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The Scourge of Sexual Slavery

Imagine that you are a young 13-year-old girl in India.

Your mother died from illness when you were ten years old. You and your family are part of the Untouchable class of India's social caste system, which means that you are an unwanted and barely tolerated member of society. Now imagine that your widower father is an alcoholic rickshaw puller, struggling to provide food for the table. Just three years after your mother's passing, your father, out of desperation and blinded by his addiction, sells you to a local brothel for \$25.

Forced into the sex trade, you are desperate to return to a life of freedom, where your body is your own. You cry out to anyone who might take pity on you, but no one listens. Hopelessly faced with a life of sexual slavery, you choose to end your life rather than suffer in this one any longer.

You commit suicide. The brothel owner, disgusted with the loss of your earning potential, orders your body to be driven to a remote area and dumped in the roadside bushes. But you are not dead, yet. As you lie motionless in the darkness, discarded like unwanted trash, two men pass by on foot. With your last bit of strength you manage a few pitiful groans. Miraculously, the

two men hear you, find you, and carry you to their village where you are given emergency medical treatment.

As it happens, the two men are pastors who had been preaching in a nearby village. They report having found you to Pastor Parishudha Babu, one of our India Partners. You awaken to find that your life has been spared. You are free from



Help save a girl from the evil of sexual labor

the bondage of sexual slavery! The men and women who care for you show you a kind of love that you have never experienced before, and they welcome you with open arms.

With the promise of a bright future, and eternal life with a Heavenly Father who loves you, you accept Jesus as your Savior. You thank God as you pray not only for your rescuers at Orphans Faith Home, but also for the family in the U.S.A. who now faithfully

supports you with their monthly sponsorship. Their faithful giving allows Orphans Faith Home to provide you with food, shelter, clothes, and to attend school, as you grow daily in your new faith.

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This is a true story. The girl's name is Laxmi. This story is a shining example of what we do here at India Partners. We don't offer this story as a way of coercing you to write a check, but rather as a praise report of God's faithfulness.

I John 3:16-18 (NirV) tells us, "We know what love is because Jesus Christ gave his life for us. So we should give our lives for our brothers and sisters. Suppose someone sees a brother or sister in need and is able to help them. If he doesn't take pity on them, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, don't just talk about love. Put your love into action. Then it will truly be love."

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India Partners is opening a special fund to help rescue girls and women who have been sold as commercial sex workers. The fund will also help those infected by HIV/AIDS. Your gifts will provide new beginnings for these tender lives. May God bless your kindness.

I want to help rescue and heal young women in India!



\$20 \$35 \$50 \$100 Other _____

Special CSW / HIV / AIDS fund

Where Most Needed

Other _____

I'm enclosing a check payable to India Partners.

My donation is a monthly pledge for _____ months.

I authorize India Partners to withdraw my gift of \$_____ per month, beginning _____/_____, from the account on the **enclosed voided check**.

Withdrawal on: 1st of the month 15th of the month

Signature _____ Date _____

I understand I can have my automatic withdrawal stopped at any time.



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Mission Statement:

Partnering with the people of India in ministry by cultivating relationships, sharing resources, and encouraging self-sufficiency, through the compassion and wisdom of Jesus Christ.

India Partners is a Christian international development and relief organization committed to supporting self-help ministry projects in India.

We believe in helping the people of India help themselves, with God's grace. All are served regardless of caste, religion, gender or creed.

Activities include orphanages, schools, literacy programs, church support, Bible training, disaster relief, vocational training, medical ministry, livestock loans and agricultural projects.

India Partners also manages short-term teams, speakers and sponsorship programs.

India Partners pledges to use your gifts in the most efficient way possible to help suffering people, and to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

Our annual report and independently audited financial statements are available upon request.

India Partners is a 501(c)(3) charity. Donations are tax-deductible according to law.

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Living in God's Abundance

In our newest video, available on DVD, you will learn how the untimely death of his mother leads a Christian teen named Isaac Benarjee to rebel against God. As a young man, Isaac repents and dedicates his life to God's service. Upon graduating from seminary, he pastors a church, works in a gospel radio ministry, and eventually returns to his home to establish India Abundant Ministries.

Real-life stories show how India Abundant Ministries:

- establishes local village churches
- provides for poor children, widows and others in need
- provides job training for young women to become seamstresses

To request your complimentary copy of "Living in God's Abundance," just check the appropriate box and return the tear-off portion below.



Request a free
DVD today

Photos and stories from our most recent teams may be found on our website. Check them out at indiapartners.org!

Wanted: Your Skills and Loving Hearts

Three wonderful opportunities are available for you to share your skills and your love of Christ in India next winter. Prayerfully consider joining a short-term team to India.

And pray for those who have already made the commitment to go: Brian, Donna, Milt, Brian and Jackie. You can bless many through your service, even as you will be blessed.



The cost is approximately \$3,200 (\$3,400 to "Serve Jungle Tribes") plus round-trip airfare to Los

Angeles or San Francisco. To apply, or for more information, call team coordinator Brian Stark of DELTA Ministries at (800) 533-5822, go to indiapartners.org, or call us toll-free at 877-87-INDIA. Registration deadlines are approaching, so do not delay!

Serve Orphans and Churches

November 28–December 12, 2007

Registration deadline: Aug. 28, 2007

The team will travel to two partner sites in Andhra Pradesh. There you will serve orphanage children, villages and church communities through a variety of activities that may include eyeglass clinics, first-aid/CPR training, puppet shows, leadership/ministry training, building cooking stoves and leading children's activities.



children's ministry

Serve Jungle Tribes

February 14–28, 2008

Registration deadline: Nov. 14, 2007

The team will travel to a partner site in Orissa. There you will serve the local tribal

peoples through a variety of activities that may include general medical clinics, dental bonding, eyeglass clinics, first-aid/CPR training, puppet shows and leading children's activities. For those



jungle outreach

interested in serving for an extended time, this trip may be combined with the "Serve the Disabled" team, below.

Serve the Disabled

February 24–March 4, 2008

Registration deadline: Nov. 24, 2007

The team will travel to a partner site in Tamil Nadu. There you will serve the physically disabled,

who are receiving free computer training, through a variety of activities to include physical therapy, ESL or conversational English and



computer training

computer training. For those interested in serving for an extended time, this trip may be combined with the "Serve Jungle Tribes" team, above.



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I would like to use my credit card to help:

- Visa MasterCard

Expiration Date: ____/____/____ Amount: \$ _____

Card No. _____

Signature _____



Or you may donate securely online using your Visa, MasterCard or Amex at www.indiapartners.org

I have included India Partners in my will

I am interested in:

- Sponsoring a **child, teacher, pastor or widow**
- Joining a **volunteer team** to India
- Setting up a **charitable gift annuity**
- Inviting a **speaker** to my church or club
- Being an **advocate** for India Partners
- Receiving India Partners' **prayer letter**:
 via email via surface mail
- The **free biography** of Dr. Iris Paul
- The **new 2007 DVD** on Rev. Isaac Benarjee