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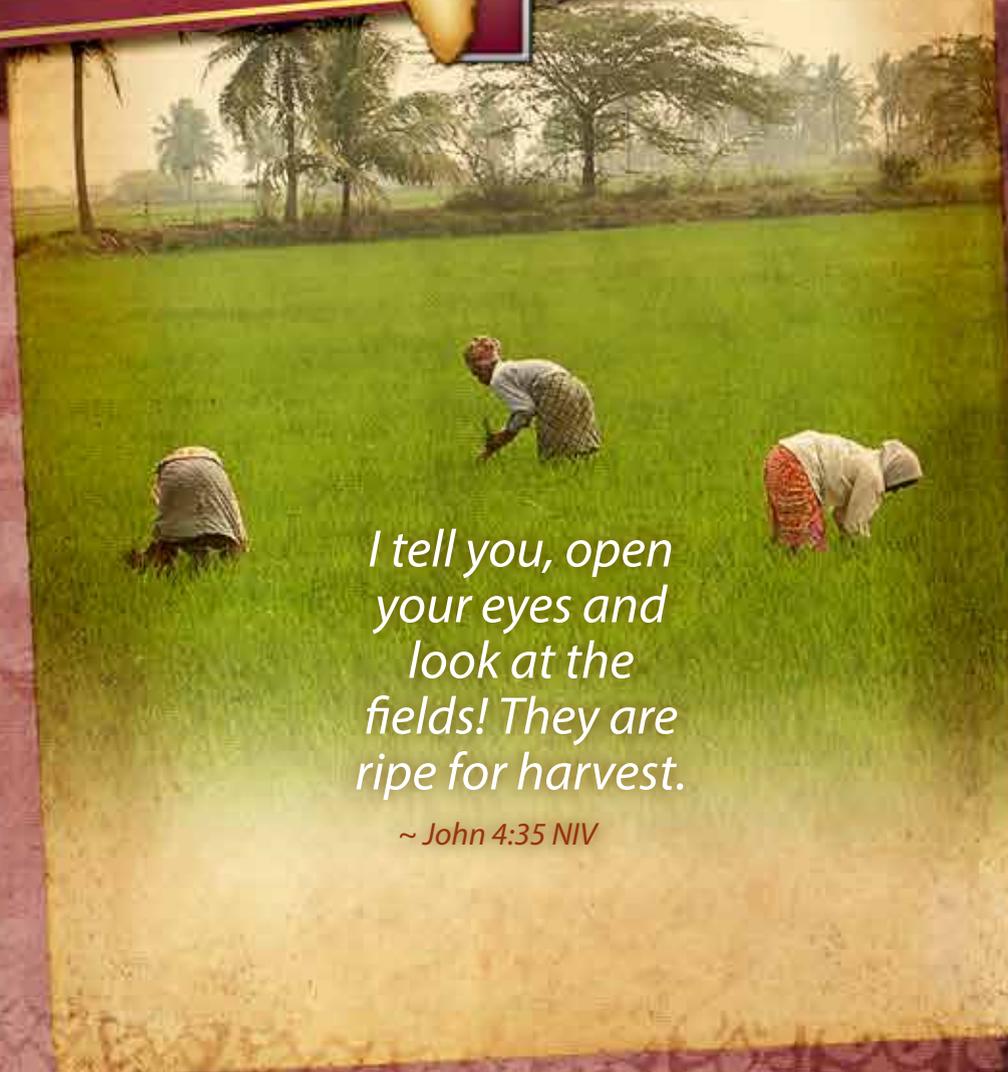
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IREF is governed by boards of directors in the U.S., U.K., and India. Working together to accomplish our common goal of bringing the Bread of Life to a dry part of India.

IREF maintains financial and program integrity through active membership in the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA) and the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE).

Please feel free to contact us for list of board members and complete financial information.



*I tell you, open
your eyes and
look at the
fields! They are
ripe for harvest.*

~ John 4:35 NIV

Jesus Christ, an Agent of Change

Over 65 years ago, God chose to rain down His Grace on Repalle, a rural town and municipality in the southeast Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. More than 80% of the residents practiced Hinduism in 1946, when God gave a loyal servant, Prasada Rao Rebba, a vision on how to transform His people with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Prasado Rao Rebba was inspired to act as an agent of change for the next generation of Andhra Pradesh, an area long plagued by poverty, hunger and lack of education.

Today, this plan from God is carried out through India Rural Evangelical Fellowship (IREF). The IREF campus feeds, clothes and educates 3,000 children annually. IREF churches have been planted in over 100 villages, where pastors and Bible ladies serve as ambassadors for Christ and agents of change throughout the region.

Our mission remains to break the cycle of poverty that still exists by educating the hearts and minds of impoverished boys and girls, empowering them to become the agents of change for their community. We believe this is a faithful fulfillment of God's command to care for the poor, downtrodden and less fortunate.



Dr. Emmanuel Rebba - IREF President



Rev. Craig Darling - IREF USA Director

Future Generations Change Community

Poverty and harsh conditions throughout Andhra Pradesh produce many orphans. IREF pastors and Bible ladies bring these children to the IREF campus in Repalle for care. We provide them with shelter, food, clothing and education. Even more importantly, we introduce each child to the power and promise of Jesus Christ.

Child Sponsorship is essential to our ministry and we can provide care to a child for just \$35 per month. We give each donor a picture, background information and updates about the progress of their sponsored child.

Education Builds a Life that Matters

With the help of loyal sponsors, IREF has built elementary, high school, junior college, degree college and nursing institute facilities on the Repalle Campus. Each school's mission is to provide a biblically based education that prepares students for a career in their given field of study. Current courses include chemistry, biology, electronics, mathematics and language skills, with English taught as a second language.

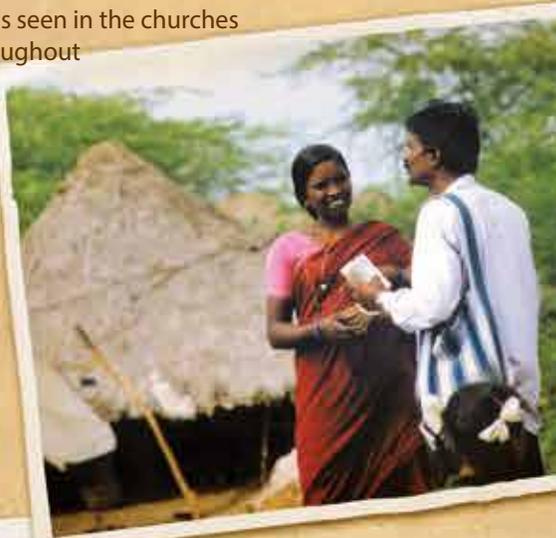
The children and young adults are eager to learn, and consider it a privilege to be able to get an education. This education has the power to break the cycle of poverty and serve as an agent of change to root families in Christ's love.



Ambassadors to Facilitate God's Plan

The central and most vital ministry of IREF is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Over 300 Evangelists and Bible Ladies travel by bicycle or foot to remote villages around Repalle, boldly presenting the Gospel of Christ. Telugu Bibles are distributed and villagers are invited to attend regular weekly church services.

The fruit of the Evangelists' work is seen in the churches they have planted in villages throughout Andhra Pradesh. IREF is blessed to have constructed over 750 cyclone-proof churches through the help of loyal sponsors around the world. These thriving village churches are the heart of our success in the conversion of new believers. They also link our support for orphans and less fortunate children with our schools. Evangelists, Bible ladies and their families can be sponsored for \$75 per month.



Breaking the Cycle of Poverty is Our Mission

Jobs are available for only about five months each year in Repalle and its surrounding agricultural and fishing villages. Lack of a stable income makes it a struggle for people to house, feed and clothe their families.

To further break this cycle of poverty, IREF is offering occupational training and helping villagers build businesses through no-interest loans. Current business-planting equipment includes sewing machines, rickshaws (bicycle taxis), and fishing boats and nets. These income-generation projects are very low cost and can help break the cycle of poverty, as funds are recycled within the community to provide business opportunities to other villagers.

I am interested in helping plant the seeds in India:

- I am interested in finding out how I can sponsor an orphan.
- Tell me more about how I can sponsor an Evangelist or Bible Lady.
- I would like to find out more about being on a medical/building/or evangelism team (usually two week trips).
- I would like to know more about current projects and how I might get involved.
- Please add me to your mailing list to receive your newsletter.

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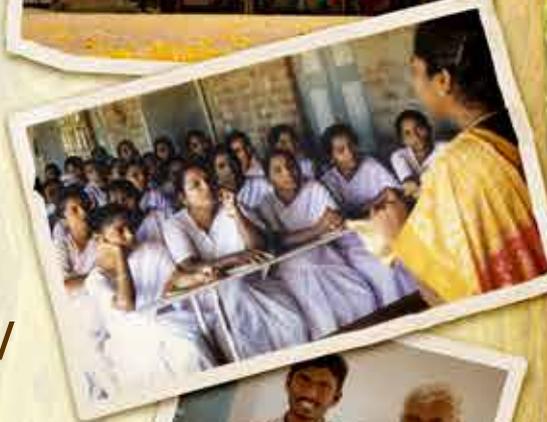
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The Harvest is Ripe

The world is big. The crowds are huge. The number of spiritually lost and dying people is overwhelming. India Rural Evangelical Fellowship takes responsibility to go, to pray and tell all who will hear about Jesus in Andhra Pradesh, South India. The seeds that were planted thru IREF over 65 years ago have quickly grown. Knowledge is being instilled, and foundations of faith are being built. And with this new faith comes an entirely new way of looking at the world around those IREF serves. IREF is truly changing lives and God is at the center of it all!

- **Evangelism/
Church Planting**
- **Orphan Care**
- **Christian Schools /
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- **Occupational
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- **Disaster Relief**



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