



The total amount of money you sent to Mission Together projects in 2006 was £86,221.
As a result, you helped 12,406 children last year!

THANK YOU!

Look on our web page for more pictures

www.missiontogether.org.uk



YOU helped 731 children in PAKISTAN

YOU helped 2,015 children in INDIA

YOU helped 1,702 children in SRI LANKA

YOU helped 120 children in GHANA

YOU helped 450 children in ZIMBABWE

YOU helped 7,350 children in SOUTH AFRICA

MISSION TOGETHER worldwide has helped 47,719 children in 29 projects over the last 3 years in ECUADOR

YOU HELPED US SMILE AGAIN!

Do you know the Mission Together Prayer?

May all children
In the world
Share love,
Share friendship
In the peace
Of God's love
Now and forever

Amen



'Collections were taken during our Christmas plays in December and I have great pleasure in enclosing a donation of £206 towards your charity.'

Do you or your class need a new collection box? Just ask your teacher and we'll send you some

'I am delighted to send you a cheque for £1,000 raised for Mission Together by students in the school as a result of a recent non-uniform day.'

The letters snippets are from headteachers and the photos (clockwise from top left) are of Barnsley Advent meeting 2006; St Joseph's, Ramsbottom; New Hall, Chelmsford; St Amand's, Wantage; St Alban's, Pontypool; Our Lady's Convent junior school, Abingdon; St Ethelbert's parish, Ramsgate

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CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN

MISSION TOGETHER

Children's Newsletter 2007



CARLOS

from

ECUADOR



THE RIVER CHALLENGE

Carlos says:
¡ Hola !
Come and see
how we live on
the river



In the past 3 years children in **Mission Together** have helped **47,719** children through **29** children's projects in **Ecuador**

ECUADOR is one of the smallest countries in South America

- The capital is Quito
- The official language is Spanish
- ECUADOR is Spanish for *equator*

CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN



Hi, I am Carlos. I live in Ecuador and this is my house. I live with my parents, brothers and sisters on the banks of a big river. There are no roads in the jungle so we go everywhere by canoe. Can you see the river in the middle of the Ecuadorian symbol? It is a bit like our river. What symbol is on your flag?



There are lots of things to do at home. My mum and my sister Sofia cook all our meals. My older brother José goes fishing with my dad every day. My job is to look after my younger brother, Diego. We make our own toys. Grandma looks after Maria, our youngest sister. How many people are there in your family?



This is Mr Basilio our headteacher. **Mission Together** helped him to build a big school for boys and girls from four villages. Mr Basilio wants even more children to come to learn. He wants everyone to know about God and how we must look after God's creation. I did not realise that education was important until one day...

Look at the pictures. Can you describe how we use the river? Can you think of more examples? Why are the trees so important?



TRANSPORT



FISHING



COOKING



Read in your Bible the beautiful things God says about rivers. Help us to study, and to protect our homes, our trees and our river - all God's beautiful gifts!

They feast on the richness of your house. You give them drink from your river
(Psalm 36:8-9)

Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptised by John in the river Jordan
(Mark 1:9)

Discuss what happens when the trees are felled and logged... Can you think of more effects? Why do you think we need schools?



NO ONE PLANTS NEW TREES...



THE RIVER IS CLOGGED...



FALLING LOGS ARE DANGEROUS...

IT IS HARD TO



My friends wanted to play football with a new ball I had made. While we were looking for somewhere to play, we suddenly we came across a sign saying: KEEP OFF, DANGER! I was the only one who could read it. I made us all obey the sign! We had strayed into a logging area. We could have been badly hurt. Imagine!



A company was chopping down the big trees on my parents' land, destroying our environment, and we did not know it! They use our river to transport them. Do you know why our trees are so important? And why we should look after God's creation? I want to study more so that I can become a teacher and help others to protect my home, trees and river.



All children deserve to go to school to learn about God's world and care for it. Children in **Mission Together**, can you live up to your motto **children helping children**? Can you help us to build a new school? We cannot manage without your generous help and prayers. Thank you. We will pray for you also. ¡Adios! Carlos

ARTWORK BY MARTIN WRIGHT PRINTED ON PAPER FROM RENEWABLE RESOURCES

BUILDING HOMES



BUILDING SCHOOLS



BUILDING CANOES



Wherever the river flows,
all living creatures
teeming in it will live...

Along the river, on either bank,
will grow every kind of fruit tree

with leaves that never wither
and fruit that never fails...
(Ezekiel 47:9-12)

Jesus said: 'I came so that they may
have life, and have it to the full...'
(John 10:10)



THERE IS NOWHERE TO
WASH, FISH OR PLAY...



EROSION TAKES OVER...



TRAVEL...



THE LANDSCAPE CHANGES...

Mission Together needs your
help to build
schools on the
river so that
Carlos and his friends can
look after God's
creation.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!