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 Australia

12,922

unsponsored children continued to receive care from their loving local church for four months.

Funded through Compassion globally

343,755+

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.



Melvin and Katherin joined the Compassion program

Katherin, 3, and Melvin, 4, were registered into their local child development centre in Carcha, Guatemala and are receiving loving support before they are connected with a sponsor!

Katherin's mother Irma shares, "I feel happy and excited because I've heard they learn the Word of God there, how to sing and their Bible texts. That's what I want for my daughter, that when she grows up, she'll be part of the church."

Melvin's mother Zoila says, "I feel very happy that my son was taken into account because I want him to be a successful person and prosper in his life by learning about God, learning to sing and having fun with other children."



Say Wah is finding security in a new village

12-year-old Say Wah was forced to flee his home due to war. During an uncertain time, staff at Say Wah's local church in Thailand have been supporting him as he grieves the home he left and settles into a new village.

"Our house was made of bamboo with a roof of dried leaves, and it was always cool even when it was baking outside. I used to play with my friends under the house, but now all that's gone, and I miss them.

"I love music, especially worship songs. I hear and sing them often. I want to be a singer when I grow up, and the centre staff gave me a guitar so I can learn and practise songs."



April has the same opportunities as sponsored children

In Indonesia, April has not had a sponsor for over 18 months. But through the Unsponsored Children fund, she receives the same support from her local church—food packs, school uniforms, and even special birthday gifts!

"What I love about the centre is that I can meet a lot of friends there," April says.

Centre Director Jerimia shares, "The unsponsored children often don't notice if they are unsponsored because we never separate them from one another, ever."

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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 Unsponsored Children fund. To learn more about the fund, visit www.compassion.com.au/donate/unsponsored-children-fund



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