



JUNE 2019

37,700+ lives impacted	4,162 leadership students & teachers trained	196 scholarships awarded	3,433 students attended after-school programs	170+ leadership & teacher trainings conducted	250 international volunteers traveled abroad	\$4.3M+ invested in education programs	4,423 students trained thru e-learning programs



**"Return to Resilience" - this
Saturday in OC (12pm) &
Lancaster (6:30pm)**

Return to Resilience

Saturday, June 29th, 2019

12 – 3 pm

18880 Von Karman Avenue, Suite A, Irvine, CA 92612



Please join us for refreshments and a dialogue with Dr. Darshan Ambalavanar (*Projects Manager, Church of American Ceylon Mission*) who is visiting from Sri Lanka to discuss the impacts of the recent Easter bombings, his organization's ongoing education programs and details of a new women's leadership initiative in Sri Lanka (for which Visions is collecting donations).

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**URGENT NEED
FOR SPONSORS!**

All of the following young

This Saturday, June 29th we are hosting two gatherings featuring a very special visiting guest from Sri Lanka - **Dr. Darshan Ambalavanar** of the Church of the American Ceylon Mission (CACM) - who will share his insights on his ongoing education work, ground realities and a new women's leadership initiative that is in the works.

Details of the Orange County event are in the flyer above.

A second dinner event with Darshan is being held later in the day at a **private residence in Lancaster at 6:30pm**. Please email us at visionseducation@gmail.com to RSVP, and we will send you the event address.

After the war in Sri Lanka ended, between May 2011 and January 2018, Visions invested over \$157K thru CACM in school programs, youth leadership programs and higher education scholarships in the Eastern Province - mostly in hard-to-reach, poverty-stricken villages around Batticaloa.

Currently, Darshan is seeking funds to support a 4-month residential Young Women's Leadership training for A/L graduates. The intensive training will take place two times each year for the next 4 years, ultimately serving 96 students. A team of civil society development experts and women activists has developed the training curriculum. The cost for each 4-month training is \$7,800 or **\$650 per woman** participant. If you would like to support this effort, please click [HERE](#) and make sure to earmark your donation for "LET HER LEAD."

We look forward to seeing you this Saturday!

Experience Ethiopia - Volunteer this Summer!



women are currently in their 2nd or 3rd year of university in Tamil Nadu, India and are in urgent need of sponsors (*as their past sponsors did not renew their support*).

For just \$30/month, you can make a huge difference in each of their young lives. Simply click the link below and indicate in the memo field which young woman you would like to sponsor.

THANK YOU!!

SPONSOR A YOUNG WOMAN SCHOLAR IN INDIA



JHANSI

GNM Nursing

KMC Nursing College, Trichy,
Tamil Nadu





AUGUST 12TH - 23RD, 2019
BAHIR DAR, AWASSA, & ADDIS ABABA

PROGRAM FEE: \$1,700/PERSON*

*TRIP PROGRAM FEE IS ALL-INCLUSIVE EXCEPT FOR AIRFARE & ANY PERSONAL SHOPPING

FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO APPLY TO JOIN US THIS ABROAD SUMMER, PLEASE VISIT:
WWW.VISIONSGLOBALEMPowerMENT.ORG/PROGRAMS/VOLUNTEER-PROGRAM

It's not too late! We are still accepting volunteer applications for this summer's service trip to Ethiopia. We will be getting our newest projects in Awassa and Addis Ababa off the ground, and you are invited to be a part of this exciting new phase of our work! Click the link for more information and/or to apply:

[VOLUNTEER WITH VISIONS](#)

Visions' Growing Global Reach



NICARAGUA

Beginning this February 2019, construction on our future all-girls boarding school in Matagalpa, Nicaragua got underway. Now 4 months into the construction process, the foundation and the first few walls of the new school (as seen in the architectural rendering above) have gone up! Construction of the school, student residences, teachers & staff residences, guest & volunteer villas,

SARMILA

BCom

Loyola College, Vettavalam,
Tamil Nadu



SHALINI

BSc Mathematics

Infant Jesus College of Arts &
Science for Women,
Mulagumoodu, Tamil Nadu



PAULINE SHEEJA

BSc Mathematics

Infant Jesus College of Arts &
Science for Women,
Mulagumoodu,, Tamil Nadu



KOWSALYA

BA English - 2nd Year

Loyola College, Vettavalam,

and farm is expected to last one more year. At the moment, we are tentatively planning to open the school doors in February 2021.

Given the large-scale nature of this undertaking, Visions was granted tax-exemptions for the full project, which has already generated well over 200 local jobs and has helped to stimulate the local economy in a time of economic slowdown. The project is already making a positive impact on the community at-large!

GUATEMALA

As part of the above-mentioned project, it was necessary to register a new NGO in neighboring Guatemala, and then to register a branch of that NGO in Nicaragua itself. Thus, "Visions Guatemala" was officially born last month! This now enables us to do nonprofit work in both Guatemala (should we choose) and Nicaragua.

ETHIOPIA

The next evolution of our work in Ethiopia required that we work closely with our local friends in facilitating the registration of a new independent NGO in Ethiopia. As such, "Visions Global Empowerment Ethiopia" was officially registered as a nonprofit charitable organization in Ethiopia in May 2019 with a mandate to work anywhere in the country we choose.

To get things started, this new NGO has officially taken over our existing staff and projects in Bahir Dar (capital of the Amhara Region), and efforts are being taken now to get new Deaf preschool classrooms / Deaf Resource Rooms established in Addis Ababa (the nation's capital) and in Awassa (capital of the Souther Nations, Nationalities and Peoples' Region).

As our global footprint grows, we know that our potential to positively impact the lives of those affected by poverty, conflict and disability grows along with it. We hope you will continue to support our work and be a part of the change.



DAISY DIANA

BE (Computer Science) - 2nd Year

Excel Engineering College,
Namakkal, Tamil Nadu



BHUVANA

BSc Nursing - 2nd Year

KMC Nursing College, Trich
Tamil Nadu



PAVITHRA

BE (Aeronautical Engineering) - 2nd year

Excel Engineering College,
Namakkal, Tamil Nadu



SUJINTHA

BCom

Loyola College, Vettavalam,
Tamil Nadu

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