

Project Hope

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GREETINGS

Dear Project Hope Supporters,

Day-to-day living in India is many times difficult. The country is relatively small with an area of approximately one-third of the United States while supporting a population of four times our population.

The poverty rate is approximately 60% of the 1.4 billion residents.

Unfortunately, the children within India are many times victims of these societal ills with many homeless children or children whose parents cannot afford them. Homeless children are many times victims of sex trafficking.

Within this darkness, there are rays of hope, such as the children's homes of Pratheeksha and Bethel. The two homes provide for approximately 125 children. The Project Hope Vision Team and the directors wish to convey their gratitude for what Christ is doing, through the supporters, at the children's homes. Over the many years, hundreds of children have been fed, clothed, housed, and educated through donations to Project Hope.

Thank You So Much!



PRATHEEKSHA - - - - -

Many years ago, the directors of the Pratheeksha Children's Home were told that they could no longer house the children overnight on a regular basis. Instead, the children are provided nearby hostels or homes to stay and Project Hope also pays for their clothes, education costs, food, etc. Sometimes, with aid to pay for the basics, a child is able to stay at her home. When possible, the children meet at Pratheeksha during weekends and school breaks.

Students also come to Pratheeksha each day after school, prior to going home, to complete homework and receive a snack. Some of the students are those being fully supported by Pratheeksha while others only receive the snack and homework help.

Shown below are some of the children at an after-school session with the Pratheeksha's Director, Sister Jessy.



BETHEL.....



In February, we were fortunate to have Prabin, who co-directs Bethel with his wife, Susama, visit Horizons. He gave an amazing presentation about the progress of Bethel at each service.

While he was here, members of Horizons fashioned cards for the Bethel children. Prabin then distributed those cards when he returned to Bethel. Shown here are a few of the 70 children housed at Bethel with their cards. It is so humbling and gratifying to see the wonderful smiles of the children upon receiving the cards. It means so much to them to have these tangible expressions of love.



ONGOING NEEDS

The Project Hope Vision Team monitors the expenditures to the homes and the incoming donations. Like all missions, we sometimes experience a loss of a donor and thus we are regularly seeking new or increased donations. Recurring donations vary widely with many within the \$35.00 to \$50.00 range, while some exceed \$100.00 per month. Any donation is greatly appreciated. Please pray about starting or increasing a recurring donation. If you wish, you can always start or increase a recurring gift or make a one-time donation at <https://horizons.church/give/>

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CHILD SPOTLIGHT

Meet Nirmal!

When Nirmal was born his father did not want him. Nirmal's father convinced his mother that he had died at birth. After a few weeks Nirmal's mother found out that his father had lied and that he was still alive. Through a long process, Nirmal's mother was able to have her son returned to her. Shortly after, Nirmal's father took his own life. Nirmal's mother was alone and while she was working she was making only \$2 a day which made it impossible to care for her son. A village pastor brought Nirmal to Bethel and now Nirmal is receiving food, clothing, shelter and an education. Thanks to ongoing giving Nirmal is able to thrive.

Thank you for your donations!

