As confirmed during its 2015 General Convention, The Episcopal Church is committed to the prevention and protection of victims of human trafficking and urges members to support legislation, and engage in all actions possible, to promote the rescue and recovery of victims of human trafficking.

Please become involved. Together we CAN bring the victims home. Contact:

The National Human Trafficking Hotline
888-373-7888
ITEMP Hotline
701-255-7956

For further information, please visit our website:
www.ndepiscopal.org

The Response of Adults

BECAUSE YOU LOVE YOUR CHILDREN

1) Order a “Child ID Kit” for each child from www.ChildIDProgram.com in the unlikely event your child goes missing.

2) Begin talking with your children now, especially your teens, about human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

3) And keep on talking with your children. Be open about your love and concern for their well-being. Set limits, tell them what they are, and explain why you have them.

4) Pray as a family for the victims so they can safely return home soon.

5) Learn what you don’t know so you and your loved ones can stay on top of the quickly-growing human trafficking problem.

The National Human Trafficking Hotline
888-373-7888 www.PolarisProject.org

ITEMP: The ‘Institute for Trafficked, Exploited & Missing Persons’
701-255-7956 www.ITEMP.org

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“When The Good Run From The Bad, The Bad Win. Let’s Not Run.”
- Patrick Atkinson

Today’s Life Series

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND TEENS

Institute for Trafficked, Exploited & Missing Persons

ITEMP is a sub-program of the North Dakota founded international charity,
The GOD’S CHILD Project
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WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF...
someone took your child, stamped a price tag on her back, and sold her to the highest bidder...

20-30 million people worldwide, mostly children and women, are trapped in slavery. Also called Human Trafficking, slavery is the illegal trade of people for exploitation or commercial gain.

Human Trafficking is much more common than most people believe. It exists in every state and major city in the U.S. It entraps a new victim every 90 seconds.

FOCUS ON PREVENTION

With Young Children
Teach the basic facts young children need to be safe: their and their parents’ full names, home address, phone numbers, how and when to call 911, and 3 trusted adults they can call if they feel scared.

Write this information down and keep it where your child can access it (i.e., on the refrigerator).

With Children Starting School
Create and practice “what-if” situations like if your child became lost, or when a stranger knocks on the door.

Visit your child’s route to and from school and point out dangerous areas to be avoided, and safe places to go if they feel scared.

Encourage your children to walk with friends.

Be sure they know to never accept a ride from a stranger.

Teach them that if anyone tries to grab or touch them in a way they don’t want, they should resist by kicking, screaming, running away, and drawing attention from others.

They need to know it’s okay to ask law enforcement and security guards for help.

With Teens
Discuss what social profiles they can create, and what information is safe to publically share. Talk about proper and improper photos and comments, and explain why. Be sure they understand NOTHING is ever completely deleted from the internet.

Take computers out of bedrooms and put them in a public area of your home.

THE THREE FACES OF SLAVERY

For Forced Labor: Forced labor generates U.S. $150 billion in illegal profits per year and includes illegal domestic, agriculture, construction, manufacturing and entertainment work, including debt bondage. Children, women, migrants, and indigenous peoples are particularly vulnerable.

For Sex: Includes sexual massage, prostitution, pornography and strip clubs. In America alone, nearly 3,000,000 adults and 100,000 children are forced to work as prostitutes.

For Body Parts: Black market adoptions and illegal organ harvesting.

IS IT HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

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TRAFFICKING

Boy... Girl... Man... Woman... Infant... Elderly
Rich... Poor... Middle Class... 1%er... 50%er
Bismarck... Bangkok... Dunseith... Moscow
One Parent... Two Parent... Three Parents... More

If you can imagine it, someone wants and is willing to pay for it. No one, regardless of sex, age, race, location, or socio-economic status, is free from the risks of human trafficking. Together we can fight human trafficking by educating, and creating safer environments for our children and communities.