



# INFANT SURVIVAL EVENT FAQs

## WHAT'S THE CHALLENGE?

Encourage families and individuals in your church to commit to giving \$20 per month to rescue, nurture and disciple babies and moms who are living in desperate poverty. Your church's monthly support will save lives by empowering indigenous churches to provide clean water, nutritious food and vitamin supplements to local babies and moms in extreme need. Babies are also given regular medical checkups and needed vaccinations.

Compassion's Child Survival Program is unique in that all care is delivered exclusively through indigenous churches. As mothers in a community see the life-changing impact their local, evangelical church is providing, they open up to the gospel message and come to find hope in Jesus.

In this way, when your church family supports the Child Survival Program, you are saving tender lives today and for eternity as you help make it possible for churches to demonstrate Christ's love in their surrounding communities.

“FOR YOU CREATED  
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AND WONDERFULLY  
MADE”

PSALM 139:13-14A, NIV

## WHAT SHOULD I DO FIRST?

1. Sign up at [compassion.com/SaveInfants](http://compassion.com/SaveInfants).
2. Check out the tools and resources available to you at [compassion.com/InfantResources](http://compassion.com/InfantResources). Some are available for download right away. We will also mail you:
  - c. Child Survival Program packets
  - d. A 24"x36" table top sign
  - e. A 24"x36" poster
  - f. A Compassion FAQ card
3. Questions? Call our church team at 866-607-5162.



## WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE MY EVENT?

### PROMOTE YOUR EVENT

In the weeks leading up to your event, make announcements and find a few key volunteers to take ownership of your Child Survival event. Use the sample bulletin copy that's available for download at [compassion.com/InfantResources](http://compassion.com/InfantResources). Once you receive your event kit, display the 24"x36" poster to draw attention to your Compassion Child Survival station.

### PREPARE YOUR MESSAGE OR SERMON

You will find several supporting resources at [compassion.com/InfantResources](http://compassion.com/InfantResources), including a facts and stats sheet, a songs and hymns sheet, photos and stories of babies and mothers, as well as videos you can show your congregation as part of your service. These resources are designed to take your congregants on a spiritual journey that will prepare them to act in Jesus' name.

### SET-UP AND STAFF YOUR COMPASSION STATION

We have found the best place to position your station is near the entrance by the door, where people can easily find it as they leave the worship service.

1. For ease of sign up, it may be helpful to have two tables: one table for the packets and one table for the sign-up process. Once a donor has picked up a packet, he/she can move to the sign-up table to fill out the form.
2. Display the Child Survival Program packets on the table.
3. The sign-up table should be uncluttered and free of anything other than pens for filling out the form.
4. Collect completed forms in one envelope and keep in a secure place. There is confidential financial information on each form, so it is important to diligently protect this sensitive information.
5. Volunteers should be at the table immediately after the service ends to help people sign up. Refer to the Compassion FAQ card to answer any questions about Compassion.

## WHAT HAPPENS DURING MY EVENT?

### VIDEOS

Check out the videos at [compassion.com/InfantResources](http://compassion.com/InfantResources); feel free to share one with your congregation during the service.

### PRESENTATION

Encourage people to visit the Child Survival station so they can begin rescuing vulnerable babies and moms from desperate poverty.



## SPONSORSHIP STATION

Be ready to field questions. Common questions typically include:

- Q. How much is a monthly Child Survival Program partnership?
  - A. \$20 per month
- Q. If I pay by credit card or debit card but do not want to have monthly recurring payments, what happens?
  - A. You will receive a monthly statement from Compassion.
- Q. How will my monthly partnership contribution be used?
  - A. Through your support, trained Survival Specialists will conduct regular home visits with babies and mothers to provide prenatal care, training, education, encouragement, and spiritual nurturing. In addition, church-based programs will provide nutritious food and supplements, health care, immunizations and income-generating opportunities.
- Q. Where can I get more information about the specific Child Survival Program I am supporting?
  - A. You will receive a letter from the pastor of the church who hosts the Child Survival Program you are supporting, as well as a letter from a mom who attends that program. Compassion will also send you an annual update.

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER MY EVENT?

Return forms immediately after the event. Send back all completed forms along with the payments you receive in the return envelope with the prepaid FedEx label. Drop off the envelope at any FedEx Ground location or go to [fedex.com](http://fedex.com) to arrange a pick-up. NOTE: Please only use FedEx Ground shipping service.

Please do not send back display materials or leftover Child Survival Program packets. The cost of return postage is higher than the cost of reprinting.

## CELEBRATE!

Share the results of your event with your church family. It's important to take time to acknowledge and celebrate the way you have honored God by serving babies and moms in poverty.

## IS COMPASSION AN ORGANIZATION MY CHURCH CAN TRUST?

Compassion takes financial stewardship seriously. Over 80 percent of Compassion's total expenditures are used for program activities, with less than 20 percent used for fundraising and administration.



Compassion consistently receives high ratings for financial accountability and integrity. Charity Navigator, America's largest charity evaluator, has awarded Compassion its highest rating – four stars – for 12 consecutive years, placing Compassion in the top 1 percent of all U.S. charities.