

COVENANT KIDS

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CovKids Share Their Stories

Even as we engage in this new discipline of personal distancing, we want to stay connected with you and help you stay connected with your ministry partners. We recognize that for some of you this is a time of unexpected financial stress. We seek only to keep you updated on what God is doing and ask for your continued prayers. Others may still be able to generously give and so we also want to share opportunities for continued financial investments. We are thankful for each of you as our mission friends.



South Sudan

After 14-year-old Chudier Kuey (above, second from right) lost her father in the South Sudan Civil War, her mother struggled to provide for Chudier and her seven siblings. They found hope from the support of the Evangelical Covenant Church of South Sudan and Ethiopia (ECCSSE) through their partnership with CovKids.

The family has been a member of ECCSSE for the past eight years. Through the funding of school fees and

supplies provided by CovKids, Chudier is now in sixth grade at the Evangelical Covenant Primary School. She dreams of becoming a civil engineer in order to build roads and bridges when she finishes her studies.

DR Congo

Debokose endured a long period of illness before she was healthy enough to have a child. Finally, the joyful day came when she gave birth to her daughter, Ngolu. However, Ngolu struggled with her health from the beginning. Despite Debokose's best efforts, Ngolu was not gaining weight and was mostly inactive. She was not taking steps toward learning to walk.

Debokose's restored health began to decline from anxiety. "I didn't know what was at the root of my child's illness and I was wondering a lot



about her life. All this questioning directly affected my health and I was losing weight," says Debokose.

Thankfully, Debokose was able to take her daughter to the local health center resourced by Covenant Kids Congo/World Vision. Ngolu was quickly diagnosed with malnutrition and immediately began to receive treatment which included a vitamin-rich diet comprised of locally-sourced foods.

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Debokose learned new food preparation techniques to provide her daughter with the nourishment she needed.

Ngolu developed a healthy appetite and by the time she was 18 months old, her weight had increased to nearly 20 pounds. She finally gained the strength she needed to learn to walk. With deep relief and gratitude, Debokose says, "Now Ngolu is well and I am very happy to see her playing with her friends. I dream that my child can become a nutritionist when she grows up."

India

Caught in poverty, Mohini was only eight years old when she left school to help her mother earn an income for the family. When Mohini turned 11, she pleaded with her mother to send her younger siblings to school. Her mother had no choice but to say no. Her income was only enough to feed the family two meals a day.



One day, Covenant Social Services (CSS) staff member Mrs. Suchita visited the family and asked Mohini and her sister to join the Child Development Centre. Mohini could not attend regularly because of her responsibilities and the family's expenses. Mrs. Suchita consistently visited her and provided extra tuition while preparing Mohini's sister for schooling as well.

CSS has invested time, energy, and financial assistance to prepare both girls for schooling over the last six months. Mohini and her sister are now attending formal school. CSS is thankful for the

sponsors of CovKids for transforming the lives of children like Mohini.

Colombia

CEIP

My name is Emperatriz and I teach the kindergarten class at Covenant Elementary School (CEIP). I have a lot of hope for these students. One of my greatest desires is to contribute to their holistic formation, emphasizing the role of God in their lives. I feel so blessed to work at this school and privileged to be a part of this wonderful group of committed teachers. We want to provide the best education possible that focuses on loving God and loving others.



House of Peace

My name is Jared and I was born in Medellín. I am in the third grade at the Miracle Elementary School. I like to do schoolwork and my favorite class is art.



I come from a neighborhood in Medellín called Villa Hermosa. I have six siblings. My parents are separated and I have been living with my mom, two sisters, a brother, and my grandmother. I came to House of Peace because there were many times when there was no one around to care for me. I had become someone who would fight with other people. Here at House of Peace, I have learned not to fight so much and I have learned how important it is to respect other people like my teachers and my classmates. I love living in this house and helping to take care of the plants in the garden. I love to run and to swim and when I am bigger I want to fly a jet. My hero is Jesus Christ.

*Thank you for walking alongside these children
as their bright hopes come to life!*

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supports programs
through local
partners that meet
educational, social,
physical, and spiritual
needs of children
around the world.**

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