



CANDLE FACTORY GIFT A MEAL PROGRAMME (GAM)



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THIS IS A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION THAT IS SENT TO ALL PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH CANDLEAID LANKA

The details here are about “Feeding the Hungry,” assisting them to place some food on their plates. The cost of sponsoring a family for a whole year is Rs 26,400 which includes the admin charge of Rs 2,400. Every month the recipient family receives Rs 2,000 worth of dry rations. A volunteer coordinator appointed for each family, helps with the purchase of the monthly supplement and completes the paperwork which is audited by CandleAid.

This is the Gift-A-Meal program of CandleAid and currently we have 151 families from all races and all religions and in all districts of Sri Lanka. If we look at 4 members to a family, and if CandleAid gifting dry rations affords them one simple meal a day, maybe just rice and dhal and a free growing green to go with it; still better than going hungry. This way approximately 600 people eat one meal every single day, thanks to the generosity of CandleAid sponsors. Of course, the dry rations we gift are limited, that is what we can purchase with Rs. 2,000 a month.

YASSE BANDA



Yasse Banda is from Diggana. His body is wasting from Muscular Dystrophy. He has no income, can hardly walk. Got no way to feed his wife and three daughters; repairs cane chairs, rarely he gets a chair to repair. Two daughters are in school. The girl receiving an education sponsorship from CandleAid passed her GCE Ordinary Level in the village school so well, that she got admittance to do her Advanced Level in a better secondary school.

That is the sum-total of Yasse Banda's life. He is waiting to die, so he says. The family is sponsored by a lady from Singapore who pays Sin \$ 230 per year to gift some food to Yasse Banda's family.

UDAYA IGNESHWARAN



Udaya Igneshwaran met with an accident and is now wheelchair bound. His family is receiving a Gift-A-Meal sponsorship.

He is the father of two children. His wife looks after the house and attends to his needs and as such is unable to seek employment. Udaya's father was supporting the family as best as he could but sadly he suffered a heart attack and passed away in January 2018.

They live in a partially constructed house. Udaya's 12 year old daughter Anjula is the recipient of a CandleAid educational sponsorship.

MARY YOGAPALAN

Mary Yogapalan is from Mannar. She is a widow and feeds her two daughters by earning a meager income cleaning houses in the neighborhood. One of her daughters is studying and the other stays at home as she lost an arm during the war. Mary and family are receiving a Gift-A-Meal food supplement.

These are the types of family that receive assistance from CandleAid.



We have many such families awaiting assistance. For details please contact:

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We also have two other sponsorship programmes, namely, the Education Sponsorship Programme and the Cancer Patients' Sponsorship Programme. There are many students and patients awaiting assistance under these programmes too. For further details please contact:

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It would be great if you share this with your circle of friends.

More details can be found in our website www.candleaid.org



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