

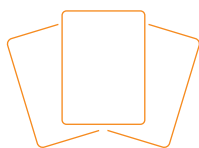
Activities

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN

The suggestions below contain ideas for various age groups. Please use whichever are appropriate.

Because they have chosen to follow Jesus, many children and young people around the world face discrimination and even violence. Countless Christian children are trapped in poverty, because their parents are marginalised and discriminated against for their Christian faith. Brick-kiln children are despised and hated. They also experience hunger and sometimes homelessness.

You can learn more about the experiences of children from brick-kiln families in Pakistan through the game below.



The brick-kiln game

Want to know what life is like for Christians working in Brick Kilns in Pakistan?

Now you can experience the challenges poor Christians face every day.

Children aged from six upwards can play this role-play game, although you will need an adult or responsible young person to take on the role of Brick-Kiln Manager.

For details of how to play and to download your **FREE** game pack, visit www.barnabasfund.org/SCAW



You or your youth group could sponsor a Christian schoolchild

Christian children can be victimised in government-run schools in countries where Christians are a despised minority. Classmates and even teachers can verbally or physically abuse them and Christian children often come under pressure to convert to the majority religion. Sometimes Christian children are marked down or failed in exams.

You or your church youth group can sponsor a Christian schoolchild by joining *Living Streams*. Through your support they will be able to attend a Christian school, safe from persecution, where they can get an education and grow in their faith. Through a regular monthly donation you can help provide for school fees, other educational expenses, and in many cases food too.

On average* it costs **£18** per child per month .

If you choose to sustain a family or sponsor a child, we will also send you a prayer card with a photograph and details of persecuted believers you are helping.

*The amount needed varies from school to school. A regular gift of any amount will make you a Living Streams sponsor.

Please note that we cannot normally arrange for the exchange of letters between a donor and those they are sponsoring. This is because of security issues in areas of persecution and to keep down our administration costs, so that we can maximise the help given to the needy Christians.



Raising awareness through social media

Go to our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BarnabasFund. On Facebook, you will find the SCAW post pinned to the top of our page. Please like our page and share the SCAW post with your friends and family – ask them to do the same!



To help you pray

You can use the *Barnabas Prayer* leaflet – enclosed in this magazine and available online www.barnabasfund.org/prayer-diary – to guide you or your youth group as you pray.



Look in *Barnabas Prayer* at the items for 18 and 28 October for prayers that specifically relate to young people and children.

For other prayer resources see the Getting Involved with Suffering Church Action Week on page 20



Arif Masih with his wife Martha, son Sharoon (aged 10), and daughters Angel (13) and Shakina (8). The family was freed from their debt burden of £636 by Barnabas Fund