

Project Hope

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GREETINGS

Dear Project Hope Supporters,

Since 2005, you, the friends of Project Hope, have fed, clothed, housed, and introduced Jesus to hundreds of kids through our two children's homes in India. Both regular giving donations and special fundraisers are actively changing lives!

For the past several years, Project Hope has raised funds to purchase a school uniform and school supplies for each child. This year, some generous donors who had offered to provide special support to Project Hope's mission were invited to participate in raising funds for the educational needs of kids in both homes. We are very thankful to report that we were able to send extra funds toward the of purchase the uniforms and supplies again this year.

It is amazing and humbling to think that Project Hope has literally saved children's lives for 18 years. *Thank you* seems to be tremendously insufficient for our gratitude for all our recurring **and** one-time donors.

You are life changers!

The directors always convey their gratitude for what Christ is doing through the sponsors. In a recent email, Sister Molly, a director at Pratheeksha, wrote "*We offer all of you to the Lord daily and pray for each one of you.*"



PRATHEEKSHA

Sister Molly is pleased to report the children under their care are doing well. Sister Jessy and she are in the process of evaluating the new requests for help that come to them so often.

Approximately 50 school-age children are helped by Pratheeksha. Due to a local government directive issued several years ago, the home in Trichy cannot house the children on a regular basis. Instead, the children are supported to stay in nearby homes and hostels. Education costs, clothes, and food are also provided. The children then come together at the home after school and on weekends.

With the necessary aid for school and other essentials provided by Project Hope, a child may even be able to stay in their home in some cases. Shown in the picture below are a father, mother, and their two children that are being helped by Sister Jessy and Pratheeksha. The mother is not employed, and the father has no regular job - he works as a daily laborer. Without the educational help and other support provided by Pratheeksha, the future of the children would be perilous at best.



BETHEL.....



Due to differing regulations between states in India, Bethel, unlike Pratheeksha, has been able to continue to house the children on their campus on an ongoing basis. They house, feed, clothe, and provide education for approximately 70 children.

Horizons Church is well known for our incredible annual Vacation Bible School. Over the years, hundreds of children have attended this five-day summer event. The children sing, play, laugh, and learn about Jesus. And, literally halfway around the world, Bethel holds a similar electrifying event – the Dynamic Kids Club. Approximately 200 children from Bethel and the neighboring community gathered to have fun and learn about Jesus this year.

Both Horizons' Vacation Bible School and Bethel's Dynamic Kids Club support vision of Horizons to "...bring all children closer to Christ."



ONGOING NEEDS

We are humbled by the spirit and faith of the children and directors in India. We continue to PRAISE GOD for the work that He is doing through Bethel and Pratheeksha and through our partnership with these homes in Project Hope. Please continue to pray for the children in India. If you wish, you can always make a one-time donation or sign-on for a recurring donation at our [website](#). Occasionally we lose a donor, so we are always looking for new regular donors or increased monthly giving.

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CHILD SPOTLIGHT

Meet Priya!

Priya, age 6, and her mother have had many challenges over the years. Priya's father is a chronic alcoholic who has refused to show her any love. Every day, she witnessed violent arguments between her parents. Matters got worse when her mother gave birth to another girl causing the father to attack the mother.

The mother then took the children and fled to another city, far from their father, where she works as a sweeper in a house. Fortunately, she met a local pastor who contacted the directors of Bethel. It was decided that Priya should go to Bethel.

Priya is doing well with Susama, Prabin, & the other children at Bethel. Her favorite school subject is English, and she hopes to be a nurse someday.

Please continue to pray for Project Hope and pray for Priya.



Thank you for your dedication and donations!

FUNDRAISER

[Click here to order your t-shirts now!](#)

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If you follow us on social media, you should have seen that we have kicked off our latest fundraiser!

Michelle Bliemeister, from our Project Hope vision team, has designed these Indian mandala t-shirts highlighting the many ways that we help to provide for and support the kids in Pratheeksha and Bethel Children's Homes.

Each shirt is \$30. And ALL proceeds from this drive will go directly to support the needs of the homes. We have adult sizes in blue & gray and kid size shirts in red as you can see in these pictures.



Just a note about the ordering process – “Register” is the same as “Order”. As you follow the steps in the ‘registration’ process, you will be able to select color & size on two separate steps; BUT if you are ordering more than one size/color, please indicate which color corresponds to which size in the Notes section (e.g. Blue=Medium, Gray=XL). *Sorry for the extra steps! We are working within the limits of the systems we have!*

We appreciate your amazing support of Project Hope, and we are always trying to do the most that we can for the beautiful children and the wonderful, faithful directors of the homes.

Help us reach our goal of selling 200 shirts by September 1st!!!