

Project Hope

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GREETINGS

Project Hope Supporters,

Since 2005, you – the friends of Project Hope – have fed, clothed, housed, and introduced Jesus to hundreds of children within the two children’s homes, Pratheeksha and Bethel. It is amazing and so humbling that our mission is approaching the 20-year mark next year! Thank you so much for your ongoing prayers and monetary support.

We praise God that we are able to not only change these kids’ lives but, in many cases, save lives. Once again, Project Hope provided funds for new school uniforms and supplies for each child supported by Project Hope. As the photos show, even seemingly small gifts are greatly appreciated.

The directors always convey their gratitude for what Christ is doing through the sponsors. Susama, director at Bethel, recently shared –

“We are so grateful. Your contribution has made such a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve – thank you for your kindness and generosity.”

Thank you for giving!



PRATHEEKSHA

Sister Molly and Sister Jessy are pleased to report the children under their care are doing well. They are very proud that twelve students who were aided by Pratheeksha have graduated from high school and are now enrolled in higher studies. This is a tremendous accomplishment for the children and the directors! These children now have the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and create a positive ripple effect throughout India

We are very excited to announce that Sister Jessy will be visiting Horizons on Sunday, September 15. She will speak on stage with Pastor Mandy. We invite you to stay after the 10:45am church service and learn even more about Pratheeksha at a pizza luncheon. It's a great opportunity to personally meet Sister Jessy or reconnect with her if you've met her in the past. We ask that you RSVP with [THIS](#) form or click on the QR code below to RSVP for the luncheon.



BETHEL



Prabin and Susama, the co-directors at Bethel, believe structure is very important to the lives of the children in their care. Prabin shared the schedule for a typical school day.

5:30 am: Wake up and morning devotion

6:30 am - 7:30 am: Personal hygiene

8:00 am: Ready for school

9:00 am - 9:30 am: Breakfast time

10:00 am - 1:30 pm: School classes

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm: Lunch break

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm: Rest time for primary school children

class time for high school children

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Playtime and personal work

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm: Evening snack

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm: Personal study time for homework

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Evening devotion & prayer meeting

for all the staff and students

8:30 pm - 9:00 pm: Dinner time

10:00 pm: Lights out and goodnight



The scheduled activities are supplemented with daily chores such as cleaning their rooms, helping with the laundry, and working in the garden. The children also participate in games.



CHILD SPOTLIGHT

Every newsletter we choose a current child from one of the two children's homes that we sponsor. We want you to learn about all the wonderful kids for whom these homes and your donations are making a huge difference!

MEET PRATIMA!

In a small, impoverished village, eight-year-old Pratima lived with her family. Despite their hardships, she was a bright and hopeful girl. Her father, once the backbone of their family, now suffers from a severe kidney disease and can no longer work. Pratima's mother works tirelessly as a maid, her hands worn from scrubbing floors and washing clothes.

Pratima's mother did everything she could to provide for her and her younger sister, Meera. Pratima was no longer able to attend school although her former teachers praised her for her dedication and quick mind.

One day, a social worker visited their village and learned about Pratima's situation. She spoke to Pratima's mother about Bethel Children's Home, a place where children from struggling families can stay, receive proper care and attend school. With a heavy heart, but hopeful for a better future for her daughter, Pratima's mother agreed to send her to Bethel.

Pratima initially felt a mix of nervousness and excitement when she arrived at the Home. It was a huge change, and she missed her family terribly. However, the staff and other children welcomed her warmly, and gradually Pratima began to feel at home. For the first time that she can remember, she has a safe place to sleep, regular meals, and the opportunity to go to school once again.

School is a dream come true for Pratima. She loves learning and quickly became one of the top students in her class. Every subject fascinates her, but science captured her imagination. Inspired by her father's illness, she dreams of becoming a doctor one day to help others like him.

At Bethel, Pratima also has newfound joy in things as simple as making new friends, playing games, and participating in new activities. The sense of community and support makes her feel happy and secure.



JESSY'S VISIT

Don't miss your chance to meet Sister Jessy in person at Horizons Church on **September 15!** We so look forward to her visit and hearing about the wonderful work that she and Sister Molly are doing for the children in their care! Help us get a head count for the luncheon by RSVPing [HERE!](#)

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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](#). Over time, we have lost monthly donors, so we are always looking for new regular donors or increased monthly giving.



**Please continue to pray for Project Hope.
We praise God every day for the nearly TWENTY YEARS
that this mission has supported children in India!**

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