



# My Hope India

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# Testimonies

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**Explorers** is a great book that I received at The Mailbox Club in our village on Easter day after the film show at my school. This book is very helpful to children like me. This book helps those who want to know God and life. The book nicely explains the purpose of mankind on this earth and their value. Now I know there is only one God, who is not in anything but He is everything, and He is always with me if I ask Him to come into my heart. The creative way of telling about God is impressive and helps the reader to remember the essence of the lesson. The stories, pictures and games in the book are arranged in a way that every individual in the class really enjoyed. This also helped us to know Christ and His mercy. As I read this and learn to keep Christ as my role model. I love Jesus and He is my best friend.

—Roy

I had an opportunity to attend Mailbox Club through one of my friends who attends church regularly. As I attended the television show at my friends place, I also received a book, called "Explorers" that led me to learn so many things in life. This book taught me the Bible is the book of God. The important thing is God's gift of Jesus for the world. The book tells about Jesus that He is the Son of God, He is love, He died for all of us, and He was raised from death. This is a great gift from God. Jesus is for me. I thank God for Jesus and allowing me to accept Him as my friend and attend the Mailbox Club for ten weeks at my friend's house. Her mother very lovingly taught the lessons to us, I learned so much and find such a great treasure in Him.

—Aswanthy

I am glad to be a part of The Mailbox Club. I really enjoyed a lot in these classes both in learning and playing too. I have got a treasure from God as I explore through the book Explorers. From the book I have achieved the facts which were unknown to me. God created this world. He has created man in his own image. But because of the disobedience man is separated from God. Then God sent his own son Jesus to die and resurrect. There are many stories like these and interesting games also. It got my attention to learn so many memory verses. Now I found the Bible is interesting and I am reading everyday and praying. Thank you Mailbox Club. I got a beautiful certificate in front of all my old and new friends, thank you.

—Mareena



**This is the first time** I have used my holiday to find something useful for my life, by attending the children's program on Easter day. We had about 8 children of the same location gathered in Caroline's Christian house. Aunty called me the next week, expecting one more TV show so we all went to Aunty's house and she gave me something that I can never forget.

I have read this book "Explorers" and worked out all the questions that were given in the book. I found that this book is very interesting and informative. It is very helpful to my life personally. After reading this book, many changes are taking place in my life. Because the book explained to me what is sin and salvation, who is God and Satan, and the eternal plan of God for me and all. I thank my God to have an opportunity to learn so many things from this book. I decided to obey God's Word and He will be my guide throughout my life. Please send me this type of books more to learn and be a child of God. They will be more useful to my future. Hope you will pray for me and my studies.

—Renju

**We had great time** inviting friends to the Easter children telecast, I have invited all my friends by putting some colourful pictures in front of my house, that was not the end to my work. When I saw my friends were interested to know about Jesus I was surprised and shocked how the children of other faiths are hungry to know the true God by doing Mailbox Club lessons at our home. I learned all the lessons from the book, Explorers. The book was really good in explaining all situations of a person daily and also teaches us how to turn back to God. The book clearly explains about sin, the way for salvation, and the steps to become God's child. The book gives a clear mention of devil and his influence in our life. It also explains about God's promise that He will come again. This book tells about the mighty power of God and how it will attract each one of us towards God. I am sure the book was helpful to realize my path and to correct it. I am so thankful to those who publish this book. I have prayed my sinner's prayer at the end of the 9th lesson, but my 13 friends made decision to be friends of Christ at the 5th lesson. I want to thank you Mailbox and my mother for leading my friends to salvation.

—Blessy



September 27 2010

On September 27-28, 2010 Marvin White, TMC Asia Regional Director, and Stephen Chitti Babu, TMC India Country Coordinator, conducted "House Visits" to nine different homes involved in the My Hope India project. Following is their report.

## Home #1

The first home we went to was in the July-wada area of Hamakonda, a town in the Warangal district of Andhra Pradesh, India. This is the home of Mr. Daniel is now on in it's second round of TMC teaching. After the Easter telecasts close to 20 children completed Explorers

course one and two. Now 14 children have started the lessons. They began their new club by inviting to view a DVD by Billy Graham called Journey to Hope the story of Asha. Approximately 70% of the children attending the club are from Hindu families. This second generation of the program is almost complete. The children are already on Explorers 2 lesson 11. By next week these children will be graduating.



## Home #2

The second home we visited was in the Rapura area of Hamakonda, a town in the Warangal district of Andhra Pradesh, India. This club is located in a very sensitive Hindu area. The Hindu's are very fanatical. Mr. John is the host of this home. It is a very small home in a slum area. All of the children invited to the club are Hindu children. After the Easter telecasts, 23 children completed the TMC lessons. Now 12 children have started the lessons and are now on Explorers 1 lesson 2. This poor family had to borrow a television and DVD player in order to show the Journey to Hope DVD.



A Hindu girl reciting her memory verse.



Marvin White praying for children.



## Home #3

The third home that we were able to visit was in the Pochmaidanam area of the town of Warangal in the district of the same name. The club is run by a Pastor Abraham. Abraham started one MHI club directly after the Easter telecasts. That club has already completed all the lessons. Now that those children have completed the lessons, he has started a new club in a different area. This new club is in a very poor community. The only television in the house is around 30 years old. Out of the 15 children attending the club, 3 are from Hindu families. The majority of the children are from nominal Christian families. The children are now on Explorers 2 lesson 7.



## Home #4

The fourth home that we visited has 17 children. It was located in the Thummalakumta area in the town of Warangal. Ten of the children are from Hindu homes. They come from the nearby slum to attend the house club. This club runs every other week. The children have slowly been working on the lessons since Easter. Because it is a very sensitive area, the club only meets once every other week with the Hindu children. The Christian children meet each week on Sundays, but do not work on the lessons until their Hindu friends can attend. The Hindu children that attend the club were invited there by other children. The young teacher of this club is only 15 years old girl named Rani. She is the daughter of the



*Rani — 15 year old teacher of My Hope India Club.*



*Hindu mother from the nearby slum with her son giving thanks for Mailbox Club.*

host family. Rani not only teaches the material but also makes up stories to illustrate the concepts taught in the lessons. Many of the slum children that attend the club are illiterate. Illiteracy is another reason for the slowness of this club. These children are on Explorers 1 lesson 9.

Before we left the home, one slum child ran home to tell his mother that the Mailbox Club Uncle from America was here. She quickly came to see us. She was so happy to see us and tell us "thank you for teaching all good things". That was a wonderful testimony coming from this strong Hindu lady.

## Home #5

We were able to visit the home of the Mariyamma family. They are hosting one of the MHI clubs. 30 different homes invited children together to watch the telecasts in this small village of Babupet in the Karamnagar district of Andhra Pradesh. Now these children are studying together in one place. None of the parents from the homes could teach the lessons because they are all illiterate. One Sunday school leader from the nearby town of Hanamkonda. All of the children from this area are from Hindu families. 17 older children are being taught the lessons now and once they are complete, then they will be the ones to teach the lessons to the younger ones. Approximately 35 children are waiting to learn the lessons from these older ones. The children are currently on Explorers 2 lesson 6. Only the children are literate in this area. This is the second round of children taking the lessons here. 35 children have already completed the lessons on the first round.

There about 1,000 homes throughout this village. Only 30 of these families opened their homes for the MHI work. Now they are seeing many mothers coming to the Lord. But the fathers are very resistant to making decisions for Christ.

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