

ELCA World Hunger's

# 40 DAYS of Giving

**Choose a program.  
Give a gift.  
Change lives.**



**COUNTRY**

India

**PROJECT FOCUS**

Women's rights

**COMPANION**

Andhra Evangelical  
Lutheran Church, Christian  
Medical Association of India,  
Evangelical Lutheran Church  
in Madhya Pradesh



## THE SITUATION

According to the National Crime Records Bureau of India, a crime against a woman is committed every three minutes in India.

Due to the lack of vocational training and employment opportunities in India, women and girls are vulnerable to situations that could have potentially life-threatening consequences.

In fact, gender inequality in education, employment and social policies can make females more vulnerable to poverty and poor health.

That's why ELCA World Hunger is partnering with our companions in India to protect women's rights and improve the quality of life for all.



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**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

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**RESPONSE + IMPACT**

Through your gifts, our companions can respond to gender inequity by addressing its root causes – violence against women, unequal access to education and income, and lack of quality health care, especially for women living with HIV or AIDS.

Working with our companions – the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Christian Medical Association in India and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh – ELCA World Hunger will support vocational skills and preventive health-training programs and will help raise awareness of gender-based violence and available resources for survivors, such as medical assistance and psychological support. Together, these programs can promote gender justice and equip women with the economic stability they need to leave dangerous situations.

**Join ELCA World Hunger and our companions as we work together for justice in India. Make a gift today.**

*40 Days of Giving is a way for ELCA members to support this church's hunger and poverty ministry during Lent. Choose one of five ELCA World Hunger programs that urgently need support, and walk alongside our neighbors as they address hunger in their communities.*

**HOW TO GIVE**

**ONLINE**

ELCA.org/40days

**BY MAIL**

ELCA, P.O. Box 1809,  
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

*Please make checks payable to "ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving."  
Write the name of the country and project focus, if desired, in the check's memo line.*