

TEN THINGS YOU CAN DO RIGHT NOW TO

## HELP ABOLISH HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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- 1. **Educate yourself about current-day slavery and human trafficking.** Open a free Twitter.com account, and follow tweets on human trafficking and slavery.
- 2. Pray for the relational health of the families in your congregation. Happy and confident children are less susceptible to the allurements of human traffickers.
- 3. **Support your congregation's youth ministry.** Spiritually healthy children are less susceptible to the allurements of human traffickers.
- 4. Visit <u>www.justyellfire.com</u> and teach your children how to escape a potential abductor.
- 5. **Learn the signs of enslavement.** Signs of possible victimization by human traffickers include:
  - Malnutrition, bad teeth
  - Being accompanied by a controlling person or boss
  - Being unable to speak on one's own behalf
  - Lack of control over one's own personal schedule, money, ID, or travel documents
  - Living and working in the same place
  - Living with many people in a cramped living space
  - Indebtedness to an employer or crew leader
  - Inability to leave one's job
  - Fear, depression or over submissiveness
  - Bruises or other signs of physical abuse
  - Lack of appropriate school attendance
- 6. Learn the questions to ask a suspected victim of human trafficking. Appropriate questions include: Where do you live? Who do you live with? Do you have a job? Do you get paid?
- 7. Form an abolitionist club or group on your school campus or in your church congregation.
- 8. If you know someone who may be victimized by human traffickers, call the National Anti-Trafficking Hot-line, 1-888-373-7888, or the Washington Anti-Trafficking Response Network, 206-245-0782.
- 9. Visit the Trafficking in Persons Report from the State Department. Find out which countries are the worst trafficking offenders. Write a letter to their travel bureau and tell them you won't visit their country until they address the issue.
- 10. **Keep sharing the gospel and calling our world to repentance.** Human trafficking will continue as long as there are ungodly people fueling the demand for slaves.