

Reflection



Operation Smile Home For Children

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*Children are a Gift
from God!
Psalm 127:3*



Thirty years ago, a little before I was married, driving from church on my motorcycle, God brought to my attention a cold, hungry little boy on the street. He was begging passers by for money, no doubt in order to purchase something to eat. God filled my heart with compassion for this child who couldn't have been more than eight years old at the time.

Acknowledging the urging from God, I took the little boy home with me on my motorcycle and ministered to his needs. Thus began the vision.

After Chandra and I got married, we constantly took into our home the abused and abandoned street children. In 1997, a precious couple from the U.S.A. purchase ten acres of sprawling lands and graciously donated it to us for the sole purpose of building a Home for Children.

After much diligent and laborious undertaking, we had the joyful privilege of dedicating a beautiful edifice on the 21st April 2001 and on the 29th April 2006 we moved into four units (houses), with facilities to house forty precious children. HALLELUJAH!

Our objectives are:

1. To provide food, shelter, clothing both academic and spiritual education, extra-curricular activities, medical aid, love and caring for the abandoned, abused, neglected and otherwise disadvantaged children of our society irregardless of race, colour, creed, class or religion.
2. To rehabilitate, re-ignite and nurture the aims and aspirations of each child in a family type atmosphere where it is possible to achieve his or her fullest God given potential in whatever field of endeavor they may choose.

The Operation Smile Home for Children is strategically geared towards the future, with the hope and prayer of producing future state and other leaders in all spheres of national life, whether it is academics, sports, pastorate or politics. Our picturesque setting and quiet, countryside environment lends itself to the fostering of development of the arts and spiritually, the bedrock of morally upright citizens.

It is our prayer therefore that God would minister to your hearts so that together we can make a significant difference to the lives of our nation's children.

Madho Basdeo
Pastor Madho Basdeo
Founder & Director

Projects

1. Currently we are building a unit to house only babies (ages two years and under).



2. Completion of the roads



3. Completion of the recreation ground, below is a proposed plan;



Fund Raisers

1. Bar - B - Que



2. Concerts & Cruises on the Treasure Queen





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Operation Smile Home for Children Overview

Registered Name: Operation Smile Home for Children

Registered Company No.: The Home was registered as a non-profit organization (NGO) with the registration number 0-410 (95)

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About us

Operation Smile was a dream that was birthed over thirty (30) years ago, and which came to reality in 2001. The objective of the Home is to provide food, shelter, clothing, education, extra-curricular activities, medical aid, love and caring environment. Over the past few years, we received an influx of abandoned, abused, and neglected children to our Home and as a result, there was a need for expansion. By 2004, we began the construction of four additional units, from kind donations and contributions. Today we have thirty-nine (23 boys & 17 girls) children, drawn from various social circumstances.

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Over the years, we have been continually working to make Operation Smile a place that can serve as a beacon of hope to children that were once called "disposable ones" in our society. We have seen great changes not only in the physical and filial aspects of these children's lives, but also the mental, emotional, and spiritual. In addition to this, we have taken steps to make Operation Smile as self-sustained as possible so as to ensure its continued existence and success, and to complement the indelible contributors that so graciously invest their time and money into the lives of our children.