

# CHURCH NOTICES



Contact the editor of your church bulletin, magazine or newsletter as soon as you have confirmed the date for your Compassion Sunday event. Ask if they would include information about your upcoming Compassion Sunday presentation and the work that Compassion is doing.

You can provide them with the prepared Church Bulletin Insert (available at [CompassionSunday.com/resources](http://CompassionSunday.com/resources)). Or, use the Compassion logo and photos to add visual interest to your own write-up. (These are available for download from [CompassionSunday.com/resources](http://CompassionSunday.com/resources)).

Don't forget to include your contact details as well as the time and date of your Compassion Sunday event.

A graphic for a church bulletin insert with a white background and a thin orange border. It features the Compassion Sunday logo at the top. The main text is a quote from Proverbs 31:8 (NIV): "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves..." Below this is a paragraph explaining the purpose of the event: "Today you will hear about children living in poverty. When God tells us to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, he's talking about them." A small photo shows a young girl in a grey sweater looking at a map. Another paragraph asks, "But how? How do you speak up for children in places you might struggle to find on a map?" and provides instructions: "You simply raise your voice. Raise your hand. Speak up, like 9-year-old Anahi's sponsors did. When the couple decided to sponsor the vulnerable Bolivian girl, they made a proclamation: **Poverty will not win.**" A final paragraph says, "Today is Compassion Sunday. At the sponsorship table you will find photos of boys and girls who need you. They need you to choose them, to support them, to sponsor them. To give them a voice. Will you speak up and tell a child, 'I see you. And I will not let poverty steal your life?'" It concludes with "Say 'YES!' Sponsor a child today." and the website [Visit.compassion.com/yourchildtoday](http://Visit.compassion.com/yourchildtoday). The Compassion logo is at the bottom right.

## Suggested text for use before your event:

Our church is participating in Compassion Sunday on [date] at [time/service]. This is a national event that helps us grow in our understanding of God's very special love for the poor. It's also an opportunity for each of us to interrupt the cycle of poverty and make a difference in the life of at least one child.

For more information, contact [your name] at [your telephone and/or email address] or visit [CompassionSunday.com](http://CompassionSunday.com)

## Suggested text for use on the day of your event:

Today, a child needs you to help release him or her from poverty. Each one of us has the opportunity to respond to this call on Compassion Sunday. After the service, visit the Compassion sponsorship table in [give location] where you can view packets showing boys and girls who need a sponsor right now. This is your opportunity to release a child from poverty in Jesus' name. You will give that child a future and hope through the loving intervention of a Christ-centered program run by a local church in their neighborhood.

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