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**Mentally Handicapped Children & Families Educational Project**

A Programme for Children / Young People with Learning Disabilities

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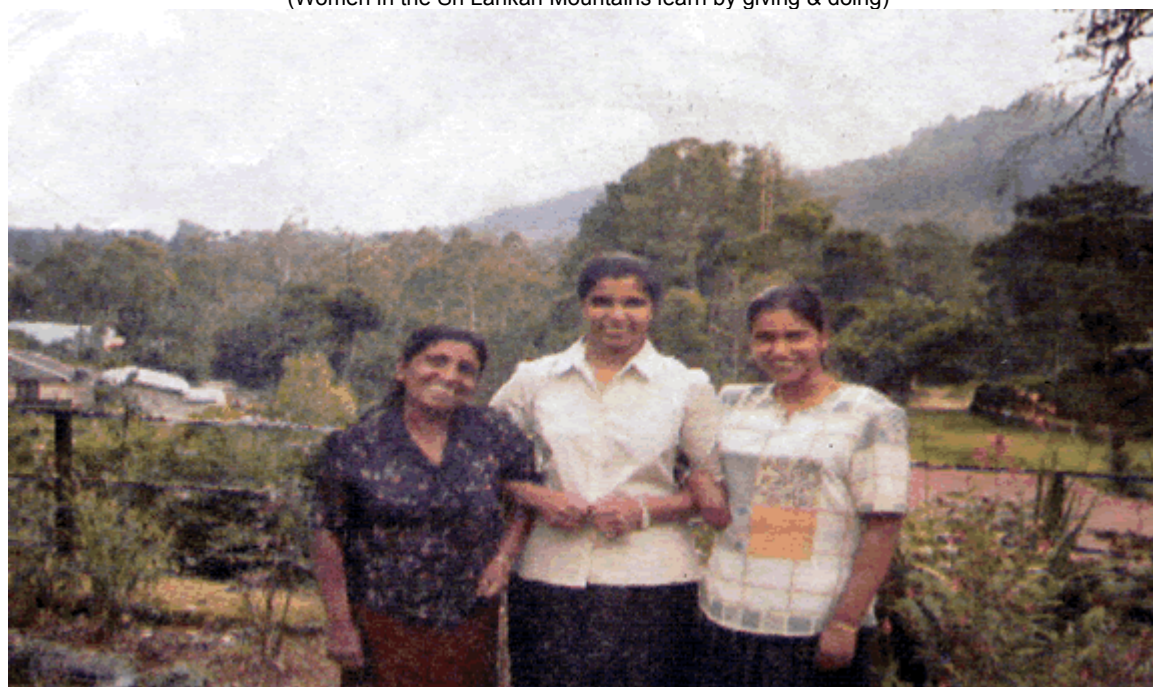


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Is it not strange how people in the caring professions, very rarely tell their story? They do their job, sometimes extraordinary jobs with a lot of sacrifice, love, care, respect and dignity. Very rarely complaining, nearly always smiling and without them humanity would be a poorer place. Is this a dream? I think not, the above can be seen, the above can be experienced, the above is very much alive and practiced 2000 meters up in the mountains of Sri Lanka. The place is called MENCAFEP, this is part of it's story...

## ANGELHEARTS

(Women in the Sri Lankan Mountains learn by giving & doing)



Shyamalie, Miranda and Sunetha share a smile

Experience is the best teacher, so proverbial wisdom will tell us. For MENCAFEP's senior staff members Shyamalie, Miranda and Sunetha - experiencing was the only teacher available when they joined MENCAFEP many, many moons ago.

MENCAFEP call it 'learning by giving and doing' and learn they have, everything from sign language for the hearing impaired to toilet training for the most severely challenged children. "We learn something new every day," Sunetha says.

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