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# Staying in Touch



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Dear GHI Family:

From all of us in the USA and those on the India campus, we send you prayers for a very rich and wonderful December and the days leading up to celebrating our Savior's birth, death and resurrection from the grave! Enjoy this Advent season while we navigate this Covid-19 world we are living in! Merry Christmas and God's richest blessings for the New Year!

**Sam, Amelia, Aradhana holding Abraham Paul and Fay.**



**Our Father's Home children and staff before Covid-19 and masks.**





**My Perspective** - Looking back through the months, life has been hard for everyone concerned on the campus due to the Global Epidemic. Permit me to say, those of us who live in North America aren't aware of the hardships that our Indian community endure to live from day to day. As evangelical Christians, living from day to day in our affluency, trusting God comes very easily. We save and put monies away in our retirement accounts but no one on our campus has a savings account. They have no social security benefits that they pay into because the government doesn't offer it. They have no pensions unless you have a government job. They do have a national health system but the care and the facilities are so poor that if you were sick, you wouldn't dare go there because when you walk through the doors, you literally put your life at risk. Life is a struggle but when they came to Christ, they were like that man on a cross – He wasn't going back; he was facing only one direction; and he had no further plans of his own!

Their riches come in the form of joy, from serving the Lord and being in a strong community called GHIndia who are all out for God, chasing down people every day who are without a Savior. Their approval and identity comes through that alone.

So, they do what they do, by faith looking unto Jesus, knowing that one day they will see Him and that's enough for them to press on and endure hardship like a good soldier. They do that well and from that alone comes their peace, not from accumulated wealth. For them to live is really Christ, nothing else!

So, can I ask you to prayerfully consider helping them this December and then stay on board with us? It's a train ride that from month to month yields eternal dividends in heaven.

If you've never started giving to this unbelievable work of missions, would you start today? Would you help someone there have a present to open this year?



As you look into the faces of those approximately 125 standing on the steps of Sam and Fay's home, perhaps you could help us support one or two of these children? Some of them were rescued from sexual abuse by their fathers and other relatives and now they're in the process of recovery, which will never end in actuality! It costs \$95 a month, to feed, clothe, educate, have medical checkups, and transport them to and from school and have a short getaway, which they missed this year.

Would you be a part of a December offering that we send there for Sam to give away to those in our community to take care of some bills, perhaps pay off a loan or even buy something special for their children that they would not otherwise have the money for at all?

**It is more blessed to give than to receive! Take a few minutes and listen to God speak!**

**"They who have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honor." Psalm 112:9**

**"One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty." Prov.11:24**

**"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed." Prov. 11:25**



**"...blessed is the one who is kind to the needy." Prov. 14:21b**

**"Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt to their Maker." Prov. 14:31a**

**"A gift opens the way and ushers the giver into the presence of the great." Prov. 18:16**



**"Whoever shuts up their ears to the cries of the poor will also cry out and not be answered." Prov. 21:13**

**"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." Prov. 22:9**

**"Like cold water to a weary soul is good news from a distant land." Prov. 25:25**

**"Those who give to the poor will lack nothing, but those who close their eyes to them receive many curses." Prov. 28:27**

**"She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy." Prov. 31:20**

**"Freely you have received, freely give. Matt." 10:8b**

**"Give and it will be given unto you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38**

**"...if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully." Romans 12:8**

**"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7**

**"If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." 1 John 3:17, 18**



How do you know you're bearing family resemblance to God's Son? You start giving like God, He gave His Son and His Son gladly laid down His life for us. Romans 8:29; John 10:15

Please pray this year will yield the greatest harvest ever for the kingdom. We praise the Lord for each of our partners in this work. We plan to give a generous gift this year, will you join us?..

*Mack and Dottie*