

Your Impact Through the Unsponsored Children Fund





Your impact this financial year

On average it takes four months for a child to be connected with a sponsor. But for many children, that is four months too long. Local churches see the need in their neighbourhoods and need the flexibility to act quickly, registering children into the Compassion program so they can receive vital support without waiting for a sponsor.

**Yet you didn't look away from your neighbours.
You moved with compassion—and this is what changed.**

Funded through Compassion globally

311,566

children were able to eat, play
and learn while they waited to be
connected with a sponsor.

Your compassion in action

Hear from your neighbours how your compassion has brought hope to their lives over the years.



Nawkaybu's story, Thailand

Nawkaybu is a shy nine-year-old who lives in a small bamboo home in Thailand. She loves her family of six but, some days, she finds it hard to smile. In her village, life can be unstable, and her parents are always on high alert because of civil unrest. Because of poverty, her dream of becoming a nurse has often felt out of reach.

When the first Compassion project opened in 2018, the lives of many local children changed for the better. One step at a time, children in this community are growing and dreaming in ways they'd never been able to before. This is only possible through the work of the local church combined with your move of compassion.

Although Nawkaybu doesn't have a sponsor yet, thanks to the Un-sponsored Children Fund, she is given education, food and community—just like her friends who have been sponsored.

"If a child had to wait until they were sponsored to receive support, that would reduce our opportunity to help," says Maneerut, a local staff member from Nawkaybu's Compassion project. "It is impossible for us to leave it that way. Whether they are sponsored or not, we will always welcome every child."



Tatu's story, Indonesia

"I hope Tatu can get what his siblings could not have," says Wayan, Tatu's mother.

In the rural village of Munduk, Indonesia, most children grow up working in the fields—just like their parents and grandparents before them.

Tatu's older siblings never had the opportunity to continue their education. Instead, they followed the same path, working as labourers to help their family get by.

But for four-year-old Tatu, the future looks different. Even without a sponsor, Tatu is receiving food, medical care and education thanks to the Un-sponsored Children fund.



Dariné's story, Dominican Republic

Eight-year-old Dariné is the seventh of ten children. He loves going to his Compassion centre to eat, learn, play with his friends and spend time with his teacher. When Dariné's sponsor unfortunately needed to stop their support, his experience at his local church didn't have to change.

Thanks to the Un-sponsored Children Fund, Dariné didn't lose the care and support he had come to depend on. He continued receiving nutritious food, education, medical care and the encouragement of caring staff, just like his friends.

Then, months later, heavy rains caused a wall of his family's home to collapse, putting them at risk. The centre stepped in, helping restore the bathroom and making the home safe again.

"There is no difference between sponsored and unsponsored children," says Isabel, the centre director. "They receive snacks, school and Christmas gifts, medical care and everything else they might need."

While Dariné waited for a new sponsor, he knew he wasn't waiting alone.



Thank you

In Luke 15:4, Jesus says, “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?”

Jesus has a heart for every child. Your gift has reflected Jesus’ heart, ensuring children without a sponsor can still receive care and urgent support from their local church.

Thank you for moving with compassion by giving to the Un-sponsored Children fund. To learn more about the fund, visit www.compassion.com.au/donate/un-sponsored-children-fund



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