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# You're Inspiring the Next Generation!

Thanks to you, hundreds of teens vowed to live chastely. Now, they're telling their friends.

Allushka was insulted.

She'd just attended yet another sex-ed class. Every year, it was the same message: you can't control your sexual desires. Have sex and use birth control. If it fails, get an abortion.

The teenage girl from India was tired of the rhetoric. Teens can control their desires if they want to. But no one ever explained why they should.

Allushka wondered, what is the real meaning of sex?

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Empowered by your missionaries, these teens pledged to practice chastity.

Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope you're enjoying a blessed Easter season!

Your compassion brings me so much

hope for the future.

I'm delighted that our younger generations are eagerly embracing God's plan for family life. And it's because of you.

You inspired hundreds of students from India to em-



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brace chastity. And this was just one mission! I've heard similar stories from the Philippines, Tanzania, and many more countries.

Thanks to you, young people are living out God's plan for sexuality. Someday, they'll raise their own children to value these great gifts.

You make this life-giving work possible. We couldn't do it without you.

Please remember to pray for me. As always, I'm praying for you.

Yours in Christ and Our Lady,

Father Daviel

Father Shenan J. Boquet



"All over the world, young people are rejecting the lie that teens can't control their desires. Because of you, thousands of boys and girls promised to live chastely."

### YOU EMPOWER TEENS TO DESIRE VIRTUE AND REAL LOVE

Sadly, teens like Allushka encounter this ideology everywhere. Books, movies, music...the culture bombards them with casual sex. No one tells them about God's wonderful plan for human sexuality.

Thankfully, you believe in them. You know that young men and women can live virtuously. And you help them understand why it's worth it.



You transform young lives through your chastity programs.

This is why your chastity education programs are so powerful. When young people learn about God's plan for marriage, they commit to living chastely. Because of you, boys and girls joyfully embrace true love.

## THANKS TO YOU, HUNDREDS OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN PROMISE TO LIVE CHASTELY

Last December, your missionaries held a conference in Goa, India. Allushka and her dad both attended. She finally learned about God's plan for marriage and family life.

Boys and girls eagerly listened as your missionaries explained the beauty of human sexuality. Waiting until marriage is a joyful gift!

At the end of the conference, over 500 young men and women took a vow of chastity. Allushka was one of them. Her dad cheered, as hundreds of young people promised to live virtuously.

You empowered these teens. Your missionaries offered practical advice for living chastely. It might be hard, but it's worth it. Love is a gift. With God's grace, they can live out His plan for sexuality.

# YOU INSPIRED ALLUSHKA. NOW SHE'S HELPING HER FRIENDS TO VALUE MARRIAGE

Thanks to you, Allushka is eager to help her community.

Sadly, many young people in India get abortions. Some of Allushka's friends don't know why it's wrong. And others agree with LGBTQ ideas, which are spreading among students.

You gave Allushka the tools to help her friends. Your missionaries explained why marriage is so im-



Your missionary, Dr. Ligaya, leads hundreds of students in a vow of chastity. Thanks to you, these teens will treasure God's plan for sexuality.

portant. LGBTQ ideas deny God's plan for sexuality. And abortion kills a child. Thanks to you, Allushka is prepared to defend life and marriage.

#### YOUR CHASTITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS ARE CHANGING LIVES ALL OVER THE WORLD

This mission to Goa was just one example. All over the world, young men and women are rejecting the lie that teens can't control their desires. Young people want to be truly loved.

Because of you, thousands of boys and girls promised to live chastely.

When these men and women get married, they'll live out God's plan. Chastity is just one aspect of God's plan for sexuality. These couples will welcome new life. And they'll inspire their children to do the same.

Thanks to you, their lives will be shining examples for others.

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# **Gaudencia Quit Birth Control After Devastating Side Effects**

Your missionaries offered hope and healing. Today, Gaudencia empowers women to embrace fertility!

Usually, a business sign exists to supply necessary information.

But for Gaudencia, it was an invitation to a new life.

At the time, contraception had wrecked her life. Your sign outside HLI Tanzania inspired her to seek help. Thanks to you, Gaudencia now encourages women to reject contraception and welcome new life.

### AN ANTI-FAMILY DOCTOR URGED GAUDENCIA TO USE BIRTH CONTROL

Gaudencia married Daniel soon after her 21st birthday. It was a blissful first year of marriage. The young couple eagerly looked forward to their future together. They were so excited to raise a family.



Thanks to you, Gaudencia healed from birth control. Today, she's training women to value fertility.

Soon, Gaudencia gave birth to a daughter, whom they named Careen.

Unfortunately, Gaudencia's doctor wasn't profamily. After Careen's birth, he convinced Gaudencia to use birth control. By preventing pregnancy, she could devote her time to her daughter.

Gaudencia didn't know how dangerous birth control is, physically or spiritually. So, she allowed her doctor to insert Norplant in her arm.

## HORMONAL CONTRACEPTION DESTROYED GAUDENCIA'S HEALTH AND MARRIAGE

Almost immediately, Gaudencia suffered Norplant's side-effects. She experienced painful headaches and heavy bleeding. She even lost her appetite.

The implant took its toll on Gaudencia and Daniel's marriage. The young couple began fighting. Their quarrels grew more and more frequent. And Gaudencia feared her marriage would fall apart.

Finally, Gaudencia couldn't endure the pain anymore. After three years, she got the implant removed. But it was too late. Gaudencia's health was in shambles, and the fighting continued. Two years later, Daniel and Gaudencia separated.

#### YOUR MISSIONARIES TAUGHT GAUDENCIA NFP AND HELPED HEAL HER BODY

This was the state of Gaudencia's life when she saw your sign hanging outside HLI Tanzania. She still suffered from health problems. Maybe this center could help? Gaudencia decided to visit.

Your missionaries happily trained Gaudencia in natural family planning. She couldn't undo her past, but at least she could learn about her fertility. With the right support, her body might be able to heal. The more Gaudencia learned about NFP, the more excited she felt. If only she'd known this eight years ago! She needed to share this gift with other women. Rejecting God's plan for her fertility destroyed her life. She didn't want anyone else to suffer.

#### BECAUSE OF YOU, GAUDENCIA IS TRANSFORMING LIVES AND MARRIAGES ALL OVER TANZANIA

Thanks to you, Gaudencia began training couples in NFP. Today, she's one of your missionaries. She travels from town to town, teaching spouses about natural family planning and the dangers of birth control.

In the past two years, Gaudencia has personally trained over 80 women in NFP. At least 10 have gone on to empower more women within their own communities.

This is the ripple effect of your mission work. You freed Gaudencia from the bonds of contraception's damages. Thanks to your generosity, she's changing lives all over Tanzania.

### Your Radio Programs Save Another Child in Rwanda!

Abandoned and broke, Violette desperately wanted abortion. Thankfully, she turned on the radio.

Violette choked back tears of frustration.

John said he cared. He promised he was ready. He said he'd take care of a baby...

Thoughts kept swirling through Violette's mind, as she stared at the pregnancy test.

... Maybe he'll pay for an abortion.

#### VIOLETTE DIDN'T HAVE ANY MONEY. RAISING A CHILD SEEMED TOO EXPENSIVE

Violette and John both live in Rwanda. At first, they had a happy relationship. But one evening, John urged Violette to sin, promising to take care of her. Violette felt trapped, and he seemed sincere. So, she gave in.

A month later, Violette held a positive pregnancy test.

Unfortunately, Violette immediately wanted an abortion. In Rwanda, being pregnant outside of marriage is a huge disgrace. She didn't want to bring shame on her family.

Violette also didn't think she could afford a baby. When she told John about her pregnancy, he

### refused to help raise his child. John claimed the baby was her problem.

Violette felt defeated. How on earth could she raise a child on her own?

#### VIOLETTE HEARD YOUR MISSIONARIES ON THE RADIO. THANKS TO YOU, VIOLETTE CHOSE LIFE

Because of you, HLI Rwanda hosts a radio program to educate people about pro-life issues. One evening, Violette listened as they discussed the dangers of abortion. She didn't want to go through that!

Your missionaries also talked about the innocence of the preborn child. Why should a baby be the victim of a mother's behavior?

## Thanks to you, Violette realized her mistake. She didn't want to kill her baby!

After the program ended, Violette reached out to HLI Rwanda. Your missionaries promised to help. She wasn't alone.

Thanks to your compassion, missionaries gave Violette baby clothes and food. They even helped pay

for medical bills. Because of you, Violette chose life.

# VIOLETTE'S STORY REVEALS WHY EDUCATION IS ESSENTIAL TO ENDING ABORTION

This story shows why your pro-life education programs are so important.

You see, Violette never heard the truth about abortion. No one told her life begins at conception. Violette believed that life began three months later. Until then, abortion seemed fine.

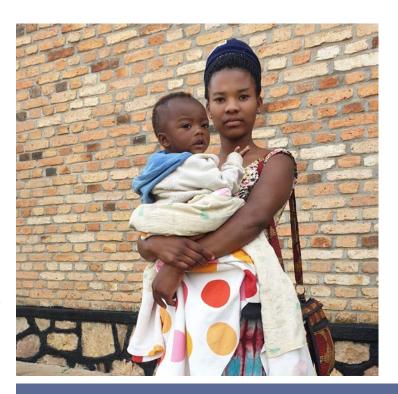
Your education programs provide moms with accurate, pro-life information. When moms know their baby is alive, they reject abortion. You save their preborn babies from a horrific death.

# CHASITY PROGRAMS PREVENT CRISIS PREGNANCIES AND HELP BUILD STRONG FAMILIES

Violette's story also shows why teens need your chastity education programs.

Imagine if both John and Violette knew about God's plan for sexuality. They would have valued marriage. And they wouldn't have sinned.

When young people live chastely, they have happy marriages instead of crisis pregnancies. This drastically reduces the number of abortions. This is why chastity education is essential to uprooting



You saved Violette's son from abortion. Thanks to your radio program, Violette chose life!

abortion.

Thank you for your compassion. Your generosity means the world to struggling moms like Violette. You're building a world where abortion is unthinkable.

### THANK YOU for making change possible!

Every story you read in Mission Report is a snapshot of your impact. Your gifts are saving lives and souls all over the world. None of this amazing work would be possible without you.

Thank you for building a pro-life world. Please pray for the mission. I'll be praying for you.

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