

CovKids Share Their Stories



South Sudan

Nyathong Chuol is 12 years old and one of the students being supported by the ECCSSE through Covkids funding. She lost both parents in the South Sudan war in Malakal South Sudan and is the only survivor of her household, and she now lives with a distant uncle who does not meet her needs. Nyathong was born in the Covenant Church, and her two late parents were loyal members of the ECC-SSE. She is in grade 6 and usually scores high marks.



Through Covkids funding, Nyathong receives learning materials and food. She applauds the ECC for saving her life from collapsing as well as the lives of other marginalized kids in South Sudan, Congo, and the world at large, and thanks the Evangelical Covenant Church of South Sudan Administration Office for

the Covkids program that transforms the lives of thousands of kids.

Nyathong Chuol is asking the ECC members in USA to boost their efforts and support the Covkids program as much as possible.



India

Abhishek and his two siblings come from a very poor family. His father, an evangelist, is the sole bread earner of the family and has managed to give them education through a local municipal school.



Abhishek's ambition was to become someone in life, so he studied well at the high school. He completed graduation studies in ommerce and wanted to pursue a carrier in ITI (Mechanical Training). However, with his father's income it was impossible for him to pursue further professional education. His father was concerned about him and, in his search to find different options, learned about the HCC/CSS's education support.

Abhishek was financially supported

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through Covenant Kids to match part of his education expenses. He was admitted to an ITI College situated at the suburb of Pune, completed his two years of studies, and found a job with a suitable salary at Maruti Suzuki, a car manufacturing company in India. Abhishek is happy and grateful and says, "These days I look after the family and support my father. These days our economic condition is better. I thank God and HCC for helping me with education, and today I am a bread earner for the family. I humbly strive now to help other less fortunate children so that they can have the opportunity to have a good life."

Colombia

When nine-year-old Jeison came to the Bethlehem Covenant foundation, he had been abandoned by his parents and was living on the streets. He was with the foundation for three years while he finished elementary school, and was then taken in by a pastor's family. In August of 2017, Jeison came to work with the foundation as part of the kitchen team.



Jeison wants to study gastronomy and perfect his cooking skills. He has reconnected with his biological mother and sisters, loves the Lord Jesus, loves music, and loves what he is doing.



"My name is Lizeth. I am 7 years old and live with my dad and mom. My dad is great. Every day he takes me to the foundation Project Hope on the bicycle, and it is quite a ways from our house. My mom helps me with my homework. What makes me sad is when I don't get to see my mom much because she works so much. I love to be a part of the foundation because they take good care of me and they help me in many ways. I am happy with the teachers here that teach me so much and help me with the subjects that I have a hard time in. I also love the food here. My favorite is beans and rice!"



On a hot June afternoon, a group of kids ages 10 to 17 gathered in a classroom in Gemena, DR Congo for a plenary session of the Young People's Parliament to discuss children's rights issues in Congo.



"Children know their own rights now and can express themselves," said the president, "Kids can participate in making decisions in family and community. There is less violence toward children because of this parliament."

The Young People's Parliament began in 2013 with the support of Covenant Kids Congo powered by World Vision. While adult leaders provide guidance, the parliament is student-run. Most recently, the parliament petitioned the education authorities to allow children who could not afford exam fees to take their national exams. As a result, the education authorities decided to waive fees for all 812 students who couldn't afford it—a major victory. These young leaders are the next generation of Congo, and the future is bright!

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

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

