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OUR JULY NEWSLETTER

Our precious new children



Devarani is approximately ten years old. She lost her father and mother when she was just three. She was brought up by her brother in a small village near Kolkata in West Bengal. When her brother got married, however, he stopped looking after Devarani. They withdrew her from school and forced her to be a domestic worker.

Devarani had threatened to run away from home, which is not far from the commercial sex trade area. Devarani's elder sister Manju – who was rescued from forced prostitution by an NGO – was deeply concerned about Devarani and requested us to help take care of and educate her younger sister. Devarani is a cheerful child. She is now happy, and after a considerable gap is now attending regular school with the other children at Mizpah Home.



Sam is the second son of Janaki and Mani, who parted ways when another woman came between them. Janaki was broken and shattered when she – along with her two sons – were thrown out of the house one night. Janaki, being illiterate, found it hard to get a new foothold in life. She placed her sons in the care of her sister.

She then took up a job as a maid in a boarding school. Sam, being just seven years old at that time didn't know what to think – in fact he still doesn't. He was placed with one relative after another, missing many months of school which threatened to disturb his otherwise brilliant academic record. Sam's mother Janaki sought the help of Mizpah to enable him to live a normal childhood, putting the past behind and preparing for a better future. Sam is a pleasant and mild boy – possessing a sharp and intelligent mind. Sam is happy to be at Mizpah Home – he says the other boys and girls make him feel happy here.

Dear Partners of Mizpah,

Greetings in Jesus our Lord and Master.

Friends, we want to assure you that you are in our constant and fervent prayers. We pray that you may know the length and breadth and height and depth of the love of our Lord Jesus, whom to know is life everlasting.

We have the joy of having two new children join Mizpah Home. Sam from Kothagiri and Devarani from Kolkata. Both of them are lovely children. We covet your prayers for them and us as they settle into a new life and schooling. We've included their case histories here.

Our help is in the name of the Lord. This has been our repeated assurance this past month. Those of our friends who have experienced the monsoon in Ooty will know how awful it can be. These monsoons were as bad as it could get. We had five children down with viral fever. Lama and Jagadish suffered the most. We had to admit them in hospital for three days. The others have recovered quickly and are attending school regularly.

We continue to look to God for His mercies which are new every morning and His great faithfulness, which sustains us from day to day. Coveting your prayers once again, we close with love and prayers...

Mohan and Jenny