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Dear Friends,

2020 has been an immense challenge and continues to be so. The situation is impossible to predict and we are seeing extreme poverty as people in the countries we serve have no work and no government assistance. Near our orphanage in India, villagers came begging because they had no food for the next day. They were grateful for our help. At the time of writing this letter, schools in those countries are still closed, and, being in mainly poorer communities, online classes are not possible.

Currently, our process is to do all we can to contact the children and then either send them half of the sponsorship funds to help the family or send them food directly. We believe that this huge logistical exercise is already in place for over 60 percent of the children impacted.

Some have asked why schools are being paid during lockdown without students. That is a fair question. It is

critical to keep the school running, so that when it reopens, essential supplies and the necessary staff will be there for the students. This task has been challenging to continue and may result in the closure of some schools. We are playing a key role in keeping many Adventist mission schools open.

This situation has affected all of the countries we serve and is the largest crisis we have ever had to face. Any support for our **"Rice Appeal"** or our **"Where Needed Most Fund"** will still impact those who are struggling.

Please pray for our program. As I see the funds arriving, it is very humbling, and I am most grateful for the Lord's blessing and the amazing support you have given us.

Sincere thanks,

Jim Rennie CEO Child Impact International

We are monitoring the situation daily and posting CEO updates on our website at <https://childimpact.org/category/news-and-events/ceo-updates/>

Trafficked Children Rescued from Forced Labor

Four children, ages six to seventeen, along with six adults were rescued by government agency officers and staff from a bag manufacturing facility located in Mukthi Karnataka, India in February 2020.

After their rescue, the children were taken to the local police station to give their statements and file the necessary papers. Later they were admitted to the Government Boys Home in Bengaluru, Karnataka, India. A complete medical examination by the medical practitioner found that one of the boys was addicted to tobacco. The victims were given aftercare and assistance with rehabilitation.

With the exception of one victim working for the past four years, the others were recruited six months prior to their rescue. The five adults and the children were verbally guaranteed a monthly salary but this promise was never met. Money was desperately needed by each of the victim's families to pay for medical treatment, house repairs, and debts.

Though the children were informed that their salary was given directly to their family, they were unsure how it was delivered or of the amount their family members received. Since they were all supposedly given an advance, no salary was paid out to the individuals working. The children were trafficked and taken by the proprietor and another worker from Bihar to the facility where they were forced to work alongside adults in the same environment.

Their working hours were gruesome and exploitative, forced to work six days a week, some Sundays, and nearly eleven hours a day in close quarters where the conditions were deplorable and extremely unsanitary. The same facility was used for manufacturing, sleeping, food preparation and cooking. The quality of rations was so poor that on the day of the rescue there was a sack of rotten potatoes and spoiled vegetables.



**OPERATION
CHILD
RESCUE**
TRAFFICKING & ORPHAN RESCUE

Child Impact is grateful for the work being completed by its rescue partner in India through Operation Child Rescue.



Government Tax Announcements

These are extremely difficult times for everyone, and we wish to share with you the latest developments in giving options. The recent Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of March 27, 2020 offers some great opportunities for supporting Child Impact International.

Here is an outline of those options made available for Tax Year 2020 only:

- You may be able to deduct up to 100% of your adjusted gross income on gifts made to Child Impact or other charities. Deductible amounts are normally limited to 60% of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).
- Even non-itemizing individuals are eligible for a \$300 charitable deduction (\$600 for couples) for gifts made to Child Impact. This deduction reduces taxable income thus reducing taxes paid.
- Qualified Charitable Rollover (QCR) remains unchanged. Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) are waived for most qualified plan participants for Tax Year 2020. Even without a required minimum distribution, qualified charitable distributions offer tax savings for most.

If you need further clarification on your tax or income situation, we encourage you to speak with your financial advisor or accountant.



Building a Partnership with Scheer Hospital in Nepal

Jim Rennie joins the hospital board

Child Impact is looking to increase its partnership with Scheer Hospital in Nepal. The hospital is the only church institution in Nepal operating a full hospital and emergency ward. Many children with serious medical conditions go to the hospital because they can't afford to go anywhere else for treatment. Child Impact's CEO Jim Rennie was appointed to the new hospital board. This will enable Child Impact to understand the needs of the hospital and Jim's strong administrative experience will be a beneficial addition to the board. Child Impact hopes to announce a new Nepal initiative in the early part of 2021.



IMPACT GIFTS

Choose your gift of **HOPE** to impact children in need



WHERE NEEDED MOST \$100,000 URGENTLY NEEDED

Help Child Impact meet urgently needed costs to run our many programs that assist hundreds of poor children.

BLIND, DEAF & ORPHANS \$100,000 URGENTLY NEEDED

We need help so we can continue to provide a home, education and a future for these special children.

OPERATION CHILD RESCUE \$50,000 URGENTLY NEEDED

Child Impact rescues girls from sex trafficking, child labor, abandoned babies and provides a life of HOPE.



Because of the COVID-19 crisis the many needs of these children are much, much greater this year!

URGENT ACTION

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Child Impact International has partnered with ASI to complete a new secondary school at Riverside Farm in Zambia.

The school will be a day school, will offer grades 8-12, will provide lunch, and will be located 300 meters from the current primary school. Housing will be provided for the headmaster and the deputy headmaster. Because classes are by subject and not by grade, the approximate capacity for each class will be 40 students with two groups daily. The new secondary school will enable up to 150 new sponsored needy children and allow them at the current primary school to get a full education and continue their Adventist education past the primary level. **There is a strong need for education in Zambia to break the cycle of poverty.**

We seek your support for a unique mission school opportunity that will broaden Child Impact's sponsorship program and expand the ministry of Riverside Farm in Zambia to those in need within their community.

Through this effective partnership, the completed project will allow the missions of Riverside Farm and Child Impact to flourish.

The project needs \$150,000

Child Impact will match all donations dollar-for-dollar so that all donations are doubled for the project.

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Through your generous support the following has been implemented:

- Provided emergency food and rice to over 1,500 teachers, workers and pastors in Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, and Nepal.
- Provided emergency food or allowance to over 2,500 students who are locked down at home.
- Provided medical equipment, created school plans with procedures to be available for when they reopen.
- Built rice and food reserves for boarding schools to be able to feed students and staff when they reopen.
- Near places where we operate, we have assisted local communities with emergency food.

None of these plans could have been carried out and achieved without your commitment and generous support in providing the urgently needed funds to help the children.

As we continue to put the children first and review the situation weekly, please continue your greatly appreciated financial support.

THANK YOU!



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

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

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|  <p>Dealt is a friendly and talkative boy who loves playing football and enjoys making clay pots and toys from the dirt. He helps to draw water from the well. Beans are his favorite food.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60750</p> |  <p>Josiah is an outgoing boy who is full of personality. He helps his mother by running little errands and carrying water with her. His favorite food is maize porridge with peanuts.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60764</p> |
|  <p>Danae likes to draw, color, and listen to stories. She likes to help her mother cook, wash dishes, and sweep. Danae's favorite foods are apples and bananas.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60749</p> |  <p>Anamika is a kind, caring, happy, and a great student who loves learning new things. Her favorite class is mathematics. She hopes to become a nurse and help the sick and injured.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61080</p> |
|  <p>Anjolee is a smart, caring, and kind girl. She enjoys learning new things and her favorite subject is English. Anjolee wants to become a missionary doctor and care for the sick.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61082</p> |  <p>Emiral is a brilliant student with an extrovert attitude. Her favorite subject is Bangla, and her hobby is gardening. She wishes to be a lawyer and give proper justice to the people.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61102</p> |
|  <p>Bristy is a friendly, caring girl who loves learning new things in her classes. Mathematics is her favorite subject in school. She hopes to become a nurse and help the sick and injured.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61092</p> |  <p>Pavan is partially blind but has a positive outlook on life. He loves to learn and applies himself diligently in his studies. Pavan hopes to become an engineer and help his community.
 \$65 Tertiary Student
 ID: U19280</p> |
|  <p>Amuda is a happy and caring girl and always attentive in her classes. She enjoys school and is a hard worker. Amuda hopes to become a teacher to help educate her community.
 \$32 Day +
 ID: U17275</p> |  <p>Naw Mu is a hardworking girl and loves to learn. She has not had the opportunity to attend school for a long time due to the hardships her family has suffered.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60809</p> |
|  <p>Phyu is a great student and a caring, happy girl. She loves reading, drawing, coloring, and spending time with friends. Phyu hopes to be a teacher and provide for her family.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61235</p> |  <p>Htoo Ka Paw's parents are struggling to provide clothes, food, and education for the family. He loves to learn and has studied hard to take full advantage of his education.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60805</p> |
|  <p>Hein Htet Kyaw lives in Gyothonpin with his divorced mother. He is a clever student and helps his mother make clothes. Unfortunately, she is not able to get a lot of business.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60826</p> |  <p>Thang Min lives on the campus where his mom works as a teacher. After his father passed away in 2017 they depend on his mother's very small income to cover their needs.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60846</p> |
|  <p>Thin is a loving, happy girl who applies herself diligently in her studies and is very respectful. She hopes to be a teacher and educate all the underprivileged children in her community.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61239</p> |  <p>Mercy is an outgoing, friendly girl who makes dolls, little pots, and dishes out of clay. Her family's life has been a real struggle to survive, so Mercy has never been to school until now.
 \$25 Day Student
 ID: U60768</p> |
|  <p>Marcia is a sincere, friendly girl who attends classes regularly and faithfully prepares and completes her assignments. Marcia wants to continue her education and become a nurse.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61127</p> |  <p>Lisa Minjee is cheerful girl who dreams of becoming a nurse in her village when she grows up. Her favorite subject is Science and her favorite hobby is reading stories.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U61121</p> |
|  <p>Raj Mohan is a great student, applies himself faithfully, enjoys reading books, singing, and spending time with his friends. He hopes to be a teacher and educate others.
 \$38 Boarder
 ID: U18756</p> |  <p>Rony's father is dead and his elderly mother cannot support him because she cannot work. But Rony has pressed on, even through very hard times, as he won't lose sight of his goal.
 \$120 Nursing Student
 ID: U60683</p> |

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