

Your Impact Through Education and Training





Your global impact this financial year

One third of the world's youth do not attend secondary school. Children and youth living in poverty often have to make tough choices to help their families survive, which puts their education at risk. When youth cannot pursue further education, they are forced to accept lower paying jobs, continuing the cycle of poverty in their families.

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

Funded through Compassion globally

4,131

children are no longer worrying about how they will cover their school fees.

3,240

children are now on the path to a better future by attending university or college.

14,702

children are participating in vocational training, building skills to break the cycle of poverty.

92

church-run development centres now have computer labs to give children access to digital tools and enrich their learning.

399

local churches were equipped with classroom resources or materials, benefitting the **94,270** children they regularly teach.

Your compassion in action

Hear from your neighbours how your compassion has brought opportunity to their lives.



Jorge is now reading and writing

In Guatemala, Jorge could not attend school because of his separation anxiety disorder. His local church connected Jorge with a psychologist to overcome his anxiety, but by then he was 11 and no schools would accept him. Through Education and Training, our local partner was able to create an educational support centre where children like Jorge are now thriving!

Jorge says, "I thought attending school didn't matter. Working in the field with my dad was enough. When I entered the educational support centre, I knew nothing, not even the vowels. Thanks to Sister Marivel, I now understand the date when looking at the calendar and what my Bible says. It's a beautiful thing, knowing how to read."



Dhivan is now working in a hotel

Because he was a slow learner with special needs, no school in the area was willing to enrol Dhivan—but his local Compassion centre in Sri Lanka was. As he grew, staff patiently helped Dhivan learn. When his mother tragically passed away, staff knew they had to do more to support Dhivan and looked for vocational training opportunities. Dhivan successfully undertook a course to be a room attendant, and now at 21 years old, he has secured a job in a hotel!

"I wash the dishes, clean the tables, arrange the rooms at the hotel," Dhivan explains.

Tutor Priyadarshani shares, "His mother was so happy when we took time to help Dhivan. When she saw him writing his own name she was filled with joy. I am glad she got to see that."



Yamikani is now a trained plumber

Life has not been kind to 17-year-old Yamikani. From a young age, he had to look after himself. Seeing his situation, his local church enrolled him in a training program to become a plumber, changing the trajectory of his life.

"I was just living—no purpose, no vision or dream, just waiting for the day I would die. Hearing about the program was like a flashlight chasing away the dark side of my life. For the first time, I felt my life was worth living. I imagined I was a man with a future to look forward to.

"Before this, all I could pray for was food. Then, I thought God never cared about me. I now believe that He is always keeping the best things for us. Now I pray for Him to sustain me so that I can fulfil the big dreams ahead of me."



Thank you

Education opens opportunities for children and youth, helping them see beyond their current barriers to a better future. Because of your gift, young people are now freely pursuing their dreams and gaining the knowledge they need to transform their lives.

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