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# Cyclone hits Andra Pradesh India

On October 12th a Cyclone hit the area of Visakhapatnam, India. This city of two million suffered significant damage and when writing this report the city still lacked electricity and water. The blind school and Sunrise home suffered damage to their security walls and some roofing. The biggest loss was of their trees and crops. These banana trees and the farm contribute to the health and well-being of the children so it is a significant loss.

At Vizinagarum where we are building the new boys' dormitory the building site has minor damage. The school has lost some of its roof and the Asian Aid team is responding. This school is in need of new classrooms and this storm has highlighted the need. The Slum School suffered minor damage. The parents are having trouble getting food so we are looking at a feeding program at the Slum School. We are grateful for the Lords protection as many buildings were destroyed and lives lost.

### Dear supporters,

It's that time of year again when we enjoy sharing the Christmas holiday with our family and friends. I am truly grateful for your support and sponsorships. Through us, you have impacted the lives of thousands of children. We are very committed to growing our sponsorship and would ask you to tell others about how they could sponsor a child and give hope.

On October 12th a massive cyclone hit the coast of Andra Pradesh and the major city of Visakhapatnam suffered huge damage. The blind school and Sunrise home had only minor damage. Both have lost trees and farm crops. We suffered damage at our Vizinagarum boys' dormitory building site and at the slum school. Our team is responding as quickly as they can. Please remember the children in your prayers.

We have a very important Christmas appeal for three of our funds. I humbly ask if you could support our "Christmas Gift" appeal. We can make a real difference with your support.

I just want to thank the Lord for His blessings and you for your support in 2014. Please call me anytime if you wish to discuss any aspect of our ministry.

Thank you,

Jim Rennie CEO Asian Aid USA



# Asian Aid USA board has important planning meeting

On Saturday night and Sunday, October 18-19, the Asian Aid board met for its AGM and planning board meeting. The board is very focused on growth to place another 1000 needy children in Adventist schools in 2015. Final plans to enter Myanmar are being put in place. CEO, Jim Rennie met with Pastor Memory, president of the Myanmar Union just before the board meetings to confirm which Adventist schools will participate.

The Asian Aid USA board approved a strategic plan and is reviewing the projects which will be a priority. The theme of the meeting was "Growth and Direction." The board is very

committed to helping needy children get an education and introducing them to Jesus which is an integral part of education and the ministry. Board Chairman, John Truscott, commented, "We are very proud of the work our staff do and for the leadership of Jim Rennie, our CEO. As a board and also as staff, we have committed ourselves to the leading of the Lord in what we do." The board is made up of John Truscott, (President), Jim Rennie (CEO), Dittu Abraham, Gareth Reese, Roger Keaton (Secretary), Carl Ginger, Gail Wehling, Naomi Davis, Brenda Bryant and Patty LaVanture.

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# Raid Rescues 20 Trafficked Children

Asian Aid's Operation Child Rescue program recently helped rescue 20 children from child labor in a bag factory in Bangalore, India.

Asian Aid's partner, Oasis (a child rescue organization based in Bangalore, India), received a tip that young children were working in deplorable factory conditions in the city and partnered with government officials to conduct a raid.

On the day of the raid, 20 children (17 of them younger than 14 years old) were found working in a labyrinth of alleyways between five different leather bag factories. Their living conditions were deplorable, extremely dirty and cramped, and the children's pallid skin and malnutrition were evidence of poor treatment. Most of the factory owners were caught and will be facing child labor charges.

The children were initially fearful, but after being given food, water, and realizing that the authorities were there to help them, they relaxed and were extremely relieved. Since many of the children had been trafficked from Nepal and other distant areas, the child welfare department will be working with each child on rehabilitation, counseling, and determining whether it will be best for them to return home.

We want to give a huge thank you to those who have given to Asian Aid's Operation Child Rescue program and helped to give these 20 young men freedom. Please pray for them, their futures, and the many other children who still need to be rescued from the injustice and despair of child trafficking.

Top Left: Deplorable living conditions.

**Left:** Children, many under age 14, working in the leather bag factory.

Below: The 20 boys soon after their rescue.





# Vizianagaram new boys' dormitory

We are very excited that great progress has been made on the new boys' dormitory at Vizianagaram. Currently the boys sleep on the floor of the church. This new dormitory will give the boys a real bed and provide the school with a kitchen and a hall. We thank the donors who have made a difference here.

It is hoped the dormitory, kitchen and hall can be in use early December. Asian Aid USA is proud of the work their team has done at Vizianagaram. The team led by USA father and son, Wally and John Marienau, have really made a difference.

# Our three Most Wanted Christmas Gifts



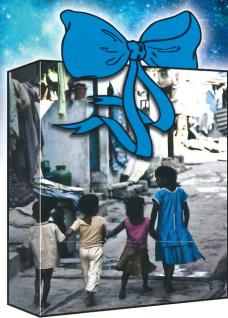


### **Orphanages Fund**

Asian Aid funds four orphanages that are run by the Adventist church in India

The largest orphanage is Sunrise Home which you as donors have helped build over the last three years. We are so grateful for your generous support of this project. The Home continues to face additional costs of running the orphanage, such as bedding, kitchen equipment, and building maintenance.

At Sunrise, Asian Aid is working with local police to help children who are found wandering railway stations or begging to survive in the cities. Providing food and accommodation for these children requires funds, but you can make their dreams of having a home come true this Christmas.

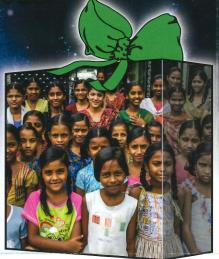


## Asian Aid Where Needed Most Fund

Ensures Asian Aid's effective operation and ability to meet urgent needs as they arise

Managing a program with up to 3,000 children in three countries requires funds for effective management and operating. We currently have a critical need for this fund in order to continue to run efficiently and meet the many unexpected special requests and needs.

Immediate Need \$30,000



# Girls' Dormitory Ibrahimpatnam, India

Adventist college with over 700 students, 200 sponsored through Asian Aid

The girls' dormitory needs urgent repair. Mold and sewer issues need to be addressed as well as ventilation in cramped rooms. Asian Aid has plans to renovate and enlarge the dormitory to provide more space and ensure proper hygiene and health.

Although this is a large project, these girls need our help so they can have a safe place to live and other girls can join them in receiving an Adventist education.

Project Estimate \$110,000

Immediate Need \$40,000

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Asian Aid's new 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".

### Website Improvements:

If your sponsorship payment is made via credit or debit card, it is now possible for you to manage your account, including changing credit and debit card information and updating expiration dates on our website.

### Jaime Jorge Concert Schedule for December:

11th: Tryon SDA Church, Tryon, NC

12th: Columbia SDA Church, Columbia, SC

13th: AM Johnson City, TN

13th: PM Hendersonville SDA Church, Hendersonville, NC 19th: 7:00pm Houston Northwest SDA Church, Spring, TX 20th: 11:00am Houston International SDA Church, Houston, TX

20th: 6:30pm Killeen SDA Church, Killeen, TX

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# Charitable Gift Annuities

Asian Aid has teamed up with the Western Adventist Foundation to make faithful gift planning simple. Western Adventist Foundation on behalf of Asian Aid offers expertise in gift planning from consultation to implementation and management of your gift plan.

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The Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) is a popular way for our donors to provide income to themselves or their loved ones for life as well as to support the ministry of Asian Aid. The Charitable Gift Annuity is a planning tool that, at its heart, recognizes the fact that the rewards of giving begin with the desire to make a gift.

The Gift Annuity marks this decision with two things: the transfer of an asset from the donor(s) to the charity, and the signing of a contract in which the charity agrees to make payments to the donor(s) for life.

In addition to the satisfaction inherent in the act of giving, the CGA adds tangible benefits by providing an attractive income payment, with a significant portion of each payment being income tax free, and an immediate charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the gift. Your annuity payment is determined at the time your gift is made and will not fluctuate with the market.

Contact us for information:

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

Charitable Gift Annuities are NOT AVAILABLE in the states of AL, MD and WA. Annuities to benefit Asian Aid for CA and IL residents are provided by the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists: for HI residents they are provided by the HI Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Annuities to benefit Asian Aid in all other states are provided by the Western Adventist Foundation.



### THESE CHILDREN URGENTLY NEED YOUR SPONSORSHIP



Abhishek loves planes and wants to be a pilot when he grows up. He is in 3rd grade and has one brother and one sister.

\$23 Day Student ID: U17097



Soumya is in 2nd grade and likes painting. She wants to be a nurse when she grows up. Soumya's father is a fruit vendor and makes very little. \$30 Day+ Student

ID: U18259



V. Lalthang lian lives in a single room thatch house with her parents and brother. She likes reading and wants to be a doctor. \$30 Day+ Student ID: U16317



Merina's father is disabled mentally and her mother is a maid supporting five children. Merina likes playing with her siblings and wants to be a nurse. \$35 Boarder ID: U18473



Sohel's father is deceased and his mother is very sick and unable to work. He wants to be educated to make a better life for his family. \$45 Boarder+ ID: U16640



Jothish's mother abandoned him and his brother so they live with their grandmother. Jothish likes to read and wants to become a doctor. \$23 Day Student ID: U16884



Abiram has two sisters and likes playing volleyball. He is in 2nd grade at our Slum School and wants to be an engineer when he grows up.

\$30 Day+ Student ID: U18226



Amarjith loves being active and playing sports. He wants to be a professional cricket player when he grows up. He has three siblings. \$35 Boarder

ID: 1118348



Stauross has an older brother and his father is a farmer. Stauross likes reading books and wants to be a scientist when he grows up

\$35 Boarder ID: U18480



Sravanthi wants to be a teacher when she grows up. She likes helping her mother in the house and playing with her sister. Her father is deceased.

\$45 Boarder+ ID: U18271



Anil's father is a laborer and makes very little. Anil has one sister and likes playing games. He wants to be a teacher when he grows up

\$23 Day Student ID: U17189



Durga Rao's father is a fruit vendor earning very little, Durga Rao loves playing cricket with his brother and wants to be an engineer.

\$30 Day+ Student ID: U18251



Mahesh's father spends all his income on alcohol and cigarettes. Mahesh wants to be a pastor and likes taking part in church services and prayer. \$35 Boarder

ID: U18410



Laxmi wants to be a nurse with she grows up. She has one brother and two sisters. Laxmi's mother works as a maid in a local hospital. \$35 Boarder



Beulah was sponsored through our schools and is now working on her four year nursing degree. She likes growing plants. \$80 Nursing

ID: U08222

ID: U08237



Surendra wants to be an engineer. He has one brother and his mother works as a maid to support them, Surendra's father is deceased.

\$23 Day Student



Adyasha lives in a tribal area in a primitive hut with her parents and two siblings. She wants to be a nurse and likes reading and singing. \$30 Day+ Student



Asha Lata strives to be the top of her class and wants to be an engineer. She has two brothers and one sister and likes cooking and singing.

\$35 Boarder ID: U18427

ID: U18512



Abhinaya likes playing cricket and wants to be a collector when he grows up. His father is a mason and struggles to support a large family. \$35 Boarder

VanIalruat heard about the Adventist faith and wanted to learn more. She is working on the Flaiz Bible Worker program and wants to be a missionary. \$80 Bible Worker ID: U16750