



PLEASE HELP ONE OF THESE CHILDREN? ...



your gift will make a difference this Christmas! We need your help to make this happen!

This year there are around 150 Children from 3 different Orphanages and around 550 disadvantaged children living in conditions well below the poverty line who are earmarked for a gift. Most are single parent families from rural districts and each day they struggle to survive. Some live in Tea / rubber Plantations, some are victims of the civil war that ended in Sri Lanka, **YOU can help make a Difference!**



VOLUNTEERS WE Need
Your help to sort, wrap and pack Christmas gifts!



Community Service Certificates can be arranged. School age students must Register. Contact Anne (after 7pm weekdays) on 9451 0906. Please leave or leave your name and contact details or e-mail info.

'Ripples' Network Heaven News

Here's your opportunity to bring some Christmas cheer to a poor child in Sri Lanka

Network Heaven has been sending a Christmas parcel to disadvantaged kids in Sri Lanka for over 10 years. The gifts are distributed by our Local Partners Sister Flor-ella a Carmelite nun, Sister Alex from the Sisters of Charity and Mrs Algama from the Baptist Womens League. There are no 3rd parties and children of all races and communities receive a gift without discrimination. All of the children come from single parent,

low-income families. Some live in Plantations, war refugees or simply need your help. Sri Lanka is a 3rd world country and there is no social security system. Education is one of the best ways that can help a child break the poverty cycle. For this reason we supply a stationery pack so all the children are encouraged to attend school. Some basic toiletries, lolly bag and small toy are included because this may be the only gift they will ever receive! Children at the Bethlehem Creche are in the 0 to 5 age group. Children from Selvanagar Junior school in the North are between 6 and 10 years (180 of them). They have all got their own sad stories to tales. So your gift is important to them.

Each child receives a new outfit, underwear together with practical items for school eg: coloured pencils and pens,

toiletry item such as soap, toothbrush and toothpaste, hanky, lolly bag and a small toy where possible. **You can select a child from our list. Contact Anne to obtain a name. Alternately you may want to purchase misc items.**

(please see 'whats needed' on reverse side of the page)

Our Local Partners in Sri Lanka need **Used** 'Fischer Price' type toys—they are setting up 3 Pre-Schools in the former war zone.

Must be small to medium size



These 2 boys live in a Plantation and are wearing their new clothes and proudly showing off their goodies.



Mum Annie, with Jona & Tana making up lolly bags - they had lots of fun!



'To Sri Lanka with Love'
Help them smile this Christmas
.... You can make a difference!

To Sri Lanka with Love 2011 ~ you can make it happen!

We need 700 cakes of soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, washers, hand towels and combs!

Donations for freight and bulk stationery items can be made by cheque payable to: **'Network Heaven'** C/- Frenchs Forest Baptist Church P O Box 198, Frenchs Forest NSW 1640

Need some ideas?

Why not get family and friends involved and purchase undies for an age group either girls or boys ~ we need a large number of these ~ in fact 2100 so everyone gets 3 each!

Kmart & Big W have packs of cotton undies at a good price. Why not grab a bargain and help a good cause!

More information?



Contact **Winsome** on 02 9451 6097 or **Anne** on 9451 0906, M 0409 329 096 after 7pm or by e-mail at anne_salvador@yahoo.com



What is needed:

Summer Clothes 1 set of new clothes and 3 pairs of cotton undies per child. Must be light cottons to suit hot climate, **Dress or skirt and top for girls (no shorts, minis or straps), Drill shorts and shirt for boys.** (no jungle patterns or boardies please). Underwear needs to be 100% cotton and modest (g strings are not appropriate).

Stationery Textas, coloured pencils, pens, crayons, water colour box with lid, highlighters, rulers, sharpeners, maths sets, stickers, pencil cases, template shapes—alphabets etc

Toiletries Fragrant soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, talcum powder, face washers, hand towels, safety pins and nappy pins

Hair Accessories & Trinkets Hair Clips, brush and comb sets, rolls of ribbon, handkerchiefs, bangles, chains and earrings, hair bands

Novelty items & Toys match box size cars, balls, marbles, skipping ropes, small dolls, small games, hats, tennis balls, hand held mini puzzles, packets of farm animals (mist be small), **no toy guns please!**

Craft Items beads, craft scissors, glitter glue, duplo, craft paper punches, stamps, stencils etc

Sweets & Chocolates—A luxury item but loved by all.

Other Back packs, kids raincoats, folding umbrellas, light summer fabrics, sewing kits, band aids and first aid items, white singlets for girls size 12-14, Underwear is needed for ladies size 10 and girls age 8 to 14 and boys Age 8 to 18.

Note: All goods are cleared and distributed direct by Our Partners in Sri Lanka. **There are no 3rd parties.**

Do you have any of these used items in good condition?

- Light electric typewriters
- Transistor radios
- Digital cameras & mobile phones
- Small scanners
- Guillotines for craft
- Indian Sarees and Salvars of any type

These items are most welcome by many poor families and those wanting to set up a small business or for use at an Orphanage.



Kiddies from the Bethlehem Creche wearing their gifts

All gifts need to be handed in by 17 September

Do you have access to obsolete 'Corporate gifts'?

We are looking for **shirts, pens, caps, stationery, mugs, bags** of all sorts including calico, non-woven, **satchels, back packs, umbrellas, clocks, calculators, thermos flasks and cups**— anything practical to include as gifts for poor families. There are many groups who will benefit from these—Elders Homes, Orphanages. families of Prisoners, Refugees and victims of war.

Companies often dispose off items where there's been print errors or branding changes or are simply obsolete.

These items are welcomed by those in the 3rd world. If you have any items you are unsure about contact Anne or Winsome.

Lollies & chocolates are a luxury!

here are some cheaper alternatives that kids still love. Fantaes, Red skins, Sherbies, M & M's, Chuppa chups, Min-ties, Starbust Lifesavers etc,



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