tool, delivering messages that need to be heard, to people around the world.

Walk together with us over the course of this final mile of our 100-mile journey. We look forward to hearing from you and working with you.

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