

OPERATION CHILD RESCUE

A Safe Home



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Local director Anita Kanaiya and Jim Rennie, CEO Asian Aid USA at the door of the new safe house.

Bangalore, India's third most populated city and home to over eleven million people, is filled with illegal factories using child labor under shocking conditions. In recent years, Bangalore's economic growth has also resulted in escalated human trafficking and numerous brothels where young girls are sold to serve as sex slaves.

Asian Aid has just completed a lease agreement with a local partner to provide a home for rescued girls who need a safe place to live following a raid on their brothel or illegal factory. This is very important as current government shelters are overcrowded and include many homeless and mentally ill. These already traumatized young ladies need a safe environment to recover emotionally, physically, and mentally. Anita Kanaiya, local director says, “This home will be a safe and ideal place to help these young girls break free from a life of physical and emotional abuse. They will be protected from those who have harmed them for so long and this gives them the opportunity to recover and to live happy, productive lives.”

With the help of dedicated partners, Asian Aid USA is providing a refuge for these special young girls.

Through My Eyes – the CEO's Report

Dear supporters,

Because of you, Asian Aid continues to Give Hope to thousands of under-served children in four countries.

In December, I traveled to India to film the 2016 3ABN programs. Please be sure to watch the 3ABN “*Hope in Motion*” programs showing what Asian Aid is doing today. I know you will be inspired, and if you would like a DVD of these programs, let me know and we'll send one out to you.

A 2015 highlight for me included a visit to Asian Aid's “Operation Child Rescue” home which is funded by your gifts. This home will be a safe home for young girls who have been rescued from prostitution, child labor, and Indian brothels.

How humbling it is that Asian Aid can be a small part in this important rescue work. We are also grateful for the partnership with Voice of Prophecy on this life-changing effort, and I am pleased to be visiting the home in February with Voice of Prophecy's Shawn Boonstra and Victor Pires to dedicate the home.

Please continue to pray for the Lord's blessing on the home and these young lives that so desperately need to know the unconditional love of our Savior.

Again, with your support, Asian Aid is changing lives and Giving Hope.

Thank you.



Jim Rennie AAUSA CEO



Hope in Motion – TV series

Asian Aid has produced an excellent TV series called “*Hope in Motion*” – you must see these informative programs.

There are 3 ways to watch:

- Weekly on 3ABN every Friday at 8:30pm Pacific Time.
- Contact us now and we will send you a DVD with all programs.
- Go to our web site www.asianaid.org and watch them there.



Sunrise Orphanage – Growth and Expansion

Asian Aid continues to invest in the wellbeing and education of orphans at the Sunrise Home. Right now there is an urgency to expand the school buildings to provide pre-school and vocational training rooms.

The pre-school is critical because the local government is asking Sunrise Home to help with very young children who have been abandoned by their families on the edges of towns and in the tribal forest areas. These children have been neglected and left to run wild. As such, when they arrive at Sunrise Home they must be taught basic hygiene, clothing, and even how to eat from a plate. Until life skills are learned, these special children cannot be integrated into the daily education programs of Sunrise Home. Right now, these 1-6 year olds are being housed and cared for in the small worship hall, but this cannot continue. That's why your help is needed. For many orphans, Sunrise Home is their only home. They have lived at the orphanage their entire life.

Small tribal children who need a preschool to learn English

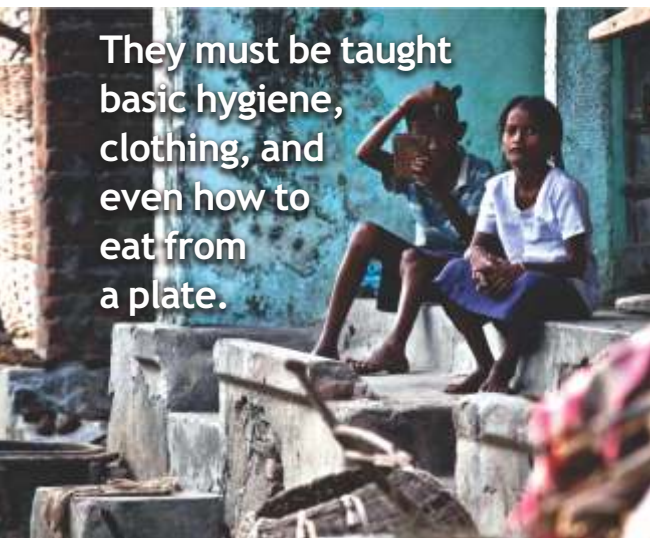
With Asian Aid sponsors, many of these students are now away at boarding colleges. However, during vacations and holidays, they return to Sunrise Home. Imagine thirty to fifty teenagers returning home and needing to be occupied! Sunrise Home staff would like to be able to provide these energetic young kids with vocational training during vacation times. A multipurpose room equipped with computers and other practical skill training equipment will help students improve their school performance and ready them to be responsible citizens.

Together, these two projects at Sunrise Home require a minimum of \$30,000.

This is an important way that you can make a tangible difference in the life of a child. Please consider making a gift for this important effort.

Do you have a heart for today's orphans?

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New Playground for the Deaf

At the Hearing Impaired School in Kollegal, India, Asian Aid is raising funds to build a playground which includes swings and slides for the smaller children and a volleyball court for the older children. A local contractor has been engaged and is working to install the playground equipment as funds allow.

Being deaf in India is often a sentence to life-long poverty and marginalization. Asian Aid's commitment to providing these children sponsorships for an education, as well as the resources for education enhancements empowers the hearing impaired children to become educated, contributing citizens to society and gives each child the opportunity to be integrated into their local community.

You can get involved by making a gift today either on the donation form included with this newsletter or by logging on to www.asianaid.org

A First-Hand Account

Ivan and Diane Cowles have been actively involved in Asian Aid for a number of years. This wonderful story of a young man truly demonstrates the impact Asian Aid sponsors are having on lives.

In 2001, while on our 2nd Maranatha Missionary trip, we met Yoana Koto - a bright young 10 year old who needed a sponsor to attend Fjarli Adventist Academy. The principal of the school accompanied us to Yoana's home where we met his parents and four siblings. The Kota family had lived in a mud brick home. However it started falling apart and was no longer safe for the family to live in, so the father built a small thatched hut home until they could afford something better. Yoana's parents were day laborers and just barely earning enough to provide for their family. Paying school tuition was out of the question. Yoana desperately wanted to attend school. He wanted to read and write and to get an education.

So we decided to sponsor him.

In November of 2015, we once again went to India on a mission trip. This time it was to Flaiz Adventist Academy and College. The weekend we visited happened to be graduation. The graduating class was large and ambitious. Over the weekend, a young

man walked up to us and asked if we remembered him? We looked carefully, but could not recognize him. Imagine our surprise when he said, "I am Yoana."

As soon as he said his name, we remembered that young ambitious 5th grade student we agreed to sponsor back in 2001. During the intervening years, we had received reports, and updates on his progress academically and letters from Yoana, but these had not really prepared us to recognize him personally. He had grown and matured so much.



It was such a delight to spend time with Yoana and to know that our investment in his education will give him a means to support himself and his family. Next year, Yoana will graduate 12th grade and our prayer is that he serves the Lord all the days of his life. We long for the day when we will spend eternity with him in the mansions that Jesus has prepared.

Written by Diane and Ivan Cowles



Yoana and his family house in the village



Yoana with his parents and family



SPONSOR A CHILD TODAY

Together, we are educating and caring for nearly 3,000 underprivileged children. But more importantly, because of your investment, these children are learning about Jesus Christ. How exciting Heaven will be someday soon when we will see first-hand the impact of all the sponsorships provided.

Right now, the requests to provide more child sponsors outweigh the number of current sponsors investing. In fact, there are nearly 650 children in Myanmar alone waiting for help.

Asian Aid needs your help to sponsor and find sponsors for these children. Please give this very serious consideration and go to our website, www.asianaid.org or contact us directly to sponsor a child in need today.

You can Give Hope TODAY!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Asian Aid'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.asianaid.org) under "Resources" and then click "Video Library".

Don't forget that sponsorship rates increased on July 1, 2015. New rates are:

Day: \$25 Boarder+: \$48
Day+: \$32 College: \$65
Boarder: \$38 Nursing: \$90

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding your sponsorship payments.

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

asianaid.org

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Can you help?

We are asking if you could share what you know about Asian Aid with the world.

We desperately need sponsors and you are our best Ambassadors. Please tell others about Asian Aid and if you would like flyers, or other promotional materials, to distribute please contact us.

What is Your Legacy?

Most of us give very little thought to this. We know our reward is Eternity spent with Him and are satisfied to bask in that. However, until our Savior returns, we have the opportunity to use our assets to maximum capacity through a well thought out, planned allocation of our estate to benefit the lives of others.

If you believe in the impact Asian Aid is having on so many children's lives, why not consider an estate gift or designate all or a portion of your will to advance the mission of caring for underprivileged children?

Because Asian Aid is a ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, you can accomplish this through your local Conference Trust Department, or with the assistance of your Financial Adviser.

Thank you for giving this careful consideration.

Please contact us for further information:

Call toll-free **866-569-7933** or email support@asianaid.org to arrange for a professional advisor to contact you.

THESE CHILDREN URGENTLY NEED YOUR SPONSORSHIP



Angeline is in 1st grade, she can write and loves to read picture books. Angeline's mother supports the family alone and needs help.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U16786**



Abin is a very smart and attentive student. Both his parents are aging so his mother works at home. Abin would like to be an engineer.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U16885**



Shaizaiman likes reading and dancing. Her father is a fruit vendor, and her mother stays at home to work. Shaizaiman would like to work in a bank.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U15189**



Ellakkuvan's mother is handicapped and unable to work, while his father is a ticket collector. He likes drawing and wants to become an engineer.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U11233**



Archana's parents do not have regular jobs and cannot pay for her education. Archana is a good student and would like to be a nurse.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U17278**



Kiran's father is a daily laborer with a very low income. He does well in school and likes to fly kites afterwards. Kiran wants to be an engineer.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U15143**



Shrabani comes from a large family. Shrabani loves to read, admires her teacher and she would like to become a teacher when she grows up.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18577**



Sanjit's father is a cultivator and he also likes to dig and grow plants. Sanjit has two sisters and he would like to become a laboratory technician.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U19025**



Sindu's parents have separated and both work odd jobs to earn money for the family. Sindu has one sister and would like to become a teacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U09701**



Dhana's father is a day laborer and his mother stays home to take care of the four children. He likes to study and is interested in becoming a Pastor.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U16609**



Percy is the third child of four children, her father migrates for work. She studies well, enjoys singing, and wants to be a teacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U18647**



Yesu comes from a large family with three brothers and three sisters, he likes to run and play games. Yesu would like to become a policeman.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U15601**



Anuvithya's father is a Bible worker for the Adventist church. Anuvithya is smart and does well in school. She likes drawing, and music.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U17048**



Satish's father died when he was three years old. He lives with his mother and brother, loves to sing and read Bible stories. Satish wants to be a teacher.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U17738**



Gowri is partially blind but was studying in a normal school. She is learning to sew, makes everyone laugh, and wants to be a TV anchor.
\$48 Boarder+
ID: **U10241**



Ajay's father died when he was young, his mother is a house maid. Ajay likes studying as well as playing sports and wants to play cricket professionally.
\$48 Boarder+
ID: **U15823**



Binita comes from a very poor family, but passed all of her exams. Binita is working on her B.Com degree. She would also like a degree in nursing.
\$65 Tertiary
ID: **U13586**



Pradeep is studying for a business management degree. He likes sport and, when he graduates, Pradeep would like to become a pharmacist.
\$65 Tertiary
ID: **U08314**



Prathyusha's parents are both laborers and find it difficult to pay for her Business Administration degree studies so she can become an accountant.
\$90 Tertiary+
ID: **U13947**



Babu's father is a village Bible worker. He would like to be a pastor or school treasurer. Babu is working on a bachelor degree in business administration.
\$90 Tertiary+
ID: **U08228**