



ASHA Mission

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Asha Mission Children's Home is a registered non-for profit, based out of Ft. Myers, Florida. Began in 2007 under Pastor Babu C. John, who now resides in Florida (*he was driven out of India because of his belief in Jesus/leading Hindus to Christ*). Asha Mission currently has two operating children's homes in India.

Based in Delhi, Asha Mission cares for orphaned and abandoned children from the Delhi and Bihar regions of India. The Delhi home is run by Saji and Gracie Abraham, with the help of two other assistant staff.

The goal of Asha Mission is to provide a place of refuge and care to children who have never known a stable home environment. By way of education, access to healthcare, and a consistent source of nutrition, the children are finding stability and opportunities which they have never known prior to Asha Mission. Asha Mission hopes to maintain a family-like environment by not exceeding thirty children per home and through the leadership of a married couple within each home. Through this set up, each child will have the opportunity to be individually known and cared for according to their own needs and personalities.

As Asha Mission becomes more established financially, their desire is to continue expanding. The hope is to have children's homes established throughout India, and through their work see the lives of children transformed and renewed.

Facts about India*:

Population: 1.1 billion

India has the highest rates of poverty, malnutrition, and disease in the world.**

India has over 350 million children under the age of 14 not attending school.**

75 percent of the population lives on less than \$2 per day**

500,000 children are forced into prostitution every year**

50 percent of India's children are malnourished and underdeveloped.**

Religion: Hindu 80.5%, Muslim 13.4%, Christian 2.3%, Sikh 1.9%, other 1.8%

Orphans: 25 million orphan children

Facts about Delhi*:

Population: 18.8 million (8th largest in the world)

Over half of the population lives in slums, dealing with massive pollution and related diseases and crime waves.

Religion: 84% Hindu, 14.5% Muslim, 0.9% Christian, 0.6% other

*information from Operation World Book

**taken from the Friends of the Good Samaritan site



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Mission: Children's HopeChest believes that every orphan has the right to know God, experience the blessing of family, and have the opportunity to develop independent living skills.

History: Children's HopeChest was founded in 1994 in response to the devastating need of orphans in Russia following the fall of the Iron Curtain. These children had serious basic needs – for clothing, food, medical and facilities – but more compelling was their need for love, human interaction and care, and future hope. In response, Children's HopeChest developed a holistic approach which meets medical, physical, educational, emotional, and spiritual needs of orphaned children and youth, in fulfillment of our mission.

Strategy: Our unique model connects churches, organizations and passionate individuals with orphanages – and now orphan CarePoints – to provide consistent help, training, and discipleship. We have taken this successful model to serve orphans in Swaziland, and more recently in Ethiopia and Uganda. Children's HopeChest now manages individual and church partnerships with over 70 locations worldwide and provides care to over 10,000 orphans.

Who We Partner With: We partner primarily with U.S. churches and Christian communities such as blogs, online groups, book clubs, and small groups. HopeChest believes in the power of one community of believers making a long-term, transformative impact on a community of orphans. Through our Connect Communities, we desire to forge new relationships amongst Christians who desire ministry opportunities with HopeChest, but lack a participating local community. HopeChest also welcomes the partnership of schools and businesses.

What We Believe: HopeChest was founded as and remains to this day an evangelical Christian organization. Our statement of faith affirms our core beliefs and doctrine. In practice, we believe strongly in putting faith into action as an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ. In the tradition of Matthew 25, we believe in demonstrating the power of the gospel by meeting earthly needs within a spiritual context and for an evangelical purpose. Our ministry is demonstrative, hands-on, and purposeful in our faith. We have been accused by some as too Christian, and by others as not Christian enough. It is our heart to incarnate the agape love of Jesus Christ to every orphan we minister to and, in doing so, bring them into wholeness in this world and eternal life for the world to come.

Governance and Financial Accountability: Children's HopeChest is a member in good standing of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability. In accordance with their standards and principles, we are governed by a board of directors. HopeChest's board has the full fiduciary responsibility for the organization and takes active steps to safeguard our financial, spiritual, and programmatic integrity.