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Hope Abides Announces Headliner for October 2015 Fundraiser Events

Indian American comedian Dan Nainan will headline our 5th Annual Fundraiser event in **Sacramento Saturday October 3rd**. Dan has performed for Barak Obama, Hillary Clinton, Steve Jobs and has toured all over the world. This event will take place at the Sacramento Waldorf School in Fair Oaks, California. Tickets on sale soon.

DAN NAINAN



Dan will also headline our first ever event in **Seattle on Friday October 2 at the Benaroya Hall (Seattle Symphony)**.

Tickets now on sale [here](#). \$25 general admission and \$20 for students.

Dan's routine is family friendly and is guaranteed to be an enjoyable evening for all. Learn more about Dan at his [website](#).

(con't from right) We had the chance to meet with several of the children sponsored by Hope Abides supporters, share a meal with the children and tour their new campus being constructed in a rural area about an hour away. The new location will be set up as a village concept with a variety of buildings including several dorms and a visitor quarters. As of the time of our visit the boundary wall was up, and ground was broken on the first dorm. The Executive Director, Srivyal Vuyyuri, is doing great work and we are happy to be able to help.



Spchoorti kids on a recent field trip

Our final leg was the return trip to Mumbai for an overnight stay and a quick visit to a potential new partner - Sakhi for Girls Education. Sakhi is run by Aarti Naik who tutors about 50 girls in the slum area of Muland Mumbai. As a young girl, Aarti was discouraged from getting an education. However she persevered and eventually earned a college degree. She now tutors slum girls after school so that they have a better chance of becoming a success. We are awaiting completion of legal registration between Sakhi and the Indian government and then will be able to help her expand her facilities and assist in other ways.

As always our visit with the kids and the orphanage leaders, as well as the country in general, was everything we hoped it would be. We are already looking forward to our next visit.



Walk or Run
5K/10K /
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or Yoga
Baylands Park
Sunnyvale, CA
July 12, 2015

Support Hope Abides - [Register](#) now.

Donate to Hope Abides [here](#)

Hope Abides is a U.S. based multi-faith organization whose mission is to provide help and hope to orphaned and destitute children in India. We help children regardless of their gender, caste or religious background and seek participation from all.



Support Hope Abides Buy Mariners Tickets

We have several tickets for Friday, July 24 against the Blue Jays.

The Mariners celebrate a Family night with fireworks and more. Only \$27 each or 4 for \$100.

Click [here](#) to purchase.

2014 Trip to India (pt 3) by Brent Adams, President

This is the third and final recap of our one month visit in India from October 24, 2014 through November 19, 2014.

After spending a single night in Tamil Nadu we were back on the road for the 8 hour trip to Thrissur, Kerala where we joined Father Joy Vattoly. Father Joy took us to several orphanages and an assembly plant which provides jobs to poor and single mothers. At these locations our friend and colleague Shana Nunez distributed and provided training for clean water filters donated by For One Another Foundation. At the end of this long day we drove to the city of Cochin and the next morning (November 9) flew to Andhra Pradesh to spend a few days at Mission for the Rural People (MRP).

MRP houses about 120 children in addition to 30 more at Moparru Children's Home which is affiliated with them. Pastor Ratnam and his wife Sunita somehow manage to provide a family environment for all the kids. The children gave us an exceptionally warm welcome and we thoroughly enjoyed our four days there. We had the chance to visit several surrounding villages and see how much is needed to help alleviate grinding poverty and to supply such basic needs as clean drinking water. We also toured the school across the street that is just finishing construction. The school is due to the efforts of Pastor Ratnam and NGO Affecting Real Change. It will provide a quality education to area children who cannot currently afford one.



Two of the great kids at MRP

Our last night we had the chance to be present as a Sadhu (Hindu monk) dropped off his son to be cared for by the orphanage. As a Sadhu he continually travels from place to place, depending on the generosity of others to survive. He had come to the conclusion he could no longer adequately care for the boy and so, on the recommendation of some local villagers, entrusted him to MRP. Being an American, this event was so different than anything I have encountered, I am still not sure how to process it. I can say that the boy was welcomed by several of the other children and enjoyed his first dinner at the orphanage. After departing MRP the morning of November 14 we boarded a train for an 7 hour train trip to Hyderabad.

Hyderabad is home to one of our best practice partners - Spchoorti Foundation. As a best practice partner they demonstrate what a well run Indian orphanage can accomplish. They care for approximately 200 children and focus strongly on quality education for the kids. (con't left above).

Late note - None of our kids or orphanages were affected by the earthquake in nearby Nepal.

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