

ABOUT INTERCEDE INTERNATIONAL

Mission Statement

Intercede International seeks to establish, encourage, and strengthen an indigenous, New Testament witness for our Lord Jesus Christ among all nations by providing material and spiritual aid to Christians who are impoverished, few, or persecuted; and to encourage Christian witness and ministry to the international community in Canada.

One Body in Christ

Our Lord was born in Bethlehem and grew up in Nazareth. There He was God living on earth in a human body. He died for our sins, rose from the dead, and was exalted above the heavens. Then the Lord sent His Holy Spirit to His disciples and lived within them. God's Word tells us that all true believers "are one Body in Christ, and every one members one of another" (Romans 12:5). "If one member suffers, all suffer with it" (1 Corinthians 12:26). Intercede International carries out its vision and programs by linking God's people in Canada with fellow believers in areas of poverty and persecution.

About Intercede International

God raised up Intercede International to educate His people in Canada about working alongside indigenous missions and strategies for reaching the nations at home. It was started in Canada in 1953 and has been responsible for informing Christians about the new directions in foreign missions methodologies.

Intercede International has practised financial accountability for more than half a century. It is governed by a responsible board of business and professional leaders who subscribe without reservation to Intercede's Statement of Faith and Missionary Principles. All accounts are audited annually by an independent Chartered Accountant. Annual reports are available upon request. Intercede is a certified member of the Canadian Council of Christian Charities (CCCC) and also of the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC).



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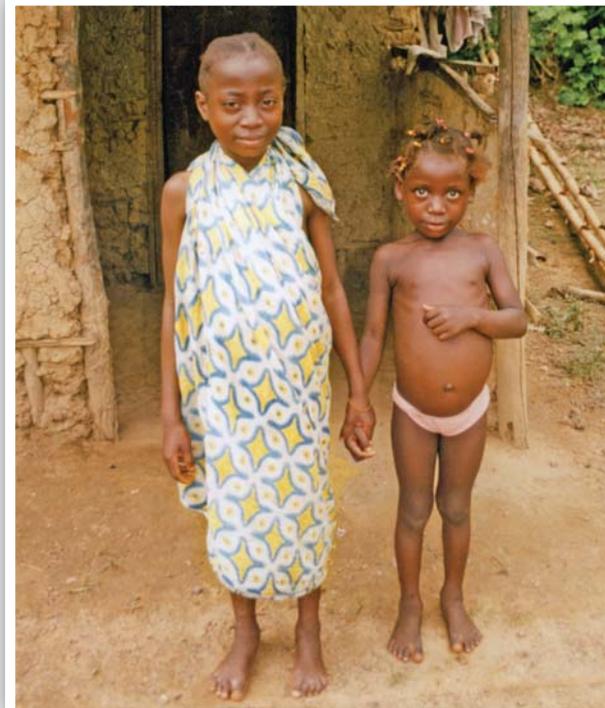
SPONSOR A CHILD: MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR ETERNITY



In many parts of the world today, children live in deplorable conditions. They lack the basic necessities Canadians often take for granted such as food, clothing, shelter, education, and medical care. Many parents, because of poverty or disability, are unable to provide their children with schoolbooks, uniforms, supplies, health care or even adequate food. How can we help them? Child sponsorship through Intercede International is a good solution.

Millions of children have no parents at all. They are often found living on the streets. Many such children die of sickness and malnutrition. These children live naked or in rags—malnourished, untrained, and worst of all, unloved.

Indigenous ministries overseas see thousands of children who desperately need help, but they are limited in what they can do. Just as Jesus didn't turn away the children brought to Him, these missionaries simply can't turn away the helpless children that just turn up. Many of these missionaries take needy children into their own home to love and nurture. Helping such children and sharing the love of Jesus with them often



These two children, Ciata and Grace, lost their parents during the Liberian civil war when the rebels attacked their village in 2003. The church is now taking care of them.

brings both them and their entire family to faith in Jesus Christ. By partnering with these indigenous ministries together we can make a difference that will last forever.

Growing a Missionary

An indigenous Christian orphanage in Indonesia reported: "A boy from a Muslim family came to our orphanage. Although his family was very poor,



Many children raised in Christian orphanages will later become missionaries or committed Christians in their communities.

he wanted education. For a few weeks he gave us difficulty about going to Christian activities, which are required of all the children. Later in life he received Jesus Christ as his Saviour, and when he left the orphanage he married a Christian girl and became a pastor on the isolated island of Sulawesi, Indonesia."

Indigenous ministries provide needy children with a home, food, clothing and education. But, most importantly, they share with them the love of Jesus and the way of salvation. Years later many will become missionaries or committed Christians in business and professions, thereby strengthening the local church in its life and witness.

Hope for their future

Many children in India and other developing countries generally have their future carved out for them as soon as they are born. This means if you are born in a well-to-do family you will have opportunity to go to school and choose a profession. For those born into lower castes or extremely poor families, there is little opportunity for education and thereby no opportunity to choose a profession



Street kids and orphans in Ukraine are now cared for by loving foster parents and workers.

that would enable them to live a comfortable life. For many young children this means that they will become "little parents" caring for their infant siblings, child workers carrying heavy loads trying to earn a few pennies for food, or maybe a beggar. These are the children that are taken into Christian children's homes. There they have the opportunity for education and a bright future and most importantly, they are introduced to Jesus, who they learn to trust.

In some regions of China, such as Tibet, there are many abandoned children living in the streets. Some of these children were abandoned because of China's one child/one family policy. If a child is born handicapped, she might be thrown away by her family. Other children are abandoned



This little Filipina girl is happy because she now has a Canadian sponsor.

simply because they are girls. In the past few years, Intercede International has been assisting ministries that rescue orphans, abandoned children, and handicapped children. Chinese Christians have found that compassionate projects such as orphanages and homes for disabled children are effective means of meeting physical needs while also opening the door for evangelism. Because of security issues, photos and biographies of sponsored children in China are not available.

Why are these children smiling?

Once these children cried, and faced certain death by disease and starvation, but loving Christians from an indigenous evangelistic mission group took them in with help supplied through Intercede International sponsors.

They gave them a home, food, clothing, and taught them to read and write. But, most importantly, they shared with them the love of Jesus and the way of salvation. They taught them to sing, play, and work together. That's why they are happy now!

How Child Sponsorship Works

Intercede International has hundreds of biographies of needy children from around the world who require sponsors. Some of these children have lost both their mother and father. Others have parents who cannot supply even their basic needs of health, food, clothing, shelter or education.

When you send your first gift of \$30, a child is selected for you. You will then receive a photo as a prayer reminder, a brief biography, and details of the



Disabled children abandoned by their families in China have been given new hope.



Children have been saved from starvation by indigenous Christian ministries.

group that is caring for your child. Annual reports on your individual child and updated field reports of the group will be forwarded to you as often as they are received by Intercede International. Your sponsorship gifts will be combined with those of other sponsors and sent to the headquarters of the indigenous work caring for those children. From funds you and others send, local workers provide for the needs, including Christian teaching and love, for those under their care. As a sponsor you can also provide life-saving prayer.

Some sponsors have been sponsoring a child since they were a few years old, and they have carried them right through until now they're married or into college. They have found it very rewarding and fulfilling to watch their progress, as go from poverty and sorrow to the place where they experience the love of Christ. They in turn share that with their parents or family members, so the gospel gets spread that way.

To sponsor a needy child in a developing country through Intercede International's Child Sponsorship program, contact our office at: 1-800-871-0882.

I want to help Indigenous Missions. Enclosed is my gift to help support indigenous ministries which are assisted by **Intercede International**. To designate your gift for Intercede, please return this portion with your donation. Make all cheques payable to **Intercede International**. All gifts are tax deductible.
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- Please send me information on Pre-Authorized payment.

- To sponsor a child at \$30/mth or more. Country/region: _____
- To sponsor a missionary at \$50-\$100/mth or more. Country/region: _____
- To adopt a mission board at \$ _____/mth. Country/region: _____

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