



God's Vision for Education Joshua 1:6-8 reveals that the success of the community and the continuity of its culture were conditioned by the knowledge of and obedience to God's revealed law. Thus, to ensure their prosperity, growth, and longevity as the people of Yahweh, Israel's mandate was one of education, diligently teaching their children to love God, and to know and obey his statutes and ordinances (Deut 6:1-9).

In obedience to God's word, IREF is focused on delivering a quality Christian education to the children of Andhra Pradesh, which we believe will impact the hearts of the next generation of leaders. Teaching students to study and meditate on God's teachings is a tool that IREF is proud to arm them with in order to create a firm Christian world view. Without this education, many students would be faced with pressures to adopt popular societal religious

beliefs of Hinduism. Creating a hopeful alternative to idol worship is God's focus for IREF and we have accepted this mandate with sincere commitment and faithfulness to ensure God is glorified in all aspects of the education provided for our students. Please continue to pray for the challenges that IREF faces day to day with staffing and resources that are essential to providing Christian education in Repalle and neighboring villages.



The Power of Education Summer vacation in India is coming to an end. As students either enter the doors of IREF for the first time, or return for another school year, the reality of their home situations is one of grim circumstances. Every single one of the kids that walks through the gates of the school's campus is coming from poverty. IREF teachers are 100% dedicated to the future of the less fortunate. The education provided to the kids at IREF is crucial. The old cliché holds true – knowledge is power! And these kids are being given something they couldn't get anywhere else...hope for a better future, opportunity for more and most importantly, a foundation of faith.

Public school teachers in India saw a significant pay raise this past school year, which led many IREF teachers to consider other career moves to provide for their families. As the demand for teachers grows in India and salaries are increasing. We need your help in keeping our dedicated teachers working at IREF and with our children.

You can help transform the life of a child by supporting one of IREF's 75-1st through 10th grade teachers with a gift of **\$100 per month**. **Your support of an IREF teacher will help provide a monthly salary and necessary school supplies that can transform the learning experience of an entire classroom.** You will provide a ticket to a better future by giving a boy or girl the tools necessary to make a difference in his/her life.

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Change the Life of a Child Today

The new 2013-2014 school year kicks off the first week of June. As many children are often forced to work in fields to help provide for their families, they often do not return to IREF after summer holidays. Please pray that the value of education is appreciated and that students are eager to return to IREF to break the cycle of poverty within their families by furthering their education.



There is no better way to help a child, their family and community than sponsorship. **A monthly donation of \$35 provides one special girl or boy with access to life-changing essentials such as safe water, health care and education....a ticket to a better future by giving a boy or girl the freedom to break the cycle of poverty.**

Sharing the Gospel Thru the Word

Bibles are always in need as IREF Evangelists, Bible ladies and Pastors regularly distribute Bibles written in the Telugu language to new Christians. The need for the Word of God is never-ending!

One of IREF's annual goals is to give 5,000 Bibles to 5,000 new Believers and for only **\$4 each, a Bible can be purchased for one who desires to know the life-changing story of Jesus Christ.**



Share the story of Jesus and the glory of God's work. When local communities request Bibles, your gift means so much more for children eager to have a Bible in their own language. Your gift of a Bible will also bless a pastor by helping him/her lead their congregation by teaching the Word of God.