

## You Made a Difference

I often hear comments about whether mission trips are worth the expense. Wouldn't it be better to just send money? It depends. First, if you participate in a mission trip for the wrong reasons, the answer to the question the posed is - yes! In Haiti, in the aftermath of the earthquake, one of the translators made a profession of faith. I'm sure the translator thought mission trips are worth the expense.

During January, 2011 a group of "Grovers" from Grove City College made a very expensive mission trip to India. It was a special trip which opened our eyes to the Lord's work in other parts of the world. The Children's Home of Bhogpur (CHB) ministers to the children of lepers. They feed, house, educate and love these children. From the start our group felt a special connection. I've visited several children's homes in various parts of the world. The CHB is different. Their lives are centered around their Christian world view. They live it, they sing it! Subhash, CHB's Director, said 95% of the children profess Christ by their senior year. They want to be baptized, not an easy task in India due to the overwhelming Hindu influence.

This spring we launched a fund raising campaign to help the high school graduates in their next phase of life. College education is only a dream for a poor child in India. Our campaign hoped to raise \$30,000 which would provide the needed funds for higher education. It is the ticket for these graduates

out of life in a leper colony. Thanks to many generous people, we have raised over \$38,000 for the "Higher Education Fund." We also heard of \$4000 directly sent to the Mission to the World account making a grand total of over \$42,000. The Children's Home of Bhogpur will use the money to establish a fund for students to borrow tuition at little or no interest. The plan is to have the fund become self supporting and available to future generations. This sounds like good stewardship of the Lord's money. Please look at each of the graduates pictured here. Pray for them by name. Thank you all for your financial contributions, prayers, and generosity. For more information on the Children's Home of Bhogpur and how you can get more involved, go to

<http://home4children.com/index.htm>



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