



Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For we are not fighting against flesh and blood enemies but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:11-12

“MATRYOSHKA” INDIA

At my recent trip via Moscow , colourful dolls adorned the shops. I was told they are called Matryoshka which has a Latin root meaning mother. At first appearance it looks like one doll but there are many dolls inside the big doll, sometimes as many as 5 or 6 of varying sizes. Suddenly, I found myself thinking of the Indians who are killing girl babies in the wombs of their mothers- they are killing girls who are life givers- who are vessels for the continuity of humankind. Just like Matryoshka, a woman has been the ability to produce .It is ironic that people are not realising the humongous damage they are causing to the Indian family, society and nation in doing so.

Disha foundation, through its weekly radio programs and multiple outreaches is out and out to change the mindset of the people of India with regard to the girl children and women.

Since many believe that the way to heaven is through a son, with illiteracy and supersition adding fuel to the fire, we are up against an insurmountable situation. Nevertheless, we press on, for we know our battle is not against flesh and blood but against powers of darkness.

Specially during this time when the Church remembers the suffering of Christ which took Him ultimately to the Cross, we believe that we are in a spiritual warfare. We endeavour to share the love of Christ emphasizing that He died for males and females and offers His free gift of salvation to all humankind.

When hurting men and women connect with us through our social outreaches, we are able to show them the way to the Cross and to eternal life. Millions are hungry and thirsty for the Word of God, Please pray for us and our teams as we connect and point to Christ- the hope of all humankind,

God bless you
Sincerely

Mrs. Vinita Shaw
Disha Foundation
Founder/CEO



RADIO BROADCASTS THROUGH ALL INDIA RADIO FM RAINBOW

TOPICS - Trafficked girl story, domestic violence, interview of a College student living in a city that is high on crimes, abortion, gender differences, what is marriage. Valetine day.



Production team in the studio.



Vasudha, sharing her story abuse on the program.

LISTENERS CONNECT

- Disha program is FANTASTIC. We get lot of useful information and good thoughts get into our minds. *Thank you Disha team*
- Please broadcast DISHA program every day of the week. *Suraj (Delhi)*
- Please extend the time of the Disha program. *Rohit (Delhi)*
- Please extend your program timings. *Mohammad Feroz (Rampur)*
- My wife has taken the children and left me because I have accepted Jesus through your broadcast.
- Please pray for me. *Hitesh (Surat)*
- I heard your broadcast. I have been searching the real God. I believe that we have not come into this world just to eat and live and die. I do not have peace. Please guide me. *Pushkar (Mumbai)*



New program coming in APRIL,2017

“Meri Awaz suno”

based on the Journey of a life giver.

Follow up material sent to radio listeners



EDUCATING THE GIRL CHILDREN and GIVING THEM SKILL TRAINING



Neha's parents got married at a very late age when they already had adult children from their first marriages. She was put in the hostel at an early age . Her birthday was not celebrated and each time the warden called her parents on Neha's birthday, they would say, " We do not believe in celebrating girls' birthdays. " At St Michael ,every year Neha's birthday was celebrated with as much gusto as the others girls birthdays are celebrated. As Neha grew, her vision diminished and an eye surgery for both the eyes was recommended by AIIMS. Disha Foundation got her eyes surgery done and now she can see clearly with spectacles on. Neha is very happy.



Asha was suicidal. Having finished with her school education and hostel, when she went back to live in the slums with her parents, her father cursed her day and night. Due to her dark skin, she is not loved by her father who calls her "BLACKIE" Heart broken, Asha grew suicidal. When she shared with Vinita Shaw, Vinita encouraged her to develop a skill. Today, Asha is enrolled at a beauty and hair dressing six months course and is financially supported by Disha Foundation. She is very happy and learning new things every day.



Toshiba is one of the 5 girls who got admission in Good Samaritan school at the very last moment at the urgent request made by Vinita Shaw who personally knows the Principal. It was a miracle.

Although Toshiba is doing very well in the English medium school of Delhi, her first love is designing and tailoring clothes, something that she was taught at the hostel. She steals time away from her studies to tailor these lovely clothes for her cousins. Here she is proudly displaying one dress she made for a relative.

CAREER COUNSELLING AND FUN TIME FOR THE GIRLS

On January 26, Disha Foundation celebrated the Republic day of India. Dr Nelia Chauhan of St John's college, Agra was the Chief guest.



WOMEN CONFERENCE AT NEW DELHI



Mrs. Vinita Shaw was invited to speak at a women's conference at Ashirwad church, Mayur Vihar, New Delhi.

She is seen below with Pastor Sanjay Jha and the Delhi Diocesan Church office bearers.



SUPPORTING WOMEN'S SKILL TRAINING



After 3 years of financially supporting SUR NIRMAN in imparting skill training to hundreds of women in the slums of New Delhi, Disha Foundation has made one final investment by providing them new and better machines and payment of professional teachers so that they can begin to now tailor for marketing. The LEARN and EARN project has now reached its second phase.

Seen in the picture are the Leaders of Sur Nirman and the women who will be earning. The women will come to the center, where machines, material and space will be provided so that they can tailor good quality stuff and earn per piece.

Pray for them as they take off.

MEETINGS WITH VOLUNTEERS AND PRAYER PARTNERS



Dutch partners



The IC members

Mrs Vinita Shaw was invited to Germany to attend the International council meetings of the World Evangelical Alliance from March 1 to 5, 2017. She is here with the IC members.

Prayer requests

1. Please continue to pray for the corporates in India to come and help us with finances
2. Pray for Mrs Vinita Shaw and the radio production teams
3. Pray for our listeners who are connecting with us in great numbers
4. Pray for wisdom and protection of our staff as they visit the listeners
5. Pray for our partners and volunteers who bless us and stand with



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