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The **International Day of Charity** is observed worldwide to highlight the importance of generosity and humanitarian efforts in reducing poverty and easing hardship. It recognizes the dedication of organizations and individuals who give their time and resources to help others. The day also inspires people to get involved—whether through volunteering, supporting charitable initiatives, or standing up for fairness and social justice. (According to UN; link found [here](#))

One of the ways ICA recognizes fairness and social justice is by supporting **FAIR TRADE.**

By purchasing **Fair Trade** items, you empower families worldwide! How, you might ask?!

Our Fair Trade store, **Jubilee Exchange**, is our proactive measure to assist impoverished families by selling their **Fair Trade items at a Fair Price so they received a Fair Wage.** Allowing these families to receive a fair wage enables them to provide for their families and retain custody and protection for their

children. Many children residing in orphanages are there simply because of poverty while other children are entrapped by unfair child labor practices.

**Fair Trade** is global certification of businesses creating opportunities for economically disadvantaged families. **Fair Trade certification ensures no child or forced labor, safe working conditions, Fair Wages and respect for the environment.**

By connecting with hard-working craftsmen and artisans from around the world, ICA has an in-office store located in our Temecula office, **Jubilee Exchange!** Come shop during office hours.

You can also often find **Jubilee Exchange** in the community at Farmer's Markets, Christmas Boutiques, Church events.

Many children reside in Institutional Care/Orphanages because of poverty. Research proves this is absolutely the worst placement for a child. While not all children residing in orphanages are available for international adoption, there are efforts to shift placement of children to home care.

#### Here are Some Insightful Reads:

[Nearly 138 million children were engaged in child labor in 2024, with 54 million in hazardous work.](#)

[The Sub-Saharan region of Africa continues to carry the heaviest burden, accounting for nearly 2/3 of all children in child labor.](#)

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#### Review these flip books for new initiatives being made:

[Why Children Need Families - Christian Alliance for Orphans](#)

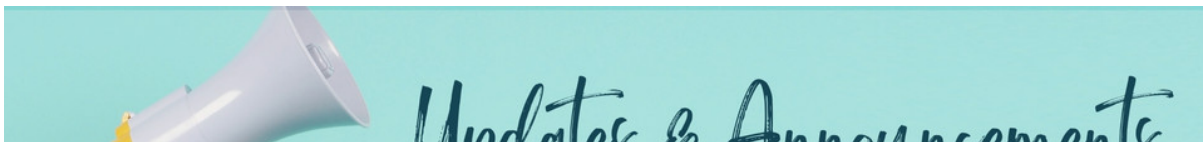
[How Programs are Moving Toward Family Solutions - Christian Alliance for Orphans](#)

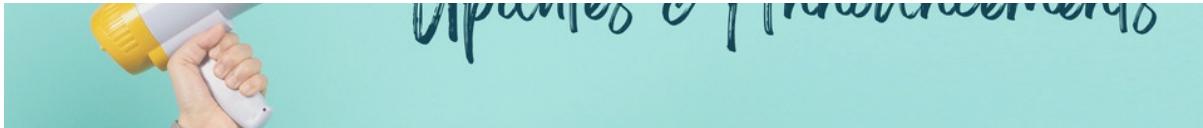


**Watch this video on UPAVIM Crafts in La Esperanza, Guatemala City**



**Chocolate and Coffee industries are notoriously two of the worst offenders abusing children**





ICA was blessed to have the opportunity to attend an [Alliance Pro Workshop](#).

Did you know that ICA Staff are always continuing with education credits and latest welfare practices? Part of being on staff at ICA is continual education of topics related to our positions. This aids our staff in knowing latest situations, practices, resolutions, and resources that are available to us and our families.



- 9/10 – [The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Latino Leadership Conference in Sacramento](#)
- 9/11 & 25 - [Temecula Farmer's Market](#)
- 9/14 – [Gracepoint Adventist Church Outdoor Market](#)
- 9/27 – [Catholic Diocese Annual Ministry Days](#)
- 10/10 – ICA All Staff Trauma Training Seminar
- 10/11 – [ICA Trauma Training Seminar](#)
- 10/17 & 18 - When She Leads Conference in Temecula

*\* Events can be canceled at any time without warning. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. For information on our events please contact ICA directly.*

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Come see us at the [Temecula Sunset Market](#) every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday and learn more about Fair Trade.

You can also stop by our Temecula office and shop at **Jubilee Exchange** and learn more there. Additionally, consider inviting Jubilee Exchange to your church function, event or bizarre.

### Get in Touch

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- Pray for children being victimized by forced labor or enslavement
- Pray for opportunities for ICA staff to educate churches & our community about Fair Trade and its impact
- Pray for International families waiting placement or finalization of adoptions

- Pray for teachers/educators willing to understand complexities of trauma
- Pray for youth & children transitions back-to-school
- Pray for ICA as we develop ways for our foster youth to find employment



By teaching and equipping people to become conscious consumers and use their purchasing power as a means for caring for others, you will discover how you are able to participate in eradicating poverty and do good through ethical trading.

*The goal of the **Jubilee Exchange** store is to advocate for change and development in a variety of countries, cultures, and communities within every continent.*

By educating yourself and others about Fair Trade, you can be **A Voice of Hope for Children Worldwide.**

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