

families although poor. At the close of 2006 there were 540 children receiving 24/7 care in the 17 homes. Free schools are also operated in or near some of the homes which provide education and evangelism of children in the low caste system. A sponsorship program is operated for the *Calvary Childrens Home* located in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Many of the 175 children in this home were Tsunami survivors. *Children of Promise* partnered with *Redeeming India* to provide sponsors for a home of babies saved from infanticide. Fourteen baby girls have been saved and are cared for 24/7 in this home. Rescue operations continue. A sponsorship program is run for two homes, operated by *Harvest International Ministry* pastors, where a total of 32 children (15 developmentally disabled) are cared for 24/7.

- **Kenya** — A Family Assistance Program (Love In Action) is operated in the Western Province of Kenya. A total of 29 children and their families receive supplemental income through our sponsorship program. We also partner with *Reaching Arms International* in providing a sponsorship program for an orphan home which serves 91 children.
- **Malawi** — A sponsorship program provides for a *Harvest International Ministry* pastor's foster home orphan project in Blantyre serving 29 children.
- **Mexico** — *Children of Promise* missionaries operate a mission and children's home in Tijuana, Mexico. A large (former warehouse) was rented and renovated in 2006 which will be home for up to 100 children. Currently over 50 destitute children are receiving 24/7 care in this location. Our mission also partners with three ministries in a sponsorship program: *La Vid Orphan Home* in Juarez (50 children), *Servicios de Vida, A.C.* in Culiacan (10 children), and *Calvary Ministry Institutes of Faith, Hope, and Love Center and UKKANDU* (18 children). Another partner in which we provided sponsorship closed their home in 2006.
- **Moldova** — *Bethany Life Christian Center* is a 10-home unit that caregivers and 62 orphaned and destitute children call home. The 10th home was renovated this year and new home directors are being selected and trained. Our mission partners with *Pentecostal Union of the Republic of Moldova* with a sponsorship program.
- **Nepal** — *Children of Promise* provides a sponsorship program for a partnership home caring for 14 orphaned and destitute children.

- **Nicaragua** — *Hogar de Fe* is home to 61 orphaned, abandoned and destitute children in Los Brazile. *Children of Promise* partners with *Foundation of Nicaraguan Relief and Development* in locating sponsors for the children.
- **Peru** — *El Refugio de Esperanza (The Refuge of Hope)* in Pucallpa is a school providing academic and vocational training to over 400 children of low-income families. *Children of Promise* provides a sponsorship program for this work which also includes 55 children who live in a dormitory at the school. A sponsorship program is also provided for *Home of Peace*, operated by *Go Ye Ministries*. There are currently 11 children in this program.
- **Romania** — *Children of Promise* partners with *Children's Aid International Relief and Development* in caring for 5 children in foster-type homes 24/7 in Medias. Our partners have been approached by the government regarding caring for babies. This may be a future project.
- **Rwanda** — Kigali is where 44 orphaned and destitute children receive 24/7 care in the Mpore Home operated by our partners, *Pentecostal Evangelical Fellowship of Africa*. Most of the children were orphaned due to the nation's civil war. A sponsorship program is operated by our mission.
- **Ukraine** — In 2006 our partners closed the home.
- **Venezuela** — *Children of Promise* continues to provide a sponsorship program for 9 homes in Venezuela and 1 in Colombia for our partners, *Asociacion Benefactora de Ayuda al Nino sin Asistencia*. Over 80 orphaned, abandoned, and destitute children receive 24/7 care. This program also operates two farms and a free school for 90 elementary children. A *Children of Promise* agriculture missionary is assigned to the program.
- **Golden Triangle** — *Children of Promise* partners with *Divine Inheritance* who is caring for 130 orphans in this area.

... in other areas

People groups in Hong Kong are hearing the Gospel and being won to the Lord through an evangelist and pastor sent out by *Children of Promise*. Our mission also sponsors a Russian pastor.

Children of Promise is reaching out to foster parents in a two-county area, where the headquarters office is located, through an initiative called *Supporting Hands*.

... through Promise Teams

Promise Teams provide a great service to our homes. Our facilities would not be what they are today without committed servants constructing or renovating buildings, building walls around compounds, and treating the sick. This year over 15 teams were actively working to make a difference.

2007 FOCUS ON PRAYER

We invite you to join us in prayer so the plans and purposes God has ordained for *Children of Promise International*, to care for the orphans and destitute children of the world, will be fulfilled. Scripture says we are to *pray without ceasing* (1 Thes. 5:17). It is prayer, faith, and action that will save these children from physical and spiritual death. Prayers for the outreaches listed in this brochure would be a great blessing to this mission, in addition to prayers for the wisdom and work of the staff and Board of Directors. Special prayer vigils are planned for 2007. In the comfort of your home, please join us at these special times as well.

Monthly prayer and fasting—2nd Tuesday
 24-Hr prayer/fasting—11 a.m. 1st day to 11 a.m. 2nd day:
 March 30/31, July 6/7, December 7/8
 40-Day Prayer and fasting—September 4 - October 13

Please provide us with your email address or fax number if you would like to be advised of *prayer alerts* for the children/homes. Send the information to info@promise.org or call 888.6 ORPHAN. Also let us know when you have a special prayer need so we can join you in prayer.

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a GLOBAL View

The year of 2006 was a year of refocus and pruning for *Children of Promise International*. It was a year to cut away that which was not being fruitful. Or, in two cases, the children's home could be better cared for by a sister organization working in close proximity.

In October of 2006, the Board of Directors refined the focus of the mission to *caring for orphans and destitute children through Christ-centered childrens homes and programs and providing for needy children through feeding and nutrition programs, free schools and higher education opportunities, and family assistance*. What weighs heavy on our heart is to train the orphans and destitute children up in the way they should go—knowing Jesus Christ. Meeting their physical needs is very important to us and very necessary, but just as necessary is giving them every opportunity to accept their salvation through receiving Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. They are the future of the nations, and will be instrumental in spreading the Gospel to their part of the world. God does not wish for any to perish; and the generation we are caring for now will be arrows in His hands full of His truth.

God's heart is also for helping widows, and the ministry did make this a part of the mission in 2004. In 2006 assistance was given to two special projects in Kenya and D. R. Congo in conjunction with Family Life Resource Center. This outreach offered widows and abandoned women help with food, as well as a micro-lending program to help the women start their own businesses. The program is proving very successful. When the loans are paid back, the money is used again for the next widows and women in need. This was accomplished through special funding received from a major donor. Assistance was also given to widow programs in India. Near the close of 2006, it was determined by the Board that although widows are very dear to God's heart and a very worthy mission, it was not the God ordained focus of the ministry, which is caring for orphans and destitute children. Therefore, the widow program is no longer in effect. Widows do continue to be placed in the role of caregiver and worker at many of our homes and receive support as a worker.

Issues and Response

According to the most recent statistics, over one billion children suffer from one or more forms of extreme deprivation. More than 1 in 3 does not have adequate shelter and 1 in 5 lack safe water. In 2003 10.6 million children died of which half was due to malnutrition.

Children of Promise International is one among many organizations trying to decrease the statistics by providing food, shelter, medicine, and an education to children who are orphaned or destitute in 18 countries. This is accomplished by

providing 24-hour care of orphaned, abandoned, and impoverished children in Christ-centered children's homes through the partnership support of individuals, businesses, corporations, churches, ministries, and foundations.

Many children in the communities where *Children of Promise* homes and/or programs are located also hear about the love of Jesus through feeding and nutrition programs, free schools, family assistance programs and evangelism.

There is a great need to help care for rescued children around the world, evidenced by the receipt of over 1,000 requests from over 50 countries to come help.

Outreach

... to Orphaned and Destitute Children

- **Cambodia** — *Children of Promise* partners with *Foursquare Children of Promise* in a Christ-centered 24-hour orphan care program that serves nearly 3,000 children. The mission is responsible for sponsorship of seven homes. Children orphaned from parents dying of AIDS or from land mine explosions are flourishing under the loving care they receive, growing in the Word of God, developing their God-given gifts and talents through numerous educational and vocational opportunities, and becoming lights in their nation for the spreading of the Gospel.
- **Colombia** — Here we partner with *Fundacion Educativa LEA* sponsoring children of single-parent homes located in the slums of Zamora. The program helps provide snacks, school supplies, and funding for special events as well as a Bible study time. A high school program provides weekend programs on self-confidence, decision making, and spiritual growth to help keep young people off the streets and off drugs. They have a 90% success rate.
- **Costa Rica** — *Homes of Life* operated by *Children of Promise* missionaries care for 26 abandoned and abused children (between birth to 12 years) 24 hours a day. Children are placed in the home by the government and remain until they are healthy and strong and can return home with family or are adopted, or until they are 12, when the government will place them in another approved home. Plans are in process to purchase land and establish a new home for teenage children so those who remain through their 12th birthday can continue to live and be guided under the same loving care until they are gainfully employed after graduation from school.
- **D.R. Congo** — Fourteen orphaned, abandoned, and destitute teenage boys receive 24-hour care in foster-care type homes in Kinshasa. This *Children of Promise* sponsored program helps provide for the physical needs and education of the boys. The program is operated in partnership with *Family Life Resource Center*.
- **Guatemala** — The *Children of Promise* home in Guatemala cares for 32 children 24/7. The home also operates a nutrition program in the community. The *Shadow of His Wings Orphanage*, operated by our partners, *The James Project*, is home to 28 female youth who have been abused and neglected by parents. This program moved from Guatemala City to a new location in Monjas where one new home as been built and a second is under construction. *Children of Promise* provides support through sponsorships of the girls. (A total of 61 girls have been touched by this program in a little over one year.) *Nueva Vision*, operated by our partners, *Reaching Arms International*, serves 32 children at risk. We have a sponsorship program initiated for this home.
- **Haiti** — *Children of Promise Haiti* consists of three homes with 78 children receiving care 24/7. A Family Assistance Program (Love In Acton) is also operated with the families of 54 destitute children receiving supplemental services.
- **India** — *Children of Promise* reduced the number of homes to 17 in 2006. Three of the former homes were transferred to another ministry who was in a better position to provide supervision over the homes. One partner withdrew, and others were closed due to integrity issues. The number of children in each of the remaining homes were reduced as the numbers sponsored could not cover the home expenses, making it difficult to provide adequate care. These were children who did have

