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## Serve the Children News

### India's Mission: Education and Healing Report by Cleveland Futch

It is a 9½ hour train ride and 1½ drive to Ankoor Children's Home in Lasina, Maharashtra. Here Serve the Children provide housing and education for 80 children who live and receive an English based education. We have just built a three room school for kindergartners and first standard. We plan to add a grade each year until the tenth standard year.

In addition to their education, Nalini Gaikwad (Mommy), the director's wife, is a registered nurse who provides treatment for



people in the surrounding villages. She combines her treatment with prayer and explains they have not been healed by the witch doctors because the only healing power comes through Jesus. One young

man has had an infected open sore on his ankle for a year. The witch doctors take his money without healing the sore. He has received prayer and treatment by Mommy and within one week the sore healed. Thus, many Hindu people from surrounding villages have come to accept the Lord.

*Cleveland Futch  
applies teaching  
tools for the  
children in Lasina.*

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Many of the children in the Ankoor Children's Home come to accept the Lord at the school, and go back to their villages where they share the gospel of Jesus with their Hindu families and villagers. Typically white missionaries have been abused and ousted. But they are receptive to their own children who teach



them about Jesus and their reports of physical healings. Local villagers love to come to the school and many experience a peaceful feeling as soon as they walk onto the grounds. This

*Cleveland sees the power of Jesus in India.*

opens the door for Kiron (Director), Mommy and their son Daniel, to witness their gospel testimony.

I am fortunate to see first hand the powerful influence of Serve the Children. It is clear, every time you make a financial contribution or extend your prayer support, you are making a life-changing impact for His kingdom. Villagers are growing in the Lord and witnessing the gospel to their own people where we cannot. Nalini wants to build a health clinic on site to serve the needs of the community and bring the locals to Christ.

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