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Ragavendra & Rani

Dear Friends and Supporters,

I have just watched a new **Hope in Motion** TV program that is in production. It tells the stories of two sisters, both deaf. Their mother is alone and has nothing, but two deaf children. We meet the two children who go to the Kollegal School for the Deaf. Both are talented and very good students. This mother cares deeply for her girls but can barely feed them. Even their community rejected these girls and shunned them and their mother, but now, they are getting an education. She is very proud of her girls and you can see how much she cares even though her life has a very dim future. Please watch this new **Hope in Motion** program online to see how sponsorship of these two children at our deaf school has a much wider impact on the family and community. [Go to our web site www.childimpact.org](http://www.childimpact.org) and in the announcements on the home page click on "Deaf student story" to watch. You will be touched.

I find it very hard to ask for funds to help when we are struggling, but every time I do, the Lord blesses us as you, our supporters, step up and help us. I am always amazed and grateful for your generosity. No matter the amount, because both the small and large donations have an impact.

I must be honest. Once again, we have a real need.

Child Impact now totally funds and sponsors all new children at both the blind school and the deaf school in India. The schools are church operated but the church in India cannot afford funding and unfortunately the other major supporter, Asian Aid Australia, has stopped funding these schools. We have stepped in to fill the need. We are reviewing all costs and looking to strengthen management so that we can assure you there is no waste and your giving is helping a blind child, a deaf child or an orphan. We want to give them the right education and ensure they meet Jesus.

Please consider any help small or large, we are in difficult times but are determined to help these kids. Our **Where Needed Most** fund gives us flexibility in what we do but you can also give directly to the **Blind school, Deaf school, or Sunrise Home** funds.

I just spent four days in Bangladesh and was present for the first delivery of the rice you generously donated. Our team has done an amazing job with a quick response. Read the report inside this newsletter to see what an impact this is having.

Thank you from the children!

Jim Rennie CEO Child Impact International.

Please pray for the children of Bangladesh and their families.



We have all heard that love is blind but, can true love be found in silence? The love story of Ragavendra and Rani is special because communication always took place through the eyes and sign language.

Ragavendra and Rani are both former students of our Speech and Hearing Impaired school in Kollegal, India. Thanks to sponsors, they completed school from Kindergarten to 10th grade at the deaf school. Ragavendra completed his Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSLC) in 2013 and later completed his studies in Commercial Practices. After completing his studies, he and his mother moved to the city of Bangalore where he started working for an electronics company. All along, Rani also completed her SSLC and her Computer Science studies.

They had been friends throughout school and they realized, after all, that God had meant for them to be together forever. After receiving their parents' and principal's blessings, they married on June 22, 2018 where their love had started: at ISHI in Kollegal. It was a special day for everyone, including Pastor Suresh Daniel, President of South Central India Union, who officiated the event as the first Adventist ASL (American Sign Language) Wedding in India.

Ragavendra and Rani have now moved together to Bangalore to start a home and family of their own, a blessing made possible by sponsorship and their Heavenly Father.

IMPACTING THE LIVES of Children, Families & Communities in Nepal, Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka & Myanmar



RICE APPEAL SUCCESS

We are very grateful to you our supporters for your generosity!



Our Bangladesh rice appeal was a success. With high food prices in Bangladesh, our mission schools struggle financially to meet their overhead. You have generously given over \$100,000 which is about 3,000 bags of rice. This will have a huge impact on these schools. Two weeks ago, I went to Bangladesh and took the opportunity to plan the rice project with our team there. They had already acted, and I was present as about 200 bags were delivered to the KMSS boarding school. This Adventist mission school has over 500 boarders including 130 orphans. The Principal of the school held my hand and thanked me. The rice came at the right time as they had literally run out of cash. I wish you could have been there to see what I saw. It was so exciting to see the impact of the rice delivery, which will now be repeated around all mission schools. I am also proud of the delivery and response getting the rice delivered quickly to the field.

THANK YOU for making such a difference.



New water pump



The Fjarli academy is a large Adventist boarding school in Ongole India. The school is dependent on water being pumped by an electric pump. There are now many electrical power cuts so there have been times when the children could not get water. Also, the weather has been very hot. Child Impact International has over 150 children

sponsored at this school. With the help of your donations to our **Where Needed Most** fund we approved an urgent water well that gives water available at any time.

Thank you again for your support.

Graduation Day

Thirty-two Child Impact International students experienced an overwhelming sense of excitement and hope as they marched two-by-two in their dark gowns and traditional caps feeling as accomplished and grown up as they looked. This day is the culmination of many long and sometimes uncertain years. Each student has a unique story to tell about their journey that brought them to graduation, but each story has a common thread for these 32 students. Through Child Impact International, each graduate had a loving sponsor who gave them the encouragement, the resources and the motivation to become the person who God created them to be. Their smiling faces say more than words but here are a few of their comments and pictures.



J Manasa finished her degree in Engineering. She writes: "When I was studying in school my family was unable to pay my fees because they struggle a lot. We were unable to eat two meals a day but you, my loving sponsor were the one who shared our problems and financial troubles. You were the one that encouraged me to study. Because of you, I studied otherwise I would have stopped my studies in the middle and not completed my education."



Sujano finished his degree in Chemistry. He writes: "I will never forget your help, dear sponsor. I am inspired very much to help other students after my masters in Chemistry so they can have the same advantage I did. Thank you for your kind heart in choosing me to sponsor."



Ganger finished his degree in Mechanical Engineering. He writes: "I am so happy that you are the sponsor for me. Thank you for encouraging me to continue my education. I have your photo framed and I will keep your photo in my house and in my heart. Even if I say thank you a thousand times it is not enough for all you have done for me. My hope is that one day, I will meet you in heaven."



Mahesh finished his degree in Bible. He is a student from the deaf school. He writes: "I am very happy to express my love and my happiness to you all. I want to thank you for helping me from childhood up to now. God has been so good to me. I never thought I would ever go to college. It was possible because of your unconditional support for me. More than my college studies, I came to know about the living God. Please continue to pray for me as I will continue to pray for you all."

Sponsorship is about giving back to God a portion of His blessing to us. As God continues to use you to sponsor a child, remember that all we have is His and what better way to spend His money than to sponsor a child for His Kingdom.

Won't you consider sponsoring a child today?

APPEAL
\$150,000

Child Impact now needs to fully support and sponsor children at these two special schools and orphanage.

You can donate directly or to our Where Needed Most fund for us to distribute !

Special Needs Child Appeal

Where Needed Most fund !

This is the key fund for Child Impact. It allows us to cover basic costs but gives us flexibility in how and when we fund key needs.

\$80,000 needed immediately

Blind school India

This special school serves over 130 children with real needs. Child Impact now has to fund this special school and find all new sponsors.

\$25,000 needed immediately

Deaf school India

As the only deaf school in this part of India this special school gives HOPE to poor families who don't have any options for their deaf child.

\$25,000 needed immediately

Sunrise home India

Sunrise home was built by Child Impact donors and serves over 130 orphans. It is their home and their life. There is a strong spiritual tone and gives these kids HOPE !

\$20,000 needed immediately

CHILDREN AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP IN THESE THREE SCHOOLS AND HOME

JUST \$48 per MONTH TO SPONSOR A BLIND, DEAF OR ORPHAN CHILD !



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Child Impact's 3ABN time is every Friday at 8:30pm PT, 9:30pm MT, 10:30pm CT, and 11:30pm ET.

Missed an episode on 3ABN?

Watch them all at your convenience on our website (www.childimpact.org) under "Resources" and then click "Video Library".

For more information, articles and videos on our sponsorship program and the many projects we support please visit our website

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Attention Sponsors !!!

During the second quarter of 2018, 83 families began sponsoring around 150 children. For different reasons – change of income and age of sponsor being two – many people cancelled their sponsorship.

We thank God for both the 83 families that became sponsors and for those who have been faithful sponsors but had to stop – we understand.

Even though 150 new children were sponsored, Child Impact still has about 600 children that need a sponsor. In the coming months we anticipate adding between 50 and 100 children.

Please ask your friends at church and your family members to join you by becoming a sponsor. It's easy and you will be passing the joy you receive on to them.

If you are able to sponsor another child or if you are able to give a special gift to the **Un-sponsored Child fund**, we would be appreciative.

JUST A FEW OF THE 600 CHILDREN NEEDING A SPONSOR



Brison is in third grade and tries his very best in class. His favorite subject is English and his hobbies include playing football. Brison hopes to one day become a police officer.
\$19 CHILDASSIST Student
ID: **U50023**



Afrem is a polite and friendly boy, a good student, who likes going to school, loves to learn and to play with his many friends. Afrem's favorite subject is Science.
\$19 CHILDASSIST Student
ID: **U50011**



Urmilon attends kindergarten at Mandertoli Adventist Pre-Seminary. He is always happy to help anyone, especially his grandmother, and wants to be a police officer one day.
\$19 CHILDASSIST Student
ID: **U50041**



Liton is a kind first grade boy who loves to study and help to keep the classrooms and boarding rooms clean. Liton's hobbies are drawing, playing football, and eating.
\$19 CHILDASSIST Student
ID: **U50024**



Shimla is a sweet friendly girl in the first grade, obedient to her teachers and faithful in her studies. Shimla hopes to be a nurse and one day, with the help of a sponsor, she will.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U50052**



Naw Htoo has one brother and her parents make little money. She enjoys singing and playing football, but Naw Htoo needs help with her tuition fees to fulfil her ambition to be a Preacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19743**



Anita attends first grade classes and always finishes her homework. In the evenings she likes to skip rope, walk, and talk with her friends. One day Anita hopes to be a nurse.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U50085**



Mangraj loves school and is very attentive in class. He is friendly, obedient and very helpful boy who likes to play with marbles. He wants to grow up to be a Police Inspector.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19044**



Sudheer Babu's father is an electrician but earns very little. Sudheer helps to his family and smaller children. He is involved in church and school activities, and would like to be a Teacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18491**



Tomalika is a very smart, obedient girl in the first grade who loves to read stories and rhymes. She is full of jokes and fun, likes to play, enjoys gardening and loves to draw.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U50083**



Madhu reads the Bible and likes to memorize Bible verses. He enjoys caring for the younger children and reading storybooks. Madhu studies well and works hard to become an Engineer.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18513**



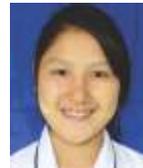
Mi Aye enjoys playing soccer and reading. Her favorite subjects in school are Math and English. She would like to become a Teacher when she grows up.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U20085**



Nikhil Teja has a supportive brother and sister. In his free time he likes to play volleyball and draw. He is a very good student, studies hard and has an ambition to be a Doctor.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18309**



Sudheer's father is a truck driver and his mother is a day laborer. Sudheer likes being active in Sabbath activities, listening to music, and would like to be a Teacher one day.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U17021**



Ma Shellar has five siblings and her parents can't support all of them with their small farm income. She plays the piano, studies math at school, and wants to be a Businesswoman.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18868**



Adori attends school daily and is faithful in her studies. In her free time, she likes to skip rope with friends and draw. Her ambition, with the help of a sponsor, is to be a nurse.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U50084**



Saw Nyi Nyi lives with his low income parents, three brothers, and two sisters, so it is difficult for the kids to study. He likes singing, volleyball and wants to stay in school and be a Doctor.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19806**



Vanlom is a very good student in the first grade whose favorite subject is Bangla. He can recite poems and loves to work in the flower and vegetable gardens around his school.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U50029**



Aye Chan's parent's farming income is not enough to support their family's needs. Aye likes to sew, play football, and skip. She enjoys studying Math and Biology in school.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19676**



Phyu Phyu's family is very poor. She likes cooking, playing football and wants to finish school to be able to support others in the same situation when she becomes a Teacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19757**