

Baptist Children's Home

March 9, 2018 was a celebration of a dream come true at the dedication of the Siloam Home in Odisha, India.

Thank you! Your help made this beautiful home possible.

Baptist Children's Home, in support of our partner Agape Royal Ministries, after years of on-again/off-again construction and all the challenges that come with working in such a remote place in India has completed the Siloam Home.

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This beautiful home has finally materialized and is ready for our children.

It represents the generous work and giving of many people who have stepped up to make a positive difference in the lives of orphaned, needy and disadvantaged children.



Boys from our group home enjoy dinner at the dedication



Our celebration at the Siloam Home Dedication!

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When vulnerable children are cared for, it helps to bring hope and encouragement to all. Many people, including the children who will call this place home, attended this extraordinary event.

However, it also included another very special group

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of people, many pastors representing local churches from the extended area.



A community of pastors and neighbors shared in the joy of the new Siloam Home and shared about their ministries as well.

These men and other influential community members are witnessing what God has done and is doing in their local mission field.

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The crowd listened intently as thanksgiving speeches were given and charges were made to the gathering, to the glory of God.



The children enjoyed the celebration!



Semo, age 8

Meet Semo:

Semo is eight years old and came into care two years ago. His family was very poor and needy. Their living situation worsened when his father was killed in a tractor accident while working in his rice field.

This blow to the family has greatly discouraged Semo’s mother. She cannot do any difficult labor, but instead does what she can to collect fruit and leaves from the forest to sell in the marketplace. Their economic situation is such that they live in a cowshed and not even a proper home.

Semo and his mother are so glad that he is now well cared for in this home. He attends school, and memorizes Bible verses and prays. He would like to become a teacher someday. Until then, he has fun with the other boys and enjoys playing badminton.



Our ministry leader Abraham Thomas (center, pictured left) prayed a blessing at the dedication of the Siloam Home.

We prayed for all the children whose lives would be changed in this home.

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This home is so roomy that the leaders there in India have decided to house two group home families of boys, one on each floor, of this spacious building.

I think the great room or living room on each floor of this house was bigger than the entire homes where the children were residing in the past.



The downstairs great room (above) is larger than an entire previous group home.

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It is a palace in this humble village. We need to pray that God will bless this excellent facility and all those who live there as they seek to raise children in the nature and admonition of the Lord.





The upstairs great room (pictured above) provides a large living space for our families and children!



Outdoor bathroom and shower facilities of the Siloam Home



Ajay, age 9

Meet Ajay!

Ajay, now nine, also came into our Siloam Home two years ago. Since coming into our care he has gained both spiritual and physical strength, but prior to that, his life was nearly hopeless.

His father is an alcoholic, making problems at home, not working, and begging for money for alcohol.

Ajay's mother is doing difficult work, trying to raise the children and is in a terrible financial state. She is very hopeless and helpless. Their home is very sub-standard.

Ajay has done so well being in our home. He studies well and also works to memorize Bible verses. He enjoys playing cricket with the other boys.

As you can see from the pictures we have included, this home is spacious and has beautiful granite floors, ceiling fans, and both indoor and outdoor bath and shower facilities.

Please also pray for our loving Indian partners as they face all the challenges of living as a minority religious group among a sometimes-hostile religious majority.

We extend our thanks again for all of you who helped to make this beautiful home possible. May God bless you for blessing the children!

With Love,

Bill Brittain