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World Missions Perspectives

Sponsorship>>>

India Central Territory—Eluru Girls Hostel

Through this residential hostel program, children from remote, villages receive quality education, living a dignified life in society, working in the govt. and private sector, and some become officers in the Salvation Army. They find ways to live safely and successfully as productive members of our society. The children are given parental care by the officers and staff in a pleasant environment, being nurtured in the knowledge of Christ. They are growing in the kindness and grace of the Almighty. The hostel has residents from ages 10 – 15yrs.



The girls come because of family crisis, poverty, lack of nutrition and safety in their families and communities. Child sponsorship helps and gives good care, provides education, nutritious diet, clothing, guidance, health care, school supplies, hygiene supplies etc., to the children. The hostel has become a hope and a channel of blessing to the rural communities.

I. Spiritual Activities:

-The Officer in Charge conducts morning and evening devotions in the home. The residents participate, learning action songs, choruses, Bible stories and learning to pray and read the Bible.

II. Educational Activities:

-All the children going to school are getting a good education. The children are also doing well in

their classroom studies.

-Children participate in debates, essay writings, drawing competitions and extra circular activities.

III. Physical Activities:

-Every day the children play for an hour after they return from school. Every other Saturday the children get all day to play.

-Children participate in inter school competitions; sometimes qualifying for competitions and prizes.

IV. Social Activities:

-The significance of social and emotional development is seen in every area of a child's life. Children learn to manage personal feelings, understand others' feelings and needs, and interact positively with others.

-Awareness programs are held on: social issues, trafficking, child rights, gender issues, early child marriages, child abuse, child protection, child trafficking, etc.

V. Other Activities:

Moral Education:

-To protect children, the government has introduced laws for the care and protection of children. Parents and teachers study these laws in detail to protect the children.

Gender Equality:

-Creating social change through advocacy and practical inclusion will allow communities to recognise the role and contribution of girls to society and ultimately promote development.

Special Programs:

-Parents are given counselling on the importance of education. They share ideas, views & their feedback is considered.



Ethical Consumerism—The Journey of a T-Shirt

For the last few months, our consumer habits have drastically changed by necessity. As our world opens back up, let's take this opportunity to make our consumer choices purposefully. Over the next few months, the World Missions Dept. will be producing a weekly social media campaign guiding us towards ethical consumerism. Here is a brief introduction.

Have you ever thought about the journey of the shirt you are wearing right now? Do you know where it was made? The journey of your t-shirt might surprise you. You may think the process of making a t-shirt only happens in the country the tag says it was made in. You may not even think about how a t-shirt is made at all. However, the production of a t-shirt is like

EVERY T-SHIRT ON A RACK
in any store



THAT WE NEVER SEE.

a rollercoaster filled with amazing innovation and fascinating technologies, but also atrocious exploitation of land and people.

National Public Radio (NPR) published a story in 2013 outlining the steps it takes to produce a t-shirt and the results were shocking.

Step 1 - Mississippi, United States of America: Most likely the journey of a t-shirt began on a cotton farm in Mississippi, USA. The USA is such a large producer of cotton due to the relaxed laws for genetically modified crops.

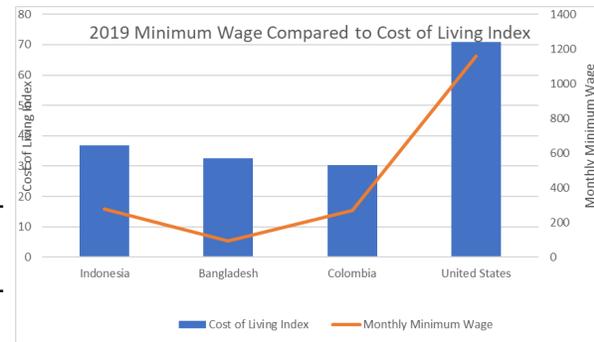
Step 2 - Indonesia: The cotton travels by boat to a factory in Indonesia where giant machines spin



the cotton until it reaches the desired consistency.

Step 3 – Bangladesh: The yarn is shipped to Bangladesh by boat to be woven into fabric, washed, and dyed by giant machines.

Step 4 – Bangladesh or Colombia: Once the fabric is ready to be sewn into a t-shirt, it most likely falls into the hands of a female garment worker in Bangladesh or Colombia. The garment worker is underpaid but the presence of the garment industry in these countries has allowed the worker to move out of her hometown and contribute to society.



Step 5 – The Ocean: Next, one of the most innovative marvels of modern technology is used to ship the t-shirt to the United States for printing. Shipping containers have changed the global economy and it is now the standard for moving goods around the world.

Step 6 – United States of America: Once the t-shirts have arrived in the United States, the shipping containers are loaded on trucks and trains to be printed and then distributed to retail locations.

God can use
→ any of us ←
we just need to
turn to Him.

The injustices in the journey of a t-shirt might not be obvious to the customer picking up a t-shirt from the rack, but that is exactly what makes injustices such as these so pervasive and dangerous. As consumers, we often unknowingly perpetuate injustices. As Christians, we must be intentional in loving our neighbour through our actions. Every time we complete a purchase - whether we realise it or not - we are making a choice and taking a stance. The first step to take in fighting against these injustices is to learn about gravity of the situation. —taken from Stephanie Marinelli's research on ethical consumerism.

Follow us on our social media accounts (listed on page 1) to learn more about the journey to ethical consumerism.

Reflections from GMT to Bluefields, Jamaica

“Day Three – Emily and I had the privilege and joy of beginning our “work day” at the Basic School. It is for children ages 3-6. We did a “Hungry Caterpillar” art project and played with the parachute. These kids spent the rest of the day trying to sneak down to see us as we worked.... While we were there the rest of the team began to work. And what a ton of work we got done today! We got a huge amount done on the sewing center, new stairs made for the storage room and all the new windows are now in the quarters. Everyone helped carry cement bags, everyone that is, but me, who could not walk one foot with one! Emily and I began painting the play structure and our take-away is that oil paint is not our friend. Our team works so incredibly well together and has shown flexibility, creativity, joy, and humor. We can already see how God is blessing our time here and our team. Today we also all tried turkey necks for the first time, as well as bread fruit.



We are enjoying trying all the new things and Nerlande is an amazing cook! The corps members and neighbors who come and give selflessly of themselves to help us has been a huge blessing for our team. The spirit of the people here is so saturated in joy. Tomorrow brings a whole bunch of work, as we finish the sewing room, prepare for the new kitchen cabinets and start on the bathroom for the church, But for tonight we are all sunburned, muscle sore and feeling grateful for a day well spent.”—Cadet Karen B. Felton



Upon their return....



“I haven't been able to post anything about our trip to Jamaica because my heart is so full I end up in tears every time I try to put the experience into words. Anything I can say will come up short on expressing the impact that it had on my life. All I can say is that I will never be the same. I lived my life for the Lord before but now I feel called to an even deeper level of commitment. I want to simplify my house, my spending, my time commitments, my tv viewing, everything. Real joy and satisfaction have nothing to do with how much money you have, how beautiful you

are, how physically fit, how important, or how well connected. Joy and satisfaction come with a strong relationship with Christ and a life well lived. Nolan and I are looking for mission opportunities closer to home and we will definitely be making some changes. I'm not sure what that will look like but we're open and excited about the possibilities. Bluefields Jamaica isn't just a place on a map anymore. It's a state of mind.”—Emily Southfield



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Anniversary 8/23

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