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Serve the Children News

The Mystery of India by Angie Sherman

I remember praying in India that I would never lose the love that filled my heart and soul while I was there. We get so caught up in our lives in America, always go, go, go. In India, we could just be - be content, quiet, and at peace.

I would wake to the children singing at the Ankoor Children's Home. I thanked God and asked Him to help me to wake with a song in my heart too. Every one of these children grew up in a Hindu home at one time. They choose to follow Jesus Christ and see the difference in believing in One God. When they go to public school and home to their villages on holiday, people see the contentment and respect in these kids' lives. They are walking teachers.

Some of the older children knew some English, but most of the time we would point or draw pictures. I remember a day early in our trip. The children were lining up for school, and as they were leaving I blew them a kiss. They looked at me in shock and I thought I had done something taboo... When I turned to walk away, they called "Auntie". I looked back and they all blew me a kiss... We all laughed. From there on, kisses were blown all the time.

God showed all of us the power of service. Even in the most remote tribal villages, we were treated with such respect and served when others went without. To step back and watch how they put others first was a beautiful and humbling lesson.

The day we left was so bitter sweet. I honestly wanted to stay. The thing is, I started to think about the responsibility to tread lightly on their culture. All that we have is not necessarily what they need. All they need is God, and they know Him. That is what matters most.

I am so thankful to God to have had this opportunity. It was the trip of a lifetime, half a world away. I know in my heart I will return to India to just be.

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See Video Clips from Angie's Trip at:

▪ www.youtube.com/watch?v=bcOi5U7Mxy4

▪ www.youtube.com/watch?v=ym8hdq_Jqw



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*Annual Spring
Fundraiser
May 31st
6:00pm*

*Liberia Mission Team
Meeting
February 2nd
7:00pm*

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Annual Spring Fundraiser

Mark your calendar, our Annual Spring Fundraiser is Saturday, May 31st. Join us for dinner and an auction starting at 6:00pm. We've moved to the Rotunda at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma.

Live auction items include a week of Hawaiian sun in Maui, Golf for four at the exclusive Fircrest Golf Course, and much more!

Tickets are \$30. All proceeds benefit children at All God's Children in Liberia and Ankoor Children's Home in India.

Want to go to Liberia?

Ready for the trip of your life? The 2008 Mission Team to Liberia is forming now. The team will leave June 19th and return July 5th. The cost will be around \$2,800. Fundraising opportunities are available.

The cut off date is March 1st. The next information meeting is Saturday, February 2nd at 7:00pm. Contact Doug Collier at 253-460-3385 for more information.



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Looking for another way to support Serve the Children? Do you shop or sell online?

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