

COVENANT Kids

Your faithful donations support programs that meet the educational, social, physical, and spiritual needs of children around the world.

COLOMBIA

One-to-one Sponsorship Program

INDIA

Child Development Centre
Neighborhood Schools
Child Laborers
Rag Picker Children
Children of Commercial Sex Workers
English Medium School, Solapur
St. John's School, Gulbarga
Industrial Training Institute
Higher Education

CONGO

Technical Training
Elementary Education
Girls' Education

SUDAN

Good Hope Academy

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Further in Mission...

Covenant Kids is founded on strong relationships with international partners in Colombia, India, Sudan and Congo. God's love is reaching children whose lives are marked by poverty. By going further in mission with these partnerships children are given hope in the name of Jesus Christ.



Children at the Child Development Centre of India for Christ Ministry hear Bible stories and learn songs. Afterward they receive a nutritious meal.

India



There are millions of impoverished children in India.

Read the story of Kausalya, one of the many children under the care of India for Christ Ministry (IFCM). An IFCM worker writes:

"Kausalya is a 10 year old girl child who comes from a Hindu home. A year ago, she was diagnosed with a heart disease and in need of an open heart surgery. Kausalya's father had deserted the family and, without work, her mother was unable to pay for the

operation. Through the Child Development Centre the Lord enabled us to share the good news of the gospel with this family and pray for them. They put their trust in God who performed a miracle. The doctor re-examined Kausalya and found she only needed medication, not surgery. The family began to attend church regularly. Now the children, Kausalya and her sister Akila, are going being educated in school. IFCM's CDC is taking care of the children's physical and spiritual needs."

The CDC provides informal education, nutritious food and medical care. They support families through trusting relationships. Donations through Covenant Kids provide education, family support, and hope.

Colombia



Covenant Kids in Colombia is going strong thanks to faithful donors over the past twenty-two years! You have inspired the expansion of this program to include children in other countries.

Here is a child whose life is changed because of Covenant Kids, "Dair is ten years



Children in Bentiu, Sudan gathered with adults to dedicate new school buildings for Good Hope Academy. The children made signs, sang songs and presented a warm welcome to church leaders of the Covenant Church in Sudan and the United States.

old and lives with his father and grandmother. His family moved from the farmland to the Canto Claro neighborhood for safety following his mother's death. She was an innocent victim of land rights disputes. Dair's grandmother takes care of him while his father goes back to work on the farms each week. He spends time at the Center for Strengthening Education and Nutrition in the Child (CRENN) where he has educational support, a nutritious meal and a safe place to stay. Covenant Kids donations pay for CRENN in Barranquilla."

Sudan



Each year the Covenant Church of Sudan adds to its numbers, including new members, pastors, preaching points, and churches. Recently, representatives from the ECC visited the Sudan church to deepen the relationship and further the conversation about mission and partnership. They participated in celebratory worship and witnessed the faith of believers despite the realities of poverty.

While there, the ECC representatives and Sudanese church dedicated school buildings of Good Hope Academy. Two cement buildings and five more traditional buildings, made mostly of reeds, were made possible by the offering raised at CHIC 2006. These

buildings will host close to 2,000 students.

These children live with poverty every day as their home country is broken by war, civil unrest, disease and malnourishment. Scholarships given through Covenant Kids allow students to go to school where they receive education, Christian teaching and a meal everyday. Monthly contributions further the mission of Christ in Sudan through the work of Good Hope Academy.

Congo



Ministry with the Covenant Church in Congo (CEUM) continues with over 1,400 congregations and close to 220,000 members. Community development through local churches addresses the needs of those in Congo.

Recently Curt Peterson, Executive Minister of Covenant World Mission visited ministries in Congo. He reports, "At Bokonzo, near Gemena, we walked around to see the community. We entered elementary school classrooms of 90 children squeezed five to a bench, situated on dirt floors with a blackboard, notebook and a pencil as supplies. Funds collected by local churches throughout the Covenant Church have helped provide basic supplies for the children, but the need for more classrooms and teachers is desperate."

Churches involved with Covenant Kids



At Northbrook Covenant in Northbrook, IL offering monies are collected each week during the children's Sunday School. Associate Pastor Eva Sullivan-Knoff says the kids are very enthusiastic about being involved with Covenant Kids and helping someone in another country.

The twenty-five Sunday school children are supporting two children in Colombia and some months even raise more than that. Teachers are also excited about helping their students keep in touch with children in Colombia. Older children write letters and younger children learn that the money they bring is helping another child. One child recently emptied his piggy bank for the offering saying, "I don't really need this money but those children do."

"We want the children to participate in service as they learn Bible stories and truth," says Pastor Eva "the structure of Covenant Kids allows them a sense of ownership with their giving and connection."

You can help...

Your \$25 monthly donation provides scholarships for children, teenagers, and young adults, so they may participate in programs that meet their educational, social, physical, and spiritual needs. To start your monthly contribution, get more brochures or find out more information, call (773) 784-3000, or email to covenantkids@covchurch.org.