

"You are God's field, God's building:"

In your church today, you have the opportunity to build something miraculous, to plant seeds of new life. Where God's people have suffered loss, you are invited to invest in the future. When you give to Week of Compassion, your gift travels to places where disaster or poverty has caused great suffering. Through your generosity, we empower communities to grow new kinds of crops in a changing climate; we support youth education and vocational training; we rebuild homes and churches and help provide needed supplies after disasters; and we empower women with skills to support their family and their neighbors.

In these and so many other places, ***we are co-workers in the kingdom of God.*** Building, planting, watering... and trusting that God gives growth to all good gifts shared in faith.

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In Thailand, a 13-year-old girl arrives at The New Life Center, seeking relief from the cruel conditions that have brought her here. Her life up to this point has been mostly about survival. Here, she meets others like her. Some of them are survivors of sexual abuse, domestic violence, or human trafficking. Some have been forced to work when they wanted to go to school.

What will the future be like when she is empowered to share her gifts with her community and the world?

At the New Life Center she is met with the investment of time, support, and resources. Here she is allowed to imagine a new future. Finishing school. Learning a trade. Even going to University to earn a degree.

In I Corinthians 3:9 Paul writes that we are all co-workers together in God's service. Some of us plant. Some of us water. But God gives the growth. Paul reminds us that we are all called into the service of God, who cares for each and every one of us. What will the future be like when we work to plant and water together and trust God to give the growth?

When you give to Week of Compassion, you invest in the futures of these girls and countless others like them. Your gifts provide education, vocational training, basic necessities, and much-needed community support. When we share the love of Christ in this way, we see lives transformed. Not just their lives, but ours as well. Because when we empower these young women to build lives for themselves, we help God build a better world for us all.

As we invest in futures and serve as co-workers with God, the future becomes one of endless possibility and opportunity for all of us. What a great return on our investment!



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