Launched in 1944, World Relief works in 20 nations on five continents, practicing principles of transformational development to empower local churches to serve the vulnerable in their communities. With initiatives in education, health, child development, agriculture, food security, anti-trafficking, immigrant services, economic development, disaster response and refugee resettlement, World Relief works holistically with the local church in the United States and abroad to stand for the sick, the widow, the orphan, the alien, the displaced, the devastated, the marginalized, and the disenfranchised.

In the United States:

In 2004, World Relief launched an initiative in the Southeastern United States to educate the public on trafficking indicators, provide trainings for community service agencies, offer emergency services to victims of trafficking, and facilitate strategic partnerships between churches and service providers. World Relief continues to expand these services to a growing number of survivors and service areas across the United States. World Relief and its partners train thousands of community residents to identify victims of trafficking in their neighborhoods each year. When potential victims are identified, World Relief partners with law enforcement after rescue to help survivors rebuild their lives and restore hope and dignity through comprehensive rehabilitation services.

In Cambodia:

Focusing on community level prevention efforts, World Relief educates communities, churches and village leaders about the dangers of trafficking across five provinces in Cambodia. World Relief empowers villages by providing strategies for community action to prevent trafficking and reduce people’s vulnerability to trafficking. The key to Cambodia’s anti-trafficking program is a church-led, integrated approach to trafficking prevention. Local cell churches are trained and equipped to pass on messages of trafficking prevention to community and church members. World Relief has a wide network of programs that reach children, youth and adults. Anti-trafficking education is integrated into all of these programs.

In Indonesia:

World Relief’s goal in Indonesia is to see the local church and communities generate a united and active response to the injustices of slavery and trafficking of persons among the poorest rural communities of the East Nusa Tenggara (NTT), West Nusa Tenggara (NTB) and Papua provinces. Additionally, World Relief’s work with churches is serving to educate key community
members who can work to protect those at risk. World Relief’s connection with community leaders provides a venue for advocacy that will result in community-level action and change.

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