

## **2019 ANNUAL REPORT**





# FROM THE DESK OF THE FOUNDER

### **One Child at a Time's Mission**

Our Mission is to eliminate modern slavery one person at a time. We work to prevent human trafficking through education, rescue trafficked individuals through intervention, and restore human dignity through affirmation.

Greetings Dear Family, Friends, and Supporters,

We have had an amazing first full year of preventing Human Trafficking in our community through education! It's hard to believe that in one year we have educated over 5000 children in the Pee Dee region! We have had the honor, privilege and given the right to educate in schools, churches, and civic organizations throughout our community this year! I am so proud to call our community my home. The amount of support that this organization has been given is overwhelming. Human Trafficking has been in the dark for so long that only by acknowledging it, confirming that it exists has brought it to light. And this has been done by YOU!

#### "When The Community Get's Involved Trafficking Is Reduced!"

I have often been asked "why I do this?" I have only one answer, God. The Lord put it into my heart and into my life about three years ago when He sent me to India. Once there, I got to work and share the gospel with prostitutes and their children in the district of Navi Mumbai-based in Turbhe Red Light slum. I was able to see victims of human trafficking living in bondage, some as young as 8 years old. This nearly broke me. I was crushed in spirit, outraged, and frustrated. I watched as a man took a child by the hand into a brothel to violate her and I could do nothing. Helpless, I could not save her from the man or this place of evil influence. However, not Hopeless. I got an epiphany that I wasn't there to save anyone but I was there to be used by God so that He could. On the plane ride home I prayed and asked God how can I prevent just "One" child from enduring this kind of evil? Six months later "One Child at a Time" was founded. January 18, 2018 to be exact. I would get

another opportunity to learn more about Human Trafficking a month later in Phnom Penh Cambodia in the Red light district. Here is the moment God revealed His plan for my life and for One Child at a Time. There in Cambodia I learned that it is easier to prevent human trafficking through education than it is to rescue! God is Faithful! Thank you for your love, prayers, and support! **Together we can eradicate this evil from our community!** 

In His grace, Glenda Skipper Founder & CEO





#### **Education**

One Child at a Time has been given the opportunity to speak the truth of what local human trafficking looks like to many schools this year.

We have educated in the following Schools here in the Pee Dee Region:

- 1. Lake City High School (late 2018)
- 2. Darlington County Intervention School (late 2018)
- 3. SouthSide Middle School
- 4. Sneed Middle School
- 5. Timmonsville Middle / High school
- 6. Hartsville High School
- 7. The King's Academy Middle School / High School
- 8. Coker College (in several classes, several times this year)

We educate students on why human trafficking occurs, how it occurs, and what a victim looks like. We also educate the students on what a predator looks like and what the indicators of human trafficking are. We teach them behavioral indicators and physical indicators so they can look out for each other. Our education for them also includes how to be safe online but most importantly we teach them how to prevent human trafficking from happening to them! We supply each student with The "National Human Trafficking Hotline" number and a sense of empowerment with the knowledge they gain.







### "It is easier to educate our children than it is to rescue them."



### **Community Outreach**

One Child at a Time has been given the opportunity to speak about local human trafficking and how it is affecting our community to many civic organizations this year.

The civic organizations One Child at a Time has guest lectured at are:

- 1. MOPS
- 2. Lake City Rotary
- 3. Cheraw Rotary Club
- 4. Hartsville Rotary Club
- 5. Pilot Club of Hartsville
- 6. Anchor Club District meeting.
- 7. Girls Club of Hartsville
- 8. Timmonsville Community Center
- 9. Girls Symposium Barnes Street Activity Center
- 10. Darlington County First Responders
- 11. Darlington County Local Emergency Planning Committee
- 12. Florence County Sheriffs Office
- 13. SC Transportation Quarterly Safety Meeting
- 14. Radio Free Florence 92.5 FM
- 15. Preceptor Chapter MU Beta Sigma Phi





It has been a great honor to guest speak at each one of these civic organizations this year on Human Trafficking Awareness and how it's impacting our children in our State. We all have the same goal in mind and that is a better, safer community to live in.



### **Partnerships with Places of Worship**

During this past year, One Child at a Time had the pleasure of partnering with many churches in our community, to speak on the dangers of human trafficking. Our calendar is filling up fast for talks with new church partners for 2020.

One Child at a Time has been invited to present to:

- 1. Black Creek Baptist Church In Darlington (late 2018).
- 2. Cornerstone Baptist Church in Darlington (late 2018).
- 3. Calvary Baptist Church in Florence
- 4. WelshNeck Baptist Association in Darlington (Pastoral meeting)
- 5. Darlington Raceway Ministries



We are honored to have partnered with the Church to seek out the vulnerable and educate all on the dangers of human trafficking and how it is affecting our youth.

#### Matthew 16:18



#### One Child at a Time Yearly Campaigns Rehab's Risk

One Child At A Time, beginning Nov. 2018, started their Rahab's Risk Campaign. It is mirrored in the story of Rahab. Rahab was a prostitute in the Bible that is remembered as one of God's faithful servants (Heb 11:31). She found a new identity with God's people. (Mt. 1:5) That's what I want to share with the women in Florence and in the surrounding Pee Dee area who are trapped in the life of prostitution...that there is Hope. Most of the women are forced to work the local motels, rest areas, and truck stops. They do not have money for the basic necessities because their "boyfriend / trafficker" takes all of the money they make. This small gift that "One" can pass out will show them that they are loved, there is hope, and they are worthy. Many Churches throughout our area donated supplies to put together these care packages for the women. This year we were blessed with the partnership of many local Women's Ministry groups and Journey Groups from the Florence / Darlington area churches. A special thanks to Calvary Baptist Student Ministry of Florence who donated supplies and put together our packages to give to the women in need.

By serving together as a community we were able to hand out over 400 gift bags of basic necessities to not only those being sexually exploited but to rape victims, homeless shelters, drug rehabs facilities, and women incarcerated throughout the Pee Dee region.







#### **One Child at a Time International Partnerships**

We are excited to announce that we have officially partnered with Rays Of Hope. This organization is a holistic indigenous mission that was created in 2002. They are located in Mumbai India in the Turbhe Red Light Slums. They provide care to more than 120 children daily. Their focus is on the next generation. A rescue program is being established through the development of The "City Of Hope." This is a community that will also cater to orphans, widows, destitute and terminally ill people. The City Of Hope will provide holistic development to all its residents under one roof. It is so wonderful to see God bring us full circle in His plans for our lives. We ask that you pray for both ministries as we strive together to bring Hope to the Hopeless.











### **One Child at a Time's Annual Fundraiser**

#### **Businesses Backing our Kids**

One Child at a Time partnered with Dr. Lesley Kirby of Lifetime Hearing of Florence to host the first annual Silent Auction to raise funds for all the projects and lectures that One Child at a Time participated in this year. We had over 30 small businesses in our community who generously donated items for our Silent auction. We also want to thank Victors for hosting our event along with our amazing emcee Kevin Smith from Radio Free Florence 92.5 FM.





STATE FARM- RICHARD SKIPPER	ON THE GO AUTO DETAILING	LIFETIME HEARING
SWEETLEIGH'S CAKES AND TREATS	WELSH NECK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION	JEBAILY PROPERTIES
FORUM SPA	TOP HAT SPECIAL-TEAS INC	RAINES HOSPITALITY
SALTY'S SURF SHOP	TEXAS ROADHOUSE	A&B FLORIST & GREENERY
FOREST LAKE GREENHOUSES	RADIO FREE FLORENCE	CHICK-FIL-A
RIVER RAT'S	FREEMAN'S BAKERY	THE STUDIO
MEMORIES BY LEXI	FIRST RELIANCE BANK	VIP MAGAZINE
VICTOR'S BISTRO	THE SAVVY MAG	SYNERGY PAIN RELIEF GROUP
C&A MORTGAGE	JIFFY LUBE	BIONIC
	VENABLES	

#### AND A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS! We could not do this without you!



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