



## Sample Orphan Sunday Announcement

Today is Orphan Sunday – the day where churches around the world recognize God’s call to care for orphans and vulnerable children.

James 1:27 (ESV) says this:

*“Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.”*

We’re partnering with GlobalFingerprints, the child sponsorship program of the Evangelical Free Church of America, to break the cycle of poverty and transform lives through child sponsorship. To help you get a glimpse of the impact sponsorship, watch this brief video about the work GlobalFingerprints is doing to care for children in poverty through the local church.

### **[Show video]**

One simple way for us to help orphans and vulnerable children in their affliction is through sponsorship. For \$35 per month your gift will make sure these kids can go to school, get the food they need and hear about Jesus in a local church. Think about how easily we can free up \$35 a month by giving up a specialty coffee one day a week or going out to dinner one less time per month.

Our goal as a church is to sponsor \_\_\_\_ children in \_\_\_\_\_. (Bring up text response slide on screen) As you saw in the video, all you need to do is text the word “sponsor” to 22999 and you will receive a link on your phone to sponsor a child. This is the one time we actually want you to pull your phone out in a service!

So, please change a life by sponsoring a child and we’ll let you know next week how many children we have sponsored together.