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THE RIDE FOR CHILDREN IN CRISIS

Your Mission Global Team



You have probably seen the images of children fleeing the violence in Ukraine. To date, more than two million children have been displaced by that conflict. I hope that seeing those images have left you with a resolve to make a difference for those children.

Ukraine is only one part of the picture. Around the world today, more than 400 million children are displaced by war.

Beyond the trauma of displacement, **children suffer from lack of healthcare, education, food and shelter, all while being the targets for violence, abuse, and trafficking.**

For the last two summers, we have held Ride to Thrive events across Canada. To date, almost \$500,000 has been raised by

partners like you, who have ridden bikes, run, walked, volunteered, and donated, all to help vulnerable people around the world.

This year, the Ride to Thrive is focused on children in crisis due to conflict. When we come together as a community for the good of others, we can do amazing things! Every dollar raised will provide life-saving help, medical care, school supplies,

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psycho-social support, and anti-human trafficking efforts for children. Your impact will go beyond the Ukraine conflict, and support children fleeing war zones in Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Yemen.

But there is something you can do today, to take action. And it's pretty simple (and fun)!

You can take part in three ways:

Participate by riding, walking, or running [HERE](#).

Host a Ride to Thrive event in your community [HERE](#).

Support a rider with a donation [HERE](#).

Our team hopes that you can participate! When you sign-up, host, and give, you will be giving hope to children and families who have lost everything.

We hope to see you on the road this summer!



GLOBAL WORKER FAMILY

THE SEILING FAMILY

Greg, Sarah, Sam, Asher, and Anaya in the Philippines

RAYMOND'S TRANSFORMATION:
GOD'S REDEMPTION AT WORK



LY FEATURES

We first met Raymond in 2014 when he attended the basic discipleship program we ran at ACTION Second Mile Ministries. When Raymond was young, his mom passed away. Sometime after that, he witnessed the death of his father. Being orphaned at a young age, he went to live with a family member, where he was mistreated and not given the chance to go to school. Because of the way he was treated, Raymond decided to run away and live on the streets of Manila. In 2014, people from a ministry in Manila started to develop a relationship with Raymond and shared the gospel with him. Raymond wanted the change in his life that they talked about. So, after spending a few months visiting their shelter and learning center, they referred him to ACTION Second Mile Ministries to join the basic discipleship program.

Like Raymond, many children end up on the streets because of poverty and the different types of abuse they experience. Life on the streets is hard; it's an open door for drugs, crime, and trafficking. Raymond spent several years on the streets facing these dangers and many others. Despite the risk of being thrown in jail, to survive, Raymond illegally sold event tickets at a stadium near the parking lots and streets where he slept.

When Raymond came to the discipleship program in 2014, we could see on his face that he had been through many difficulties. He looked rough and tough,



jaded and guarded. However, the Holy Spirit began to soften his heart and change him through the nine-month program. He grew in knowledge and understanding of who God is and who he is in Christ. He also grew in confidence and maturity. After graduating from the basic discipleship program, Raymond went on to the discipleship and vocational training program on campus. There he continued to be discipled while learning automotive repair. Once he graduated from that program, Raymond returned to the ministry in Manila that first reached out to him. He lived in their shelter, eventually finishing his elementary and high school education and graduating from other technical skills training courses

while volunteering at the ministry that helped get him off the street. He was now reaching out to other kids on the street. Last year, after Raymond finished training for his technical skills course, he returned to ACTION Second Mile Ministries, where he is currently working as a groundkeeper and maintenance personnel.

We recently had Raymond over for hamburgers. Throughout the meal, he reminisced about his life on the streets and how different his life is now. We share Raymond's story because it is a story that clearly shows us the transformational work of the Holy Spirit. It also gives a picture of the body of Christ and how we all work together to evangelize,

disciple, and equip. Some people first introduced Raymond to Jesus. Other people disciplined him, mentored him, and equipped him. And others prayed and gave financially for these types of ministries to be possible. God used and continues to use different people to help Raymond along his faith journey. This is a beautiful picture of the body of Christ operating how God intended. We all have a different part in God's work, and it's great to be a part of it. But the greatest part is seeing the Holy Spirit do His work by bringing transformation in a person's life.

Please pray for Raymond as he continues to walk with Christ and grow in his faith. Please pray for ACTION Second Mile Ministries as we disciple, train, and equip Filipinos in various difficult life situations.

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THE ROWLEY FAMILY

HE IS A TRUSTWORTHY GOD IN HARD TIMES

Ian, Tiffanie, Emilyn and Sophia in Cambodia





Have any of you experienced frustration in the last couple of years with all the craziness happening in life right now? Yeah, us too! Do you sometimes wonder where God is when you feel hurt, sad, or in need? Yeah, well, it's a real question to ask, but we have been called to be strong! We can find the answers to that question in His Word and then believe what His Word says. Isaiah 26:3-4 says, "You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you because he trusts in You. Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock." So we can hold firm to the assurance that He never changes and place our FULL hope in Him!

Despite the last couple of years being difficult in so many ways, God does not change who He is and is still faithful and true in all His ways. He is still healing people, leading people in His truth, providing for families, and doing the miraculous. This doesn't change

depending on what country you live in, but this is always true.

In 2021, Cambodia went through a season where no one was allowed to leave their area of the city, and it was tough to find food due to shortages caused by COVID-19. Parents could not work, and there was not a lot of money. With sadness, frustration, and hurt all around, I'm sure many families here asked the same question, "Where is God?"

Our family has come to Cambodia to share with those around us that there is a God we can trust, even through hardships and pandemics. He is trustworthy, faithful, and good, and He wants to walk alongside us through the hard times and the amazing times. He is with us. While the things around us change, He does not.

Our family helped share this truth by distributing food to various communities

and families when they needed it the most. One area had no access to food for six days by the time we arrived! This food was an answer to their prayers. Emilyn and Sophia loved helping organize this ministry since our front yard became a grocery store! There were thousands of eggs, more vegetables, and bags of rice than you can count! Scan the QR code with your camera to see a video of Emilyn and Sophia helping put the food packages together.

Through your generous support through ERDO, we were able to help over 2000 families receive food for that month. Maybe they were questioning, "Where was God?" during those days. But I believe that in serving others and sharing God's love, they heard again that there is a God who loves them, and He is true, faithful, and good...just like He said He would be in His Word. Are you trusting God in your life today?

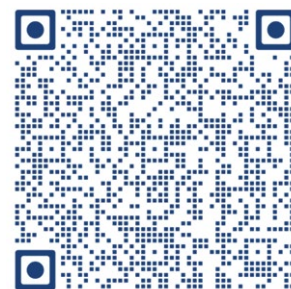
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THE MCCREA FAMILY

I HATE LOVE SCHOOL!

Darren, Patty, James, and Darien in Colombia





Suddenly, the kid who hated school had found himself leading the effort to build another church, The Father's House, AND A SCHOOL!

I know that everyone has their own experience when it comes to school. For some, they love studying; for others, it is good some days and rough on others, but for a lot of us, school is just something that we would rather do without.

For me, school was not fun, and I was bullied A LOT. So, when I finished my studies, I was rather relieved. And then God happened. Jesus turned me around and restored so much in my life. He healed the hurts from my parents, healed the hurts from being bullied, but He never asked me to love school...

Instead, He had me start leading Outreach Teams... into schools!!! Over the last several years, we have been leading outreach teams and ministering in schools around Colombia. Team members share their life stories- all of the good, bad, and the ugly. That means we talk about sex, drugs, suicide, and bullying. Over time, I have come to love schools, even as we speak about healing to so many kids.

You could even say God has used these outreaches to heal me.

And just when I thought God was done with me and schools, at least until the pandemic was over, He threw us a curve ball and asked us to build a school - from scratch! Imagine being part of not just



building one but also helping with the design and planning!

In the city of Chiquinquirá (chee king key ra), there are no Christian schools. With the pandemic, churches around the country had to close their doors when they could no longer pay rent and the only Christian school in the city, the Jesus Christ is King Christian School (JCKC), also had to close.

Our friend, pastor German (Herman), leads the Father's House Church in

Chiquinquirá and the JCKC School with his wife, Maria. Although the church survived after being closed for months, the school housed in a rented facility did not survive. This has left the church with a considerable financial burden making life challenging for German and Maria.

BUT! Just a few months ago, the PAOC approved a loan that will allow us to resurrect the school and build a new church building to help reach the community. Suddenly, the kid who hated school had found himself leading

the effort to build another church, The Father's House, AND A SCHOOL!

Who would have think it?

And the church? As part of the construction, we are going to build an 800-seat Gymnatorium. This structure will be able to have services on Sundays and also hold basketball, indoor soccer, and all kinds of other activities for the school. Plus, we can invite the entire city to play there, hosting banquets or even weddings. So, we can serve the entire community!

Even as we work on this and church building projects in two other cities, our family life continues to move ahead. Our oldest son, James, is living and studying in Waterloo, Ontario, on the way to becoming a commercial pilot! Please pray for him as he continues to learn how to fly, but also for sometimes feeling lonely living so far away from his family. We miss him!

And Darien, well, he is in grade 11 and could use some prayer for getting through... Algebra!!! He also needs prayer for his future. Like many kids his age, Darien is trying to figure out his future. What should he study, where, and when will he study? Should he take a gap year or jump right in? He might apply to the University of Waterloo like his brother, or maybe not.

And Patty, well, she could use some prayer too. This year she is doing a lot of teacher training. She is working with other missionaries, teaching them how to work with struggling learners. Recently, she was in Medellin, Colombia, training some 20 people that are staff at the Youth with a Mission (YWAM) orphanage in the city while also training dozens of Christian workers in Cartagena, Colombia, at a YWAM base.



And me, Darren? Well, pray for peace and guidance. These will be a hectic few months in ministry and at home. Pray for our provision and health.

Finally, thank you! Thank you for loving our family and for praying for us. God listens, and we see the results.

Gratefully, Darren, Patty, James & Darien

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THE PRICE FAMILY

LEARNING LIFE'S LESSONS

Matthew, Amber, Daxon, Zala, Wren and Izelle in Thailand



Some lessons are much harder to learn than other lessons. Some people learn some lessons very quickly, while that same lesson can be really hard for another person to learn. Sometimes things make sense right away, and other times we have to go over it repeatedly before we understand. Some lessons we know what to do, but we do not want to do it because it is difficult, frightening, or takes a long time.

Living in Thailand teaches us so many lessons. Most of these lessons are just like the ones you are learning in Canada. We learn how to be kind, how to be responsible, how to solve challenges, and how to build our friendship with God. Some of our lessons are unique to Thailand, like how to balance on a motorcycle taxi or how to tell if food is too spicy. You are learning lessons that we are not - like how to build a snowman! We're all learning.

As a family, we're practicing a lesson we've been learning for a long time. It's a lesson in gratitude. It's how to be thankful for



what you have and who you are when life is comfortable and full of problems. We always have something to be grateful for. There is more than enough food in the fridge. We have beds to sleep in at night (and even for naps). We go to school and learn new things (this can be hard too, but learning makes us stronger). We are safe, and no one wants to hurt us.

But sometimes, all of those things don't feel like enough. We don't like the food in the fridge. We don't want to go to bed. We don't want to go to school. We forget that we're safe because that feels so normal for us.

We have a lot of friends who live life as refugees. They had to leave their homes - sometimes their home country or culture - because it was dangerous for many different reasons. When we spend time with our friends, we notice that the fridge is not always full, not everyone has their own bed or even a bed at all, the kids cannot go to school, and there is so much worrying because their family is not safe. Yet, our friends still love to play, we laugh together, and our families spend time together. Our friends remind us to be grateful when we see the gratitude they have in their lives.

It's not about feeling better about our life because someone has a more difficult life than ours. That's not the lesson we are sharing with you. The real lesson we're learning is that we can be grateful all of



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the time, not because of what we have or where we are, but because God loves us, knows us, and will never leave us alone. So even when we have lots or little, we have God and are grateful.

Pray with us for our friends who are living as refugees. We pray that God will give them everything they need and remind them that life will not always look like this!

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THE DEWEERD FAMILY

EACH GENERATION PLAYING THEIR PART IN GOD'S KINGDOM

Ryan, Heather, Liberty, and Eddison in the Dominican Republic





To facilitate more parenting classes and offer additional teaching resources to families in our area, we were able to purchase and begin renovations on a facility in the centre city of Nagua. This was an absolute miracle to see happen. Libby and Eddison were right there helping out from the beginning. After demolishing the old walls and clearing out the old yard, we began to prepare part of the building for our ministry and seminary offices. After this was complete, we were able to finish another large area of the Family Centre, which will serve as a multi-use classroom and resource area for the Centre. Our kids helped mop the tile floors after they were complete, and they just loved painting the Centre over their Christmas break.

Serving Jesus and following Him is not just for adults, but a call for children also! Our kids, Liberty and Eddison, had amazing opportunities to serve in our Family and Community Centre ministries over the last few months. For example, at our parenting seminar last year, in the small community of Boba, we saw many parents become equipped through 6 weeks of classes about raising children in a godly way. During these seminars, it was important to provide a place for the children to be so parents could learn. So, during the parents' classes, we ran a children's program with games, Bible lessons, songs, and snacks!

One of the ways Liberty and Eddison loved to get involved was by preparing and handing out the snacks to the kids at the end of the program. At our home, the kids helped us prepare fruit cups and pack them in coolers and then, at the end of each week's program, they helped hand out the snacks to the children in attendance. For the last day, we prepared a special treat of ice cream for the parents and children - everyone loved it! The class was a resounding success, and we had a great team working to coordinate all the details. Liberty and Eddison's role was so significant in the eyes of God!





God passionately loves children! This we know without a doubt. Jesus says in Matthew 14:19, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these." This is why reaching families and parents through programs like parenting classes is vital. Our Family Center will be a beacon of hope and restoration. Because of Jesus' words, we celebrate when children get involved by serving in ministry in simple yet fundamental ways! Not one cup of water given in Jesus' name will go unnoticed. Let's celebrate children, their importance to Jesus, and how they can get involved in ministry and mission!

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Canada as we ride, walk, run, or
skate to help children in crisis.



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ERDO CORNER



SOWPEAP'S
MIRACLE
STORY

We'd like to introduce you to a teenager from Cambodia who has seen God work incredibly in her life. Sowpeap is a seventeen-year-old sponsored child with two sisters. She's been sponsored through [ChildCARE Plus](#), ERDO's child sponsorship program, since 2013, when her favourite thing to do was play with her dolls.

This year Sowpeap became very sick and was told by doctors at two hospitals that she had leukemia, a type of cancer in the blood. After a month of treatment, doctors told her family that there was nothing more they could do. Sowpeap was sent home and expected to die. A week later, she stopped eating and drinking. The family lost all hope. Sowpeap's family started to prepare her body for her death in a traditional way in their culture – Buddhist monks prayed for her, funeral songs were played, and friends and family visited their home.

The ChildCARE Plus team and church family arrived at the funeral and began to pray alongside the Buddhist monks and Sowpeap's family. The team supported the family and spoke kind words all night. No one expected Sowpeap to live through the night.

Miraculously, Sowpeap opened her eyes the following day and asked for a drink of water.



Global Worker, Tiffanie Rowley, called the international hospital to see if there was anything more they could do to help Sowpeap. The hospital agreed to examine her, and when she got to the emergency department, doctors couldn't find any signs of leukemia. Sowpeap was still very sick with severe infections in her heart and brain, but the doctors now knew what they were fighting lupus, a treatable illness. The doctors said Sowpeap wouldn't die, but she could live a very normal and full life.

Sowpeap was taken to the ICU. Her mother and Tiffanie stayed with her, visiting each day. Medical care is costly in Cambodia, and many families cannot afford a doctor's visit. Sowpeap's hospital care and treatment would be expensive, but Tiffanie trusted that the community could work together with friends in Canada to cover the costs. The hospital's director heard Sowpeap's story and agreed to work with them.

After nine days in the hospital, Sowpeap was able to go home. Her family, some members of the church and Tiffanie were



trained to help take care of Sowpeap. At home, Sowpeap has been gaining strength. Members from the church are checking in on her family every day and continuing to support them.

This story is a testimony to the goodness and faithfulness of God. The love Sowpeap's family is receiving from the church has shown everyone in their community the power of Jesus to heal, save and transform. How have you seen Jesus work in your life? What about in your church?

We believe in a God who does miracles! We also believe in the importance of helping others. Like Sowpeap's church, friends and family continue to help her; we have an important role in helping others. This looks different depending on what we're good at and what we can give. What are some ways that you can help where you live?

ERDO helps sick kids who need medical help, like Sowpeap, through our emergency medical fund. This fund covers hospital expenses, surgeries and visits to the doctor when families cannot afford medical care. So if your family is looking for a way to help kids, you can tell them about Sowpeap and the emergency medical fund. To learn more about ERDO, please visit our website at erdo.ca.



MISSION CANADA CORNER



A TEACHING MOMENT TO
SHARE WITH CHILDREN

LET'S HELP . . .

Because we can. Because we must.

By Natalie Rogge

Have you seen another child in your class or perhaps at the playground and wondered if they were new to Canada? What made you think that? Maybe it was because they were playing alone and didn't have friends yet. Or they didn't speak English fluently, or maybe not at all.

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada - our Fellowship of churches across Canada - sponsors refugee families from different parts of the world every year. We do so through an agreement we have with the Canadian government. We help because we care about people everywhere and want to help those who have experienced times of crisis, war or trauma in their lives. So many have been persecuted for their faith in Jesus. So, we reach out in love to sponsor families to come to Canada where they can start a new life in a peaceful location, away from war, devastation, and the troublesome times they experienced back home.

Our local churches sponsor individuals and families who have had to flee their homeland and find a temporary place of safety in another country. The unfortunate part is that when they flee, they often don't even have time to pack up any belongings to take with them. They need to leave quickly ... really quickly! For some people, their homes have been bombed. For others, their lives have been threatened. For all who are considered "refugees" they cannot return to their homeland for fear of further torture or even death. And when they flee, they cannot work, go to school, or receive adequate health care in the country they have fled to. This is because they are not citizens in that country - they are only there temporarily, seeking a safe place of refuge until they can find a country that will receive them as "sponsored" refugees. Life in those temporary places is very hard. Often food is scarce. The entire family is together in one or two rooms, eating, sleeping, and living in the same space.

As the PAOC, we have the privilege of helping refugee families by bringing them to Canada through Canada's "Private Sponsorship of Refugees" (PSR) program. Through volunteers in a local PAOC church, we form a resettlement team who will care for and provide necessities to help a family resettle within Canada once the government approves for them to do so. The church makes a 12-month commitment to do everything they can to help the family - from giving them a place to live when they arrive, to helping them find a permanent place to live, to signing children up for school, finding doctors and dentists, welcoming them into a church family, and helping them understand the English language. Those on the church resettlement team take the family to the grocery store to help them become familiar with buying groceries in Canada. PAOC churches help newcomer families understand their financial responsibility in the new country so they can pay rent, buy food, take public transportation, make purchases for things like school supplies or toiletries, and all the other necessities of life.

Helping refugees is such a wonderful and rewarding experience. Of course, we get to make new friends, but we also share God's love with others in practical ways as we open our hearts and homes to welcome them. For some who do not come from a place of Christian faith, we have the opportunity to invite them to church, give them a Bible, and pray and trust God together. And for some, we get to introduce them to Jesus!

The PAOC has been doing refugee resettlement work for almost 20 years. Our churches have sponsored well over 800 individuals since we began, and many of those sponsored have been children. This past year, we welcomed the arrival of six Afghani orphaned children – the Taliban had killed their father, and sadly, their mother died before they received the final approval to come to Canada. It was a very exciting day just before Christmas 2021 when they finally arrived in Ontario! Our refugee families come from countries like Ethiopia, Eritrea, Congo, Uganda, Greece, Syria, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, and other parts of the globe. Their stories are private and must remain so. The details are often horrific.

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In August 2021, a great conflict arose in Afghanistan – a war. People were desperate to escape their homeland that was being overtaken by enemy forces. You may have even seen pictures on the news of people running for their lives, trying to get onto planes. We are working hard to sponsor Afghan families affected by the war. Several sponsored families presently live in a refugee camp in other countries – it is a very rough place for families. They need God’s protection and His favour to approve their applications quickly. These people have been tortured and persecuted for their faith. Some are pastors of churches – not known churches like you, and I would attend here in Canada, but “underground” churches where nobody really knows who the believers are or where they meet. So, they must quietly live their Christian faith for fear of being beaten, arrested, or killed. But they love Jesus and are committed to living for Him.

Will you pray with us for these families? Pray that their hope and faith remain strong. Pray for protection.

Would you consider raising money to help families resettle in Canada?

Lemonade stands and yard sales are great summertime ways to raise money to support the PAOC’s work in refugee resettlement.

Would you as a church consider getting involved in sponsoring a refugee family?

Why? Because we can show God’s love to those in need and help them in and through their difficult times. Because the opportunity is before us right now to welcome children and families into our community, our schools, and our church family.

Why? Because we can, and because we must.

You can donate at: <https://paoc.org/donate/canada-refugee-sponsorship-opportunity>

To find out more or get your church involved, email us at missioncanada@paoc.org.

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LUKE 18:16 (NIV)

