



Our New Indian Family, the Rajans

Holy Family Academy has begun sponsoring a new family, the Rajans, through the “We Share” program in Kerala, India. Our former family, the Murugans, is in a better position to support themselves thanks to the help they’ve received from us.

The “We Share” program was started by Kathy and David Rennie in 1994 to help the poorest of the poor (formerly called untouchables) with such basic necessities as food, clothing, books, uniforms and medicines. In some cases assistance is given for building or fixing up a house.

The Rajan family converted from Hinduism about two years ago and is thrilled with their new found Catholic faith. Each class in the school composes a letter for the family sharing about their lives, their school, and how their faith is lived out and celebrated. This is a special tool for evangelization as well as an opportunity to grow in a special friendship with the Rajans who also write back to us.

The Rajans have five children but are only able to keep James 12, Mercy 7, and Jennifer 3 at home. The ten year old twins Juliet and Jenet live in the neighboring state of Tamil Nadu in a hostel that gives them food, school supplies, and a place to sleep. Juliet is handicapped from having polio and also has a heart problem.

Our hope at Holy Family Academy is that the Rajan family would be helped enough to allow the fourth grade twins to live at home and to allow a home bigger than their tiny house (one room with a tiny kitchen area).

During Lent our students are holding the Rajans very close to their hearts in prayer, sacrifices and finding ways to earn money to assist them. Thank you for joining your child/children in helping our new family.