

There are 2.2 billion children in the world

Every second child lives in poverty

Pray for all those who live in poverty, who struggle to feed their families, who will go to bed hungry tonight.

Pray that the church will find creative ways to obey God's command to care for the poor.

Pray for the provision of food, water, clothing, shelter, education and medicine for those living in poverty.



**1.2 million children are
trafficked every year**

**A child is sold into sex slavery
every 30 seconds**

Pray for the uncovering of brothels,
pornography and slave trade rings.

Pray for freedom, restoration and healing for
children who have been victims of trafficking.

Give thanks for initiatives like the *Stop the
Traffik* campaign. Pray that individuals,
churches, charities and governments around
the world will continue to work together to
bring an end to the modern-day slave trade.



121 million primary school aged children don't attend school.

Give thanks for the gift of education: the opportunities it creates and the skills it teaches. Pray that children all over the world will be given the opportunity to attend school.

Give thanks for the commitment and dedication of teachers all over the world. Pray that those in developing countries will be provided with the tools and facilities they need.

Pray for an end to discrimination against girls in social, economic, political and religious spheres. Pray that boys and girls will be granted equal opportunities to receive an education.

There are an estimated 100 million street children in the world.



India has the highest population of street children

Pray for the millions of children who live and work on the streets of our cities. Pray that attitudes towards them will change, so that their humanity is recognised and affirmed, and they are not simply dismissed as a menace or a nuisance.

Give thanks for the many organisations who seek to reach out to street children, providing for their basic needs and seeking to give them a fresh start.

Pray for the work of **SGM Lifewords' Pavement Project**. Ask that each child who is counselled through the *Picture Me* process will encounter God's love and acceptance. Pray boldly that **Pavement Project** might be a means to transformation for thousands more children.



The Pavement Project story

Pavement Project was developed by child psychology/trauma specialists over four years and is delivered by trained workers.

Pavement Project uses a Bible-based, therapeutic counselling process called *Picture Me*.

Pavement Project is a holistic approach that takes the Bible seriously and works through relationship.

The *Picture Me* counselling materials are carried in a big green bag that becomes a familiar sight, and a symbol of love and acceptance.

The *Picture Me* process uses specific Bible stories and tailor-made resources to help children tell their story and express the emotions that they've experienced.

Picture Me allows children to see themselves differently – slowly self-worth and a sense of hope for the future emerge.

Stories are shared ... relationship grows ... transformation comes.



Ten amazing years of Pavement Project

15,000 children counselled.

Those who've been counselled include street children in Brazil, child soldiers in Columbia, HIV positive children in Africa, victims of abuse in India.

Almost 1,000 workers trained worldwide.

177 organisations working with **Pavement Project**.

Last year: on average 92% of children counselled showed improved self-worth as a result of the *Picture Me* process.

