## St Veronica Welfare Committee P.O. BOX 5098, West End 4101 JANUARY – MARCH 2025

APPEAL FOR FUNDS TO ASSIST THE BETHANY JEEVAN JOTHY SPECIAL SCHOOL IN MARDALA, INDIA, PURCHASE A SMALL BUS TO TRANSPORT DIFFERENTIALLY ABLED CHILDREN AND YOUTH PRESENTLY ISOLATED AT HOME TO AND FROM SCHOOL EACH SCHOOL DAY.

Currently 75 mentally and / or physically disabled students benefit from the educational and vocational training, sport, medical support and physiotherapy provided at the Bethany Jeevan Special School. In addition to a regular educational curriculum, students enjoy yoga, art and craft, and dance and learn computer data entry, tailoring, palm plate and candle making as well as mushroom, flower and vegetable cultivation. Such skills can provide them with an income and help them take care of themselves. In past years students have participated in the Paralympics with two winning medals in team sports. An 18-year-old current student was selected for coaching for the 2024 Paralympics floor and volley ball.

The Special School is the sole school for disabled students in the Dakshina Kannada district of Karnataka. Unfortunately, there is no accessible transport for residents living more than 30 kilometers from the school and some disabled children and youth are isolated at home. The purpose of this appeal is to raise funds for the purchase a small bus for transport to and from the school, where the facilities can alleviate both their physical symptoms and incapacity, plus provide a means of independence and self-sufficiency for older students to become contributing members of society.











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