

Support children's homes in South India. Donate now!

With its children's homes, the Church of South India is systematically advocating better living conditions for boys and girls who need help.

The EMS supports several children's homes, which are run by the Church of South India (CSI). Some of the children housed in the homes are orphans, others come from broken homes. The CSI institutions offer children a temporary home, school education, medical care, and psychological support. Particular emphasis is placed on the promotion of girls.

Poverty, child labour, lack of education

India is home to almost 350 million children under the age of 15. Roughly 164 million of them are girls. Despite some progress over the past few decades, many Indian children live an existence of hardship and deprivation. They live with their families in the slums around such mega cities as Mumbai and Delhi, or in poor rural regions. And even now, male offspring are preferred to female in Indian society: when a family finds

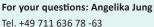
itself in financial difficulty, it is the girls who are not allowed to go to school first. They have to help at home, work in the fields, or break stones in quarries for just a few rupees.

Creating new opportunities

Together with the respective CSI diocese, the EMS is responsible for seven homes and two vocational training centres. The main concern of these establishments is to allow their protégés access to a good education and to open opportunities for a successful life. The timetable also includes the teaching of social skills: through daily interaction and spending everyday life together, the girls and boys learn how to assume responsibility for a peaceful cohabitation.

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