

## Fr. Ravi's Diocese in India

Dear St. Mary of the Springs,

I, together with my Bishop, would like to thank you for your past generosity to our diocese in India. Diocese of Nellore is carrying out a number of charitable and humanitarian services to the poorest of the poor. They are:



### Education to the Poor Children:

We strongly believe that education is the only way to get them out of their poverty. Our diocese is running schools with hostel facilities. Hundreds of kids get food, medicines, clothing and books. There are 61 schools and 19 hostels targeting this project. Nearly 12,000 students study in our schools out of which 1500 are in our Boarding Homes. It is a very precious contribution for many generations of children who can hope for a better future. Each month we need about \$6,500.



### Home for the Mentally & Physically Challenged:

With the help of sisters of St. Ann and the Holy Cross nuns we run two separate homes with 35 young boys and girls in each home. Parents of these kids are not in a position to take care of them due to poverty and unemployment. Each month we need about \$3,500 for the maintenance.



### Home for the Deaf and Mute:

In this home, we have 37 kids. They receive formal education in sign language which enables them to communicate. St. Ann's sisters take care of them. We have appointed teachers who are specialized. We certainly make a difference in their lives. We spend around \$1,600 per month on these kids.



### Rehabilitation center for Leprosy Patients:

Though some claim that Leprosy is eradicated in the world, there still is a good number our brothers and sisters going on the streets begging. Due to disease, they are driven out from their families. Shame on us. To prevent such inhuman situations, we have established **THREE** rehabilitation centers in three different places. Sister of St. Aloysius Gonzaga work with them. Houses are built for 125 families. As they cannot work, we provide them food, clothes, and medicines all through the year. WE also arrange for the education of their children with Bethlemite4 Sisters. This is a noble cause. Each month we spend \$5,500 on this project.

### Retirement Home for the Elderly Priests:

Our Bishop Moses D. Prakasam is planning to build a retirement home for our elderly priests who have served the people for a long time. As soon as we have enough funds we will start building it. I strongly believe that they need a decent place to spend their retirement time. It is a major project and we hoe to complete it as soon as possible. Once again thank you for considering to support our mission in India.

On the weekend of October 8-9, 2022 we will be collecting for th support of Fr. Ravi's Diocese in India; your contribution is tax deductible. Make checks payable to St. Mary of the Springs Church and include in the memo section "Fr. Ravi's Diocese".