

Church of the American Ceylon Mission, Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka

Christmas 2024

Dear Board, Ex Committee & friends St John's United Church of Christ,

As 2024 draws to a close and the promise of 2025 unfolds, we take a moment to reflect on the year gone by. We are deeply grateful to God for His guidance and provision, and we thank Him for people like you who have played such a pivotal role in enabling us to carry out our mission.

We thank you, and thank God for you, for your invaluable partnership in our mission. Your support has been crucial in enabling us in caring for the children at our Herman's Girls' Home, which houses 23 young girls, and St. John's Boys' Home, which supports 18 boys. As you may know, the children in these homes come from very challenging backgrounds, including separated families, abuse, juvenile detention, probation orders, and extreme poverty. Our ability to serve this vulnerable group has been made possible because of your generosity, and we are deeply grateful.

As we move into 2025, we seek your continued support. Specifically, we hope to make additional improvements to the boys' and girls' homes. Beyond replacing worn-out mosquito nets, bedding, shoes, and other essentials, we would like to enhance the facilities by providing indoor and outdoor play equipment, more furniture, a dedicated sick room, a library stocked with storybooks and periodicals (with a special focus on healthcare resources for girls), These improvements will allow us to focus on engaging the children in productive and positive initiatives.

We kindly ask you to consider supporting us in meeting these needs, alongside your continued support for both homes. Full details of our specific needs will be provided early in the new year.

We wish you the best of this season and continued success and blessings in the year ahead. Warm regards,

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