## **BE A SPONSOR TODAY**

Be part of seeing a child who once had no hope, become full of love, hope and opportunity.

Monthly Support





### Your support can change a life. It could change your life, too.

#### You receive:

- An information package providing your sponsor child's history
- Three updates each year about any progress in your sponsor child's care and about where they live.
- Updated photos of your sponsor child each year
- Opportunities to communicate with your sponsor child
- Potential to go to China and visit them in person as part of a Sponsor Team or China Team\*

#### Apply online:

### chinaconcern.org/sponsor

\* You must apply with ICC to join a Sponsor Team or a China Team to visit your sponsor child. This will include a mandatory criminal record check in accordance with our Child Protection Policy.

#### International China Concern

is a Christian development organisation that changes lives by bringing love, hope and opportunity to China's abandoned and disabled.

Find out more by visiting:

#### chinaconcern.org

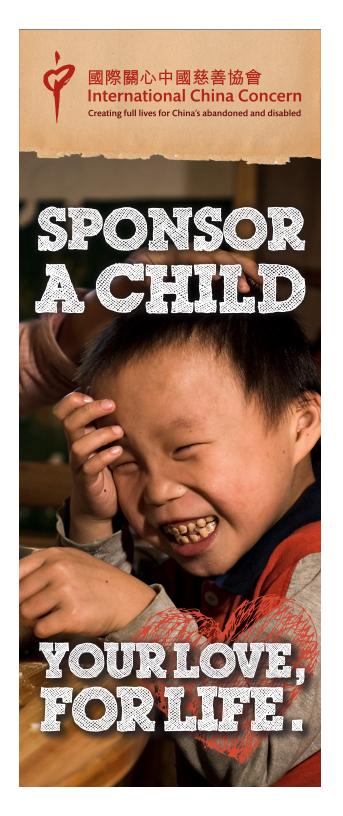
Get in touch with us by contacting the ICC National Office near you.

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#### Your love gives a child life

Sponsorship lets you personally help an abandoned child lead a full life.

Our children need a lot of care. They have a range of conditions and are all different ages. Physical and mental disabilities mean daily therapy, frequent hospital visits and regular medication.

#### What sponsorship means for our children

As a sponsor, you do so much more than just meet basic needs. You give our children the chance to feel like part of a family. They receive special care they might not receive in a government welfare centre, and learn skills that empower them to live a meaningful life.

#### What sponsorship means for you

You are not only changing a child's life—but your own as well! Our sponsors say that partnering with ICC gives them a huge sense of purpose and fulfillment. It helps them understand Chinese culture, and gives them a personal connection to that fascinating country.

# You can find out more about Child Sponsorship by visiting:

chinaconcern.org/sponsor

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In 2004, I made a trip to China as part of an ICC China Team and there I met Yang Jian Ping. She had only just been abandoned. She didn't speak, smile or make eye contact with us. She expressed no emotion at all.

I spent the next two weeks just holding her and showing her love. Near the end, she cried when I tried to put her down; she did not want to let go of me. It was a heartbreaking moment, but it was also the first emotion she had shown.

Once home, I began sponsoring "Ping Ping." I received updates and pictures over the years so I could see her progress. Five years later, I returned to China and saw her.

It was a huge blessing to see first hand the progress she had made and be able to spend time with her. She had such a sense of belonging in her group home and she had the biggest smile ever!

Being a sponsor is a tremendous blessing. And if you have the opportunity to meet your child in person, it will change your life.



#### Sanmenxia (HENAN PROVINCE)

The Sanmenxia Project was started in 2010 and is a joint venture partnership with the Sanmenxia Welfare Centre. There are currently more than 70 children in our care, with more being added each year. Each child is given individual care with emphasis on special education, foster care and therapy. This means infants and toddlers have a better chance at survival, and a higher quality of life is given to children and young adults.

#### Changsha (HUNAN PROVINCE)

The Changsha Project was started in 1993 and we currently care for 100 children and young adults. Services are comprised of foster care, group homes, vocational training, residential care for the profoundly disabled, medical services, education and therapy. A number of these children and young adults attend local kindergartens, schools and colleges while others receive special education provided through in-house programmes.

#### Hengyang (HUNAN PROVINCE)

The Hengyang Project, established in 2004, is a partnership with the Hengyang Welfare Centre. We currently care for more than 135 children and young adults living in family-style groups. The project has baby care units, a medical unit, foster care, community group homes, education, vocational training and therapy.