Justice for Children International
Annual Report
2005
Justice for Children International works toward the abolition of child sex trafficking and exploitation through aftercare, prevention and advocacy. JFCI trains aftercare workers, multiplies safehomes, aids socioeconomic development programs in high-risk communities and provides a voice for these victims of modern-day slavery.
Half way across the world we walk into the living room inside of a safe-home. A ten year old girl shies behind one of the care-givers. She has seen Mike’s 6’3” frame and is instantly scared. We spend time with the staff and girls, and as the day wears on they walk us down the dirt road to the property JFCI was able to purchase for another safe-home to be built, this home will be for girls under the age of twelve who are rescued out of sexual slavery. We stand; JFCI staff, care-givers, young girls, and dream together about this new home, nearly complete. By the end of the afternoon Mike receives a pat on the arm, and a smile from one girl who will one day soon live in that house and dream of her own future.

Coming home, I was reminded of the two questions I am often asked: one, “Is the abolition of child sexual slavery possible?” and two, “Is the restoration of victims of child sexual slavery possible?” I think the magnitude of the problem begs the question. There are millions of predators, millions of victims, and billions of dollars in this story. There are some days, after hearing the latest horror story, or reading about the latest rapist who was given a light sentence when that question arises in my mind, but I remember the question can never be viewed through the millions of people, but only through the one person.

After you have seen the one, danced with the one, buried the one, the millions are there, but not as an insurmountable mass. The millions suddenly have faces, you begin to see them as individuals. This seeing takes faith because once we see the face of the one instead of the millions, there is a call to action and responsibility. This can seem frightening, but the beautiful thing is; the weight of the millions will not crush you but the face of the one can change your life, and you in turn can possibly change theirs. Martin Luther King Jr. said “Take the first step in faith. You don’t have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.”

The one is where we must always begin. The one is worth the risk, the time, the tears, the danger, and the celebration. The one is who changes the world, with a pat on the arm and a smile.

Abolition & Restoration,

Rob Morris
President, JFCI
New Safehome Land Purchased

Thousands of children could be rescued if there were adequate facilities and trained caregivers to help counsel and support the children.

Working alongside a local partner organization, JFCI has purchased the land for and is funding a new safehome for girls under 12 years old. Construction on the new safehome is currently underway. JFCI has invested in this location for three years and educating the caregivers is an essential part of this project. Many of the new safehome caregivers have attended a JFCI Aftercare Training Program in 2006, ensuring staff are equipped with tools for successful therapy.

Cambodia & Thailand Well Prevention Project

As part of the JFCI prevention program, eight water wells were installed in areas prone to child trafficking. Children now stay in their village to collect water rather than walking miles, risking abduction by sex traffickers. Child sex traffickers seek out vulnerable, everyday moments to move in and abduct children. Everyday tasks, such as collecting water for the day, present high safety risks. This has been of serious concern to families on the Cambodia/Thailand border, where children walk eight kilometers to collect water. In order to reverse the risks, JFCI funded the construction of eight wells in targeted villages along the Cambodia/Thailand border. Working with the Cambodian Hope Organization (CHO), a Cambodian partner, JFCI prevented the abuse of children with a simple solution.

"Because of the wells JFCI funded children in our village are no longer afraid of child abuse or of being trafficked," said Lok Sovan in Nong Chan, Cambodia. "Instead of carrying water for eight kilometers back to our homes the children now attend school."

Local villagers are trained in the maintenance and repair of wells, resulting in a long life for each well constructed. The clean water from the wells also lowers the deadly diseases in the area, and can be used to water and grow crops.

Foundations are put in place

Children pump fresh water in the safety of their village
JFCI Develops the Training Program in Aftercare

Children cannot be liberated from bondage only to end up at risk of starvation, homelessness, or being re-trafficked and exploited. At this very moment, children in brothels around the world could be set free if additional safehomes and trained caregivers existed.

In 2005 JFCI developed two aftercare programs:

- **Training Program in Aftercare (TPA):** from grassroots levels to graduate students, this program aims at developing participants knowledge and skills in working with victims of child sexual exploitation
- **Safehome Program:** provides care for survivors of child sex trafficking and exploitation (CSTE).

JFCI’s Aftercare programs are devised and directed by Dr. Gundelina Velazco, a recognized international consultant in counseling psychology. Dr. Velazco has taught in institutions in Malaysia, Cambodia, South Africa, Namibia, and the USA, particularly in the therapy of traumatized children. She was a university professor in the Philippines in the fields of psychology, education, research, and counseling for nine years. She is an accredited member of the British Psychological Society. In recognition of her work among the world’s children at risk, Dr. Velazco received the Presidential Award, Pamanang Filipino Award, in December 2004, a recognition bestowed on Filipinos overseas for excellence and distinction in their work or profession.

### Training Programs

JFCI has devised training programs to be used to train participants at several levels. The program aims at developing knowledge and skills for working with victims of Child Sex Trafficking Exploitation (CSTE). Through these training programs, caregivers learn to help CSTE survivors by facilitating restorative experiences, teaching life skills, and providing hope for a better future.

The JFCI Training Program in Aftercare is conducted at two levels:

- **Certificate TPA:** a two-week intensive training for grassroots caregivers already involved with rescued children in safehomes
- **Diploma TPA:** a nine-month university level course for those committed to a career in CSTE aftercare.

The Training Program in Aftercare is designed to:

- Expose aftercare workers to various theories, techniques and applications of relevant disciplines, with emphasis on victims of CSTE
- Provide an intensive and highly supervised practical experience with victims of CSTE and other workers in the field
- Develop competence and skills to conduct scientific research that contributes to the knowledge base of aftercare and prevention in CSTE.
In September 2002, JFCI Co-Founders went on an exploratory trip to SE Asia to determine how they could serve in the fight against child sex trafficking. In brothels, they saw young children being sold for sex, but in safehomes they witnessed the miracle of restoration as they sang and danced with sex trafficking survivors. The goal of this and subsequent trips was not to “reinvent the wheel” but to find out where the greatest needs were and how they could be most helpful in filling those needs. After 18 months of research, networking and other foundational work, JFCI became an official Public Charity in March of 2004.

Founders

Robert Morris is co-founder and president of JFCI. Prior to establishing JFCI, Rob worked with Mercy Ships International directing training schools at the International Operations Center. Rob travels internationally to speak and teach on issues of justice, compassion and human rights.

Desirea Rodgers is a co-founder and Creative Director for JFCI. Previous to Justice for Children International, Desirea spent ten years working within the U.S. and abroad in leadership training and community based outreach programs for Youth With A Mission. She is currently developing “The Story Project” which will incorporate photography and the stories of children who have been rescued out of the sex trade.

Lamont Hiebert is a co-founder of JFCI. Prior to launching JFCI, Lamont established himself as a successful recording artist and songwriter, receiving a 2002 Dove Award nomination and number one hit radio status for his song “Ocean” (www.tenshekelshirt.com). As a musician/abolitionist, Lamont helps inspire a movement against modern-day slavery and care for victims of child sex trafficking.

Board of Directors

The JFCI board of Directors includes co-founders Rob Morris and Desirea Rodgers and the following:

Stephan Bauman is the country director for World Relief Rwanda based in Kigali, Rwanda. Prior to joining World Relief Rwanda, Stephan served as director of international programs for World Hope International. From 1994 to 2001, Stephan worked for Mercy Ships International as director of programs and director of training. Stephan is a certified public accountant. He holds degrees in international public policy, intercultural studies and business.

Heather Crane received her degree in accounting from the University of Oregon. She worked as an auditor for Deloitte & Touche for two years. She currently travels with her husband, who plays professional golf on the PGA tour. She also serves on the board of the Tour Wives’ Association, whose focus is to raise money to support various children’s charities throughout the country.
Robert E. Kauffman is the founder and President of Ambassador Advisors, LLC. Active in the investment business since 1976, Bob has earned the CFP™, Certified Financial Planner designation, as well as the ChFC™, Chartered Financial Consultant designation. He is recognized as a leading professional in investment management and estate planning and has trained and supervised hundreds of financial planners during his career.

Mark Markiewicz is the Executive Director for Justice for Children International in the UK. Prior to this Mark was the Executive Director for the Business Professional Network (BPN) in the USA and was the National Director for Youth With A Mission in England (YWAM). He has eighteen years of experience in global missions and development leadership and worked with JFCI in the USA prior to moving to the UK.

Glenn Miles is a children's nurse, who began his career with hands-on experience with children and their families in stressful life experiences. He has done significant work in refugee camps in Thailand and Cambodia, but has also worked in India, Pakistan, the Philippines, Nepal and Sri Lanka. Glenn recently spent five years with Tearfund in Cambodia working on advocacy, research, facilitation, capacity building and training.

Bette Ann White is a seasoned financial consultant and the principal of Integrity Financial Consulting. She holds a BS in Accounting from Drexel University in Philadelphia and a Masters in Public Health in Hospital Administration from Yale University. Bette Ann directed her attention to health care finance, gaining experience in consulting/audit services and operations. Most recently, Bette Ann served as Chief Financial Officer of a Physician Practice Management/Managed Care company. In addition to a BS and MPH, she is a CPA and Accredited Valuation Analyst.

Kristin Wiebe currently directs anti-trafficking programs in West Africa for the Faith-based Agencies’ Initiative Against Trafficking In Persons Consortium, and in Cambodia for World Hope International. She holds a law degree from the University of San Francisco School of Law and has worked on trafficking issues in the United States, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Cambodia. She has also lobbied at the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to address the demand for trafficking.

Advisory Board

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**REVENUES**

Direct public support $225,097

**EXPENSES**

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Net Loss ($11,288)

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**Accountant:**  
Finer, Chase & Marcarelli, LLC  
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Financial Giving
Individuals can make one-off or monthly contributions to JFCI via the JFCI website using a credit card or they can mail a check to the JFCI U.S. office.

Planned Giving
There are many creative ways you can give a planned gift such as charitable gift annuities and charitable remainder trusts, as well as the transfer of appreciated real estate or securities, real estate properties, or life insurance policies. JFCI can provide you with additional information and assistance in taking advantage of any of these giving methods.

Gifts by Bequest
A bequest allows you to make a contribution to JFCI while reducing estate taxes.

When making your will, simply state the following:

I give, devise, and bequeath to Justice for Children International at 817 Chapel Street, Suite 3E, New Haven, CT 06510, the sum of $________ (or _______% of my residual estate otherwise describe the gift) for the general purposes and uses of Justice for Children International at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Foundation and Corporate Giving
JFCI is supported by individual and family foundations that have a desire to see the abolition of child sex trafficking and exploitation. Proposals are available for all JFCI projects and can be sent for your review and consideration. Donations can be designated for use in specific programs. Many companies also have foundation funds available for philanthropic efforts around the globe.

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PROVERBS 31:8

JFCI uses donations and grants for their intended purposes. When projects are fully funded, additional donations for those projects will be used where most needed.

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JFCI is a founding member of Stop The Traffik. This major global coalition works together to help stop the sale of people, to see the traffickers prosecuted and to protect the victims of human trafficking and those vulnerable to this crime.

On March 25, 2007 the Abolition of the Trans-Atlantic slave trade will be remembered in many countries around the world. Stop The Traffik will use this anniversary as a catalyst for an initiative whose goal is to cry for freedom for every human caught in trafficking around the world, with a particular focus on children and young people.

The conviction that freedom is a human right drove both black and white abolitionists in the 18th and 19th centuries. That same conviction drives the Stop The Traffik coalition in the 21st century.

200 years ago, William Wilberforce realized the shocking news—Britain’s slave trade was a growth industry, and the backbone of Britain’s economy at that time. He was a man whose convictions compelled him to act. That same spirit that whispered in his ear to end the slave trade whispers in our ears today. William Wilberforce was one man who mobilized a swell of voices to speak out against injustice and make a difference that impacted the world.

The abolition of the Slave Trade Act (1807) was achieved by a mass movement, made up of those who were enslaved, anti-slavery campaigners and ordinary members of the public, black, white, male and female.

On March 25, 2007 there will a worldwide shout for change—we will raise our voices so that everyone may hear—we will shout with joy to celebrate the traffic that has already been stopped, and shout the call for the release of every trafficked child. We will fight for those who cannot fight for themselves.
“THE MORE YOU LEARN ABOUT HOW THE MOST INNOCENT AND VULNERABLE AMONG US ARE SAVAGED BY THESE CRIMES, THE MORE IMPOSSIBLE IT BECOMES TO LOOK THE OTHER WAY.”

—COLIN POWELL, FORMER U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE