

*Christmas is not only  
about opening gifts  
with glossy packaging  
but opening your  
hearts too...*



*Let's help the slum community  
celebrate Christmas this year!*

At Christmas the tinkling of windchimes and the multi-coloured lights make our homes feel amazing. The reason why we look forward to the Christmas season and are restless is that we are looking forward to experiencing the joy of being blessed by God as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. The festive season calls everyone to give love and happiness in the form of tangible gifts and goodie bags. But what about the people, who hardly get their basic necessities met, living in the slum areas? How do they celebrate this day? Do they get enough food and money to enjoy it, or celebrate it like most people? The pain on the faces of many slum dwellers shows the answer to those questions, but what is the solution? It is a wonderful time of year for children, mothers, fathers and other relatives, but for slum dwellers, it isn't so wonderful!

Christmas time should not only be observed as a holy day, but also a celebration for everyone. The pale and yellow faces of those millions underfed seek the one who can give them a chance to smile and realize what festivals mean. The day, being remembered as the arrival of the Lord Jesus is a time when we reaffirm our ties with friends and family and are also willing to donate to others.

We seek to help parents and guardians produce wonderful memories for their children across the Asha slums. With your support, we can spread love and kindness to these children, and their families.

This Christmas please join with us in providing gifts for the slum dwellers and Asha's slum children, so that this year they can have a truly 'Happy Christmas'.

# *Donate generously and give hope and joy to the slum dwellers of Delhi.*

AUD 10 will provide 1 Asha child with a Christmas gift

AUD 12 will provide 1 Asha child with a Christmas party

AUD 16 will provide 1 Asha child with warm clothes

AUD 20 will provide 1 Asha child with a blanket

AUD 22 will provide 1 elderly person with a blanket

## *Donate today - and make your gift go further!*

Australian Friends of Asha (ACN 161 085 650) can collect funds for Asha from Australia. Donations over AUD 2 are tax deductible.

### **1. To donate online:**

Visit <http://www.australianfriendsofashaslums.org.au/donation/> and follow the simple steps to make your payment via a secure server.

### **2. To donate directly from your bank:**

Please make payment to the following account, and please include your name as a reference.

Account Name: Australian Friends of Asha for Slums Limited  
Bank: Bendigo Bank  
Account Name: 147 414 122  
BSB No: 633 000

### **3. To donate directly to Asha India, go to:**

<https://asha-india.org/get-involved/donate/australia-donations/>

### **4. To donate by cheque:**

Make a cheque payable to "Australian Friends of Asha for Slums Limited" and mail it to:

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