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My dear friends,

Greetings to you all. I hope you are safe and well. Praise God for the good news about the vaccination programmes. We all know that at the end of the day every individual is responsible for his or her own safety, so as to create a safer environment for others.



excited to be reunited with teachers and classmates. The long gap has taught them to appreciate things the school provides, as none of them have such a good learning environment in their humble homes. Our children are introduced to computer technology and the world beyond their village. We are grateful to all our multi-talented staff who have demonstrated their ability to adjust to new challenges and have done a good job in training the students. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and financial support for the work of CHRD. As mentioned earlier, due to lockdown our school was closed for onsite learning but thank God for the staff who have excelled in providing an online opportunity for all children to carry on with their daily lessons. We have been informed that schools are now allowed to re-open for year 5 upwards, following all protocols. The children are



Along with education, training and caring for the needy, prayer has become a big part of their lives and they turn to God in all eventualities. We know they do not have enough money to support themselves, but they trust Jesus and they pray for those who give generously and graciously to CRHD.



The tailoring centre has survived the last 12 months and re-opened after a long gap, which was no doubt frustrating for Mrs Daniel and the girls. It is good to know how much they missed their friends, sharing news, praying together and also enhancing their skills. We are pleased to hear that their families are happy for them to go to the tailoring centre so that they can become financially independent and help their families during difficult times.

When I look at those little innocent children who are studying in the Kids Paradise School in the village, I remember my own childhood and how the missionary teachers helped me to not only gain an education, but also to discover Jesus as my Saviour. Like us, our children have not

seen Jesus, but they believe that we are the instrument through whom Jesus cares for them. It is no wonder that all those who have visited the school have witnessed and experienced the students' priceless smiles. The school is a real little paradise in the village for them: they are safe from harm and grow in knowledge and fellowship.

Every year, the school has witnessed how these children, coming from very humble backgrounds, have blossomed and flourished making the staff and their parents proud. They too spread the love and care they have experienced as they prepare to move into secondary schools. It is always painful and difficult to say goodbye when the pupils move on, but we hear reports of how well they do in secondary school and beyond.



For various reasons, all NGO's in India, in order to receive foreign contributions have been required to open new accounts in one centralised bank in Delhi. This was very challenging. I am very grateful to Peter, our secretary and to Eric, our treasurer, for their timely visit to the local branch, otherwise it would have been very difficult for the future of our whole project. We have a good team in India: Ravi as secretary who looks after the whole project, and Abel as treasurer. Together they have managed to accomplish the task of opening the new account for which we really thank God.

We are grateful to those who have given extra money over the last few months to help the needy people. I am informed that a few more struggling people have been supported during this challenging time. The Indian trustees are grateful for the extra financial support we extended while the school was closed.



Please pray for -

- 1. The city of Raichur and the school in the village as they are experiencing the third wave of Covid 19.
- 2. For the protection of the staff and children.
- 3. Our project's future.
- 4. The tailoring centre, that it may continue to grow.
- 5. Growth and direction for the sewing project in Raichur.
- 6. For continued UK financial support for the project.
- 7. For CRHD friends who generously and prayerfully support the project.

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