

GLOBAL CLASSMATES



Hola, Buna, Bonjou and Hello!

Did you have a pen pal when you were a kid? I did, and I loved getting photos and letters from her and learning all about her culture. I was fascinated by the things we had in common as well as the things that were very different. I am excited to share with you an opportunity that will be a great benefit and blessing to your students, and also to children in need around the world.

You may be familiar with the domestic work of One More Child in the areas of Child Hunger, Foster Care, Single Moms, Anti-Trafficking and Family Support. But did you know that we provide Christ-centered services in **15 countries around the globe?**

Our Global Classmates program connects the children in your classrooms to a child in another country through Child Sponsorship. Through this program, each grade level **connects with a Global Classmate their same age**. Your students will trade letters with their Global Classmate to learn more about their culture and life in a different country. They will have the opportunity to receive a live chat or pre-recorded greeting from their Global Classmate, and even enjoy a virtual field trip to the child's country! Most importantly, your students will learn they can **make a difference in the world**, even at a young age, by providing critical

nutrition, medical care, education, and most importantly, friendship and hope for a child struggling in poverty.

One of the best parts about this program is your students' Global Classmate will stay with them from year to year, as they all move up through the grade levels together!

Finally, **gracias, mulțumesc, mèsi, and thank you** - for all you are doing for our future generation of world-changers. We hope you will consider signing your classes up for Global Classmates! Let's work together to change the life of one more child.

Together for Children,

Rebeka Corgan
Executive Director of Global Programs



How it Works



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A Global Classmate will be selected for each grade level at your school. Your students will be the same age as their respective Global Classmate and will move up through the grades (through grade 12) with the grade level each year.

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Your students can help support their Global Classmate through fundraising. \$35/month or \$420/year provides the necessary nutrition, medical care and education your Global Classmate needs to break the cycle of poverty and enjoy a hope-filled future.

There are several options for this:

- Children could bring in donations to deposit in a collection jar or box on an ongoing basis.
- Classes could have a monthly Global Classmate day when students can bring in donations and spend a small amount of time focusing on Global Classmate activities.
- Classes could have an annual or semi-annual fundraiser to collect donations to support their Global Classmate.



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We will send you general information about the Global Classmate – where they live, what their families and homelife are like, their hobbies and interests, etc. Each student will receive a prayer card with their Global Classmate’s photo and information to take home as a reminder to pray for their friend across the globe. This is an amazing opportunity for your students to **learn about another culture and to grow a heart for the nations.**



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Your classes can choose to write letters to their Global Classmate! Perhaps it is one letter from each classroom, or the students can take turns writing a letter. Your Global Classmate will even write letters back – **your students will be thrilled to hear back from their friend across the globe!**





Classroom Resources



Welcome Packet

Each classroom will receive a welcome packet describing your child's cultural background, living conditions, family situation, prayer requests and more!



Sponsorship Flier & Prayer Card

Each child will receive a flier about our sponsorship program and a prayer card for their specific child to take home and share with their family about the incredible impact of sponsorship!



Resource Page

Resources will be provided to help your students learn more about their Global Classmate's country and culture. Distribute them in class to spark ideas about how to communicate with your sponsored child.



Guest Speaker

Each school will have access to book a One More Child staff member to come to speak in-person to classes on cultural artifacts, traditions and other country-specific information for each sponsored child.



Virtual Field Trip

Your students will get an exclusive glimpse of the ministry location where their Global Classmate lives from the comfort and convenience of their classroom. They will get to see their neighborhood, home, church and school. Your students will learn about another culture and also witness how their giving and their relationships are directly changing lives around the world!



Meet your child virtually

Students will receive a LIVE or pre-recorded video session of their sponsored child through a Zoom meeting OR video streaming platform (depending on time zone and availability)! What an amazing opportunity to connect on a personal level! If the child does not speak English, no worries, there will be a translator available to help.



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FAQs

Q What are the guidelines for communicating with our Global Classmate?

A We ask, for your protection as well as the Global Classmate's, that you do not share any kind of personal contact information, including addresses, emails, phone numbers or social media accounts. We also ask that no last names are shared. Please refrain from any discussions (whether written or in live chat sessions) regarding violence, weapons, alcohol, tobacco, politics, etc. Please be careful not to promise things like visits, gifts, etc. **All written communications will go through the One More Child office**, and students and faculty are asked not to communicate with the child without permission from One More Child.

Q How will we coordinate the financial transactions?

A The best way to manage the financial transaction is to set up an **automatic credit card or bank account payment**. This can be set up to draft monthly (\$35 per child), quarterly (\$105 per child) or annually (\$420 per child). The children's donations can be deposited into this account to be drawn by One More Child for the Global Classmate. Other payment options may be available.



Q What if the child moves away or leaves the program?

A If your child moves away or leaves the sponsorship program for any reason, we will be happy to assign a **new child in need of sponsorship to that grade level**.

Q Can we send physical donations or gifts to our Global Classmate?

A We are not able to send physical donations or gifts for various reasons, but **monetary gifts can be sent for Christmas and birthdays**. Gifts will be purchased for the child in their country.





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Q Will our students and families have an opportunity to sponsor a child of their own?

A Yes! We would love for families to become involved in changing the lives of children around the world by **sponsoring a child of their own**. We will provide fliers that can be sent home with each student so they can pray about whether this is something their families would like to do.

Q Can a grade level sponsor more than one Global Classmate?

A Yes! Any grade level can agree to sponsor as many children as they would like. Just keep in mind that these children will move up through the grade levels. Because children typically mix between classes as they move through the grade levels, we highly recommend **all classes interact with all of the Global Classmates for that grade level each year.**



Q What if our classes raise more money than necessary?

A If your classes raise more money than necessary, they might consider using the funds to provide a **Christmas gift and birthday gift** for their Global Classmates! If the funds are sufficient, you may consider sponsoring an additional Global Classmate. Just keep in mind that we would ask this commitment be kept each year as the students move up through the grade levels.

