

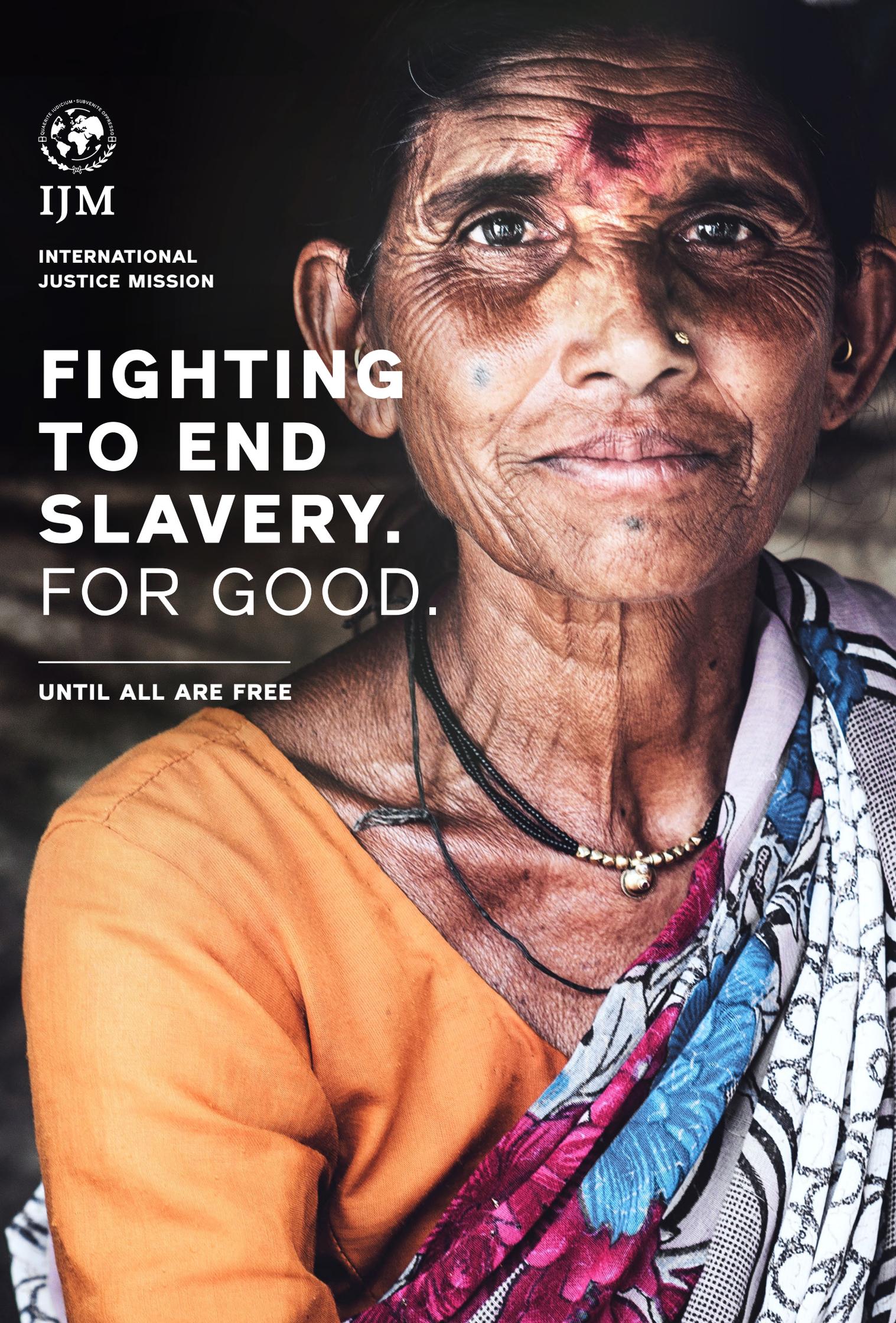


IJM

**INTERNATIONAL
JUSTICE MISSION**

**FIGHTING
TO END
SLAVERY.
FOR GOOD.**

UNTIL ALL ARE FREE



TODAY, **35 MILLION**
CHILDREN, WOMEN
AND MEN ARE HELD
AS SLAVES.



In the developing world, violence is as much a part of daily life as hunger, disease or homelessness—but it’s often overlooked. This allows crimes like slavery and sex trafficking to thrive.

Children and families are vulnerable because their justice systems don’t protect them.

Established laws are rarely enforced, so criminals continue to rape, enslave, traffic and abuse them without the fear of the law being enforced.

IJM is a global organization that protects the poor from violence in the developing world.

We believe when laws are enforced by well-trained and equipped police and courts, people are better protected from slave owners, traffickers and other abusers.

For nearly twenty years, IJM has been standing on the front lines, together with our local partners and a global justice movement, to push back the advance of everyday violence and bring an end to slavery—for good. IJM works through 17 field offices throughout Africa, Latin America, South and Southeast Asia. IJM is headquartered in the U.S. and has partner offices around the globe located in the UK, Canada, Germany, the Netherlands and Australia.

IJM: HELPING TO PROTECT MORE THAN 21 MILLION PEOPLE FROM VIOLENCE WORLDWIDE.

IJM’S MODEL: HELP VICTIMS AND REPAIR JUSTICE SYSTEMS SO THEY FUNCTION FOR EVERYONE.



RESCUE

Work with local police to rescue victims from slavery and violence



RESTORE

Provide counseling, education and skills training to survivors



RESTRAIN

Work with local police to restrain criminals, traffickers and slave owners



REPRESENT

Work with public prosecutors to represent survivors in court

Through this process, IJM identifies weaknesses in a justice system, forms relationships with authorities and then helps strengthen the system by providing resources, training, accountability and hope.

After four years of IJM’s partnership with local authorities in Cebu, the Philippines, outside auditors documented a stunning 79% decrease in the availability of children for commercial sex.

UNTIL ALL ARE FREE

Five children as young as 2 years old were rescued from online sexual exploitation in August of 2015.

IJM ON THE GROUND: HOW IJM BRINGS RESCUE, RESTORATION AND RESTRAINT

We first heard about Maarko* when his photo was uncovered by our investigators in Cebu, the Philippines.

The United Kingdom's National Crime Agency had discovered more than 4,000 images and videos of boys and girls on a man's laptop, and traced the origins back to a cybersex trafficking ring in the Philippines. One of those children was 7-year-old Maarko.

The seized computer belonged to a 73-year-old man, who was sexually abusing and exploiting children via a webcam from London. Hidden behind the screen of his computer, he assumed he was safe.

But authorities were on to him. The investigation of the man led to two women who were exploiting their own children, nephews and nieces, and recruiting other mothers to procure children ranging from 2 to 13 years old. The children were forced to pose for lewd photos and perform sexual acts on themselves or each other, often directed by the man via his webcam.

"Foreign pedophiles like this man exploit the economic vulnerability of women to satisfy their sexual, and sometimes sadistic, appetites," explains John Tanagho, deputy director of IJM Cebu.

The man was convicted and sentenced to prison in 2015. After a six-month investigation, IJM was also able to help authorities break the cybersex trafficking ring in the Philippines. Both accomplices were charged with child abuse and qualified trafficking.

Five of the children are related to the main suspect—Maarko's mom. The rescued children initially

received crisis care at a temporary shelter, while IJM staff and government social workers assessed each child's needs to make long-term plans for their care. Months later, the children are slowly readjusting to a new life of freedom. Maarko and his cousins are back in school.



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“Rescue is really the beginning point on the road to real freedom,” explains Ann Knapp, IJM aftercare training and development specialist. “Particularly for these children who were abused by a trusted adult, we must help reframe how they understand the abuse and their innocence in it—that the shame and guilt is not theirs to bear. Understanding why a loved one is now in jail, learning to trust new caregivers—it's an amazing amount of adjustment and a lot for a child to understand.”

This is why IJM is committed to walking with the survivors of abuse as long as it takes to bring them justice and healing.

*A pseudonym

MORE THAN 564 RESCUED IN IJM'S LARGEST ANTI-SLAVERY OPERATION EVER

Indian police and IJM staff rescued 564 children, women and men from forced labor slavery at a massive brick kiln in March of 2016.

The operation took place in the same sprawling factory in India where we helped rescue more than 500 people in 2011.

The kiln owner was able to walk free on bail after the first operation, but today his impunity has ended. Police arrested him and five other accomplices from an organized trafficking network. They are currently in custody and will face charges under India's anti-trafficking laws and Bonded Labour Act.

This operation highlights a critical need in the fight against slavery: If criminals remain free, the violence will continue. However, if laws are enforced and traffickers go to jail, we can end slavery for good.

TESTIMONIES REVEAL BRUTAL ABUSE

The rescued families paint a vivid picture of modern-day slavery. They lived in tiny tin-roofed rooms or tattered tents. Many went without eating for days at a time.

At 3:00 a.m. every morning, the laborers began long days of molding, stacking and hauling heavy bricks for hours on end. They suffered verbal and physical abuse and were watched at all times.

Nearly 200 children lived inside the facility—almost half under 5 years old. While some were allowed to attend school, IJM learned that most children over age 12 labored alongside their parents.

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READY TO RETURN HOME

For the next two years, IJM staff will meet with the families regularly and connect them to long-term rehabilitation programs and opportunities so they can rebuild lives in freedom.

IJM will support local police as they build the legal case against the kiln owner and the trafficking ring that helped him grow his business—hopefully ending this systematic abuse of the poor for good.



March 3, 2016, day of rescue—IJM staff and local authorities escort bonded laborers out of the facility.

HOW ONE ROTARIAN PARTNERED WITH IJM TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Caleb LaPlante is member of the Greater Grants Pass Rotary Club (USA) and the Oregon State Coordinator for the Rotarians Against Child Slavery Rotary Action Group (RACSRAG.org). Caleb is a 35-year-old business owner, husband of Crissy, and father of two children, Jude and Gemma. He is passionately dedicated to improving opportunity and reducing vulnerability for youth in his own community, and around the world.

The issue of modern-day slavery and what life is like outside of the protection of the law became tangible for me when I watched Gary Haugen's TED talk. He told stories of women, men, and children from around the world, and even one from the state where I live. Talk about bringing the issue home!

I felt compelled to find out more about the issue of human trafficking and modern-day slavery, and to do what I could to address them.

This past January, I worked with an organizer from IJM, Kate Case, to host a series of events that would raise awareness and show support for the End Modern Slavery Initiative Act, a bill currently in Congress that will change the

game in the fight for freedom. It's amazing what can happen when people come together and raise their voices: I'm happy to say that both of Oregon's senators have now given their support to this landmark legislation.

The great opportunity that programs like Rotary highlight so well is that each of us has the ability to take action and change the world we live in for the good. Through organized efforts, the contributions of individuals can transform into powerful movements—the kind of movements that will one day spell out the end of slavery. There's a role each of us can play, and I'm proud to be part of the story of freedom.

—CALEB LAPLANTE

Julita*, rescued from sex trafficking in Cebu, the Philippines



BE A CHAMPION

BE A CHAMPION IN THE FIGHT TO END SLAVERY

Rotarians led in the fight to eliminate polio. Now you can be a champion in the fight to end slavery forever. It won't be easy. But with your help, it is possible.



ADVOCATE. Ask Rotary International to be leaders in the fight to end slavery.

Visit IJM.org/Rotary to download a template letter, customize it, and gather signatures at your local meeting. Send it to us at:

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Attn: Paige Hrubik

or email them to Rotary@IJM.org and we will forward it to Rotary International on your behalf.



SIGN UP. Fill out a contact card or sign up at IJM.org/Rotary and we'll stay in touch with breaking news in the fight to end slavery.



HOST. Host a TED Talk viewing party and educate your community on this important issue. Download your toolkit at IJM.org/Rotary.



LEARN MORE. Read *The Locust Effect* by Gary Haugen & Victor Boutros. *The Locust Effect* will take you on a gripping journey that will forever change the way you see poverty and leave you with hope that we can help make the poor safe enough to thrive. (Available at Amazon, Amazon UK and Barnes & Noble. Available in Korean, Chinese, English, and German under the title "Gewalt")



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Highlighted as one of 10 non-profits "making a difference" by *U.S. News and World Report*, IJM's effective model has been recognized by the U.S. State Department, the World Economic Forum and leaders around the globe, as well as featured by *Foreign Affairs*, *Forbes*, *The Guardian*, *The New York Times*, *The Times of India*, *The Phnom Penh Post*, National Public Radio, and CNN, among many other outlets.

