

Rescue. Restore. Release.



"And He took the children in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them." Mark 10:16

May 1, 2015

Children of Promise has always been about quality care. We want to make sure that the sponsored children are receiving the most they can from the donations you give. We have over 1,000 volunteers who work hard to stretch every dollar. However, rising food, education, and health care costs over the last ten years have resulted in it becoming more and more difficult to provide the same care for the same sponsorship prices of \$25, \$30, and \$40 per month.

Therefore, the Children of Promise Board of Directors announces changes in the monthly sponsorship amounts. As of August 1, 2015, the new monthly amounts for the children's care will be as follows:

Present \$25 (since 2005) sponsorships will move to \$32.

Present \$30 (since 1993) sponsorships will move to \$38.

Present \$40 (since 2010) sponsorships will move to \$50.

We have been blessed to be able to keep most of the sponsorship fees the same for the past ten years. Even with the new monthly sponsorship amounts, we will still be below the amounts charged by similar organizations.

The Board of Directors has prayerfully reviewed detailed information from the directors of our programs regarding the costs of benefits for nutrition, education, and health care. They have also studied the sponsorship rates of other similar programs. (See the reverse side for more detailed information.)

Currently, out of \$25 a child receives benefits of \$21.25. From the proceeds of a child sponsored for \$32 per month, the child now will receive benefits of \$25.60. This includes an administrative cost of 20%, as also directed by **the Board of Directors due to rising costs in operations.** This is the first change from 15% since 1992. We will still be raising the monthly amounts significantly for the children.

Children of Promise has the most wonderful sponsors. When a rate change was necessary for most sponsorships ten years ago, our sponsors responded enthusiastically. Thank you for loving and caring for the children you sponsor. If the new rates present a hardship to you, why not ask a friend to join you in the sponsorship or ask us how you might be able to support Children of Promise in other ways?

We hope and pray that all our sponsors will be at the new rates by February 1, 2016. Please join us in continuing to provide for the children well.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of the following staff members:

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God bless you and keep you, as He does 4,652 children in 27 countries every day. Thank you for the important part you play in God's provision for your child(ren).

Grace, peace, and blessing

Paul L. Maxfield

Dr. Paul Maxfield, Executive Director
 On behalf of 4,652 Sponsored Children

A Word About Administrative Costs:

Administrative costs are part of the ministry and are necessary. For example, your congregation probably has many wonderful ministries that happen because your giving provides for things like insurance, utilities, printing, record-keeping, building maintenance, and staff. Without those costs there is no ministry. The same is true for Children of Promise.

Administration expenses are the part of the cost that makes it all happen. Without it, the children could not be helped.

We work hard to be good stewards of the support you give.

Thank you for providing for the costs of ministry so that children can be rescued, restored, and released.



*A higher standard.
 A higher purpose.*

The price changes are true across the globe. Here are some samples of cost changes between 2005 and 2015 as reported by some of our directors, based on purchased records:

PERCENTAGE INCREASES 2005-2015

FOOD:

Ecuador	200%
The Philippines	40%
Nepal	200%
Myanmar (Burma)	678%
India	300%
Peru	25%

EDUCATION:

Paraguay	70%
Russia	100%
Tanzania	200%
Nepal	150%
Myanmar	200%
Colombia	100%
Argentina (since 2012)	45%
Lebanon	100%

HEALTH CARE

Lebanon	100%
Paraguay	40%
Nepal	140%
Myanmar	166%
Argentina (since 2012)	25%
Russia	100%

Sponsorship Program	Monthly Rate	Amount from Monthly Sponsorships Used for Administration
Compassion International	\$38.00	\$7.60
World Vision	\$35.00	\$6.09
World Hope (Wesleyan)	\$40.00	\$8.00
Horizon International	\$35.00	\$7.00
Christ's Hope International	\$38.00	\$7.60
Children of Promise	\$32.00	\$6.40

Children of Promise is **not** funded by Church of God Ministries.
 95% of Children of Promise sponsorships will be at the \$32 level.