



A teacher stands with her students outside the classroom at the Marist Asia Foundation.

CASE STUDY//SHWE ZIN - THAILAND



“Shwe Zin” is 10 years of age and has two younger siblings in her family. She lives with her father, a younger sister and younger brother. Her mother passed away with an unknown disease when she was younger and because Shwe Zin is the oldest she works hard to support her family.

Her father is a fisherman and in the morning she sells the seafood that he manages to catch the night before. She must do this before she goes to school with her younger sister and brother. Every day she comes to school late with her brother and sister after selling fish,

shrimps and other seafood in the community, even when it is raining.

Shwe Zin’s teachers are strong supporters of her because she must work so hard for her family. Shwe Zin and her younger sister and brother are supported by the Marist Asia Foundation to attend school.

She always helps her friends in the class and she is very interested in learning and is also a good student. She is very good at drawing.

While she works hard for her life and her family Shwe Zin loves and takes care of her younger sister and brother. She shares the money she earns with her younger siblings and her family.

Marist Asia Foundation, in collaboration with the Marist Mission Centre, has supported this family through uncertain times to ensure the future of the children. With AMS’s support they seek to help broken, desperately poor and struggling families who simply cannot afford the monthly education fees and cost of a uniform.