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Letter from the CEO

As an Adventist charity that operates in countries where the pandemic is rampant, we are facing unprecedented challenges. There appears to be no end to the pandemic in India and the situation is critical. The outbreak is beginning to worsen in Bangladesh and Nepal. Myanmar has been on lockdown for months after facing an army coup. The conditions have remained dire and unstable. It is still very difficult to assess the true impact of the pandemic in Myanmar at this point.

In most of these countries, school holidays were being observed and with the worsening of the pandemic, it is difficult to predict when schools will reopen. In Myanmar, some schools have remained open during the coup, but are currently closed due to school holidays. The plan is to open in early June. Although we are having difficulty getting funds into the country, we are confident that these schools will remain open under the current army rule and we will be able to get the funds to them.

In India, all the schools are closed until further notice due to the pandemic crisis. Many teachers and pastors have tested positive and are sick. Many in India simply cannot get treatment and the deaths are far greater than reported. Sadly the treasurer at the blind school passed away recently due to Covid. Further closure of the schools is causing extreme hardship on the schools as they are dependent on students who pay tuition and also partly from sponsorship money. All the income from paying students has paused for over a year and in most schools, the staff is only receiving half wages or no wages at all. The church is also facing huge challenges in paying the pastors and bible workers. The schools in



Bangladesh have remained open, but are now closed due to school holidays. Unfortunately, the virus may spread as it has in India. As time progresses we may find that some of the smaller schools may close as they simply will not have the funds to reopen. We continue with the sponsorship program and are paying the schools the funds for the students to ensure that they can reopen and have the required essential supplies.

I am overwhelmed with the Lord's continued blessings for the services we provide through our programs and the generous support of Child Impact International donors. The work we do is having a big impact on education in these countries and will ensure the continued education of the children once the pandemic is over. Our Rice, Health and Education appeal is ensuring food and health supplies for many. Over 25,000 bags of rice have been distributed as well as much-needed medical supplies.

We have launched a special a special India appeal to help with medical equipment and supplies.

These are certainly challenging times, and I would simply ask that you make Child Impact and its outreach a matter of prayer. I just want to thank you once again for your generosity and thank the Lord for his continued blessings. I ask for your prayers as we face a difficult time in the countries that we serve.

Jim Rennie CEO Child Impact International

Blind school children receive new Walking Sticks

The children at the Blind school in India were given new walking sticks. They were funded by the local government and the children were trained on how to improve mobility with them.



Riverside Farm School UPDATE



New Uniforms and Shoes for kids at Riverside Farm primary school

Riverside Farm in Zambia is currently making new uniforms and shoes for the children who attend school. The children were so excited and proud. Most children at this school are sponsored by Child Impact.



High school update

Pictures show the progress made on the new high school building and head teacher's house at Riverside farms Zambia. Walls have been constructed and established. Roof trusses are going in so that the roof may be installed. The slab has been laid for the construction of the head teacher's home. We look forward to the finished project and sharing updates. Most children at this new school will be sponsored by Child Impact.



The Mweemba Family in Zambia get two cows

Some of you may have seen our **Hope in Motion** program where Jim Rennie, our CEO, visited with a young woman named Regina. He toured the village where she lived with her family on a farm. Unfortunately, a devastating heatwave had destroyed the crops she cultivated. Crops for which she depends on to feed and support her entire family. Regina is responsible for raising ten grandchildren and at the same time working on the fields at Riverside Farms. She struggles to provide for her family, but her hard work and dedication never go unnoticed.

The commitment to her family is humbling. A donor contacted Child Impact International to ask how they could help Regina and her family. They were moved by her story and decided to purchase a bull to breed with other cows and create a source of income. The bull proved to be too much to handle so it was sold for two cows which have since generated income from the production of milk and calf breeding.



Emergency Rice delivery to Ongole School India

Last month a special delivery of rice was made to the Ongole school in India. This school is one of the largest schools where Child Impact has sponsored children. The rice was funded from the Rice, Health and Education appeal run by Child Impact. The rice was for the teachers, pastors and the use of the school. Some rice will be put into storage for when the school opens. This will ensure that the children have food and the school will gain savings towards its budget.

Child impact international CEO Jim Rennie said that "Child Impact is very proud of this school under the leadership of Mr. Prasad and his staff. The school is managed very well and serves its community with a good standard of education. Another delivery of rice is planned."



Operation CHILD RESCUE

Trafficking rescue, child rescue, baby rescue

Child Impact International announces the upcoming launch of its new corporate brand identity, redesigned logo, and website page for its Operation Child Rescue project. The changes come at a time when the organization is expanding the Operation Child Rescue project in rescuing and educating children who are trafficked, exploited for slave labor, or who are homeless. Jim Rennie CEO says we are overwhelmed by the needs of exploited children in all the countries we serve and are excited we can expand this project.

The new logo is designed to work effortlessly across our communication channels, it evokes a feeling of service and inspiration, and the red circle signifying a full circle movement from exploitation to rescue, rehabilitation and preventions. The word rescue in red explains the deliverance and freeing from danger the "I" in child continues to stand for the impact we make to those in need.

Baby rescue center Bangalore India.

Ashram Trust is a baby rescue charity located in Bangalore India. This baby rescue organization has government accreditation and is the place where many deserted babies are



brought by other charities, the police and hospitals. The children are adopted if suitable parents can be found and if they cannot be placed they join one of CII's orphanages. The objective is to ensure these abandoned babies are found at home. Many of these children have been abandoned on the side of the road or outside hospitals. Child

impact assists this rescue home with the supply of food and supplies for the babies. Many of these babies would have died if it wasn't for the partnership of Operation Child Rescue.

Nepal Missing Girl Update

In March, we received a story from an Operation Child Rescue case manager in India who was requiring assistance in the rescue and support of a Nepali child who was located in Bangalore India. The child was 16 years old when she went missing in 2019. She was allegedly abducted from a market area near her home. She was able to escape and call for help. When she was able to get a hold of her family she shared where she was rescued and taken until someone could pick her up. The local rescue team contacted the Crime Branch of police which then contacted a local police inspector under the correct jurisdiction limits. A police team proceeded to rescue the girl and locate and arrest the assailant. Arrangements are now being made to transport the girl home.

Sunrise home NEWS



New garden

With assistance from the local agriculture development office, Sunrise home has been lifting the quality of nutrients in its garden soil and planting new crops that can be used by the home but also get a higher price for income generation. The children love helping and the melon crop has been a success.



Storm strikes Sunrise

In February a brief but strong storm struck Sunrise home. No damage was done to the home but it was sad to see so many of our established trees destroyed. The picture shows the children help clean up.

INDIA'S COVID CRISIS

Child Impact is responding to the crisis in India for hospital equipment and beds
Help us provide the support India needs to survive this major crisis and disaster

Child Impact was approached through its Operation Child Rescue Director, Anita Kanaiya located in Bangalore India with an urgent request for help. She has been appointed to lead the efforts in relief plans for a local Christian medical group. The group has requested Child Impact International assist with a large ventilator and monitoring equipment in order to help save lives.

Child Impact has advanced \$25,000 immediately to purchase this equipment and save lives, but more is needed urgently to provide emergency resources to everyone facing this crisis and disaster.

Child Impact needs to raise another \$100,000 for equipment and beds in Bangalore Christian hospitals through its "Rice, Health and Education" fund.

Thank you for considering this much needed support

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Child Impact International registers in Tennessee

The governance of Child Impact International has been based in Minnesota and has been changed to Tennessee to complete legal requirements and the change of name. The new constitution is now under Tennessee requirements. Child Impact remains a 501(c)(3) charity for tax purposes.



ASI national will be held at the Rosenshingle resort in Orlando Florida from August 4th to 7th.

Child Impact International will have a booth there and invites supporters to visit the booth.

For more information go to www.asiministries.org

Rice deliveries India

The distribution of rice to teachers continues in India. Many teachers have not received wages or are on half wages so this has been a huge support to their families.





Attention Sponsors !!!

We are very grateful to our sponsors for supporting more children! Sponsors impact children's lives daily, giving real hope to the children and their families.

We currently have over 500 unsponsored children and need your help to find new sponsors to support them.

Please tell your family and friends about Child Impact and the need.

They can sponsor a child or give a donation to the **Unsponsored Child** fund and help these children in need.

HOPE IN MOTION

View our TV program on 3ABN during these times:

Friday nights at 10:30pm CST
Saturday afternoon 4:30pm CST

What is your legacy?

Most of us give very little thought to this.

We know our reward is eternity spent with Jesus 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 work of Child Impact for the future of 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?



Since Child Impact is a ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, you can accomplish this through your local Conference Trust Department, or with the help of your Financial Advisor.

Please contact us for more information:

Call (423) 910-0667 or email info@childimpact.org to arrange for a professional advisor to contact you.

Thank you for your careful consideration

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

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JUST 20 OF OVER 500 CHILDREN IN NEED OF A SPONSOR **TODAY!**



Khokon is an outgoing and hardworking boy who always attends class. He likes playing soccer, drawing pictures, and helping others. Khokon hopes to become a teacher someday.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61528**



Synthia is a hardworking and loving girl who always applies herself faithfully in her studies. She hopes to become a nurse someday to provide for her family and help the sick.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61490**



Josiah is an outgoing and full of personality. He helps his mother by running little errands and carrying water with her. Life is hard, especially when unexpected difficulties arise.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U60764**



Ester is a caring, loving and outgoing girl. She loves to learn and always applies herself faithfully in her studies. Ester hopes to be a nurse to help the sick and injured in her area.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61479**



Dealt is a friendly and talkative boy who enjoys playing football and loves to take apart broken phones and radios to see how they work. He helps draw water from the well.
\$25 Day Student
ID: **U60750**



Nishit is a hardworking and loving boy, a great student who loves to learn new things. He hopes to become a teacher someday and help educate others in his community.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61476**



Jessica is an outgoing and hardworking girl who loves to learn and always applies herself diligently to her studies. Jessica hopes to be a nurse someday and help the sick.
\$48 Boarder+
ID: **U61519**



Anaya is a caring, hardworking and outgoing girl, she loves to learn and joins in all her school activities. Anaya hopes to be a nurse someday to help the sick and injured in her community.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61473**



Soisamong is a caring, active boy, loves to learn and always applies himself faithfully in his studies. Soisamong hopes to become a teacher someday to help educate others in his area.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61513**



Arko loves to learn, respects others, and is always joyful. His favorite activities include cricket, and exploring places. Arko wants to become a nurse and help this community.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61470**



Naimraching is a caring and loving girl whose favorite pastimes include reading and helping others. Naimraching hopes to become a teacher and educate her community.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61508**



Sneha is a hardworking and loving girl who enjoys learning new things in her classes and always applies herself diligently in her studies. Sneha hopes to become a nurse someday.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61463**



Lakanpar is a caring and active girl who applies herself diligently in her studies, her favorite subject is English. She hopes to be a nurse and help the sick and injured in her area.
\$38 Boarder+
ID: **U61498**



Mondira is an obedient, caring and hardworking girl. Her favorite activities include hide & seek, skipping rope, and helping others. Mondira hopes to be a nurse to help others.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61461**



Arko is a joyful and active boy who loves to learn and always applies himself faithfully in his classes. His favorite activities include drawing pictures. Arko wants to be a police officer.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61497**



Zishan loves to learn and always applies himself diligently in all school activities. He hopes to become a police officer to help provide for his family as well as protect his community.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61458**



Singenzual is an energetic and loving girl who is very respectful in class and loves to learn new things. Singenzual hopes to become a nurse and help the sick and injured.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61494**



Choyon is a smart, outgoing and active boy. He is always eager to learn new things in his classes. Choyon hopes to become a teacher and educate all the children in his region.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61456**



Aditto loves to learn and always enjoys participating in the different school activities. Aditto wants to become a doctor to help the sick and injured in his community.
\$38 Boarder
ID: **U61492**



Jhilik is a smart, outgoing and active girl who always applies herself faithfully in her studies. Jhilik wishes to be a teacher so she can educate other children in her community.
\$32 Day+ Student
ID: **U61455**