



FOCUS

**EDUCATIONAL,
SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL**

LOCATION

DEHRADUN, NORTH INDIA

LEADERS

KEREN THOMAS

**OUR MINIMUM
ANNUAL TARGET**

£3000

This primary school in Raipur with around 50 children was established twelve years ago and like the school in Jakhan is situated in a slum area. An additional class is added each year to this school and the mind-set of the parents in the context of education is, like the school at Jakhan, being steadily changed. The children at the school are provided with a meal at lunchtime each day. They come from a very poor background and the meal is not only an essential part of their physical well-being but is a real motivational factor in encouraging regular attendance.

Sam Thomas and his wife Margaret moved to Dehradun, North India in 1986, Since then they have been involved in holistic Christian ministry where they have been totally committed to their local church while developing a whole variety of social projects within the community.

Sam and Margaret have a real heart for the needs of those around them. North India is far less economically advanced than the south. Although India is a fast developing global economic power, over 40% of the poorest people in the world live in India.

Sam and Margaret's daughter, Keren, who has a university degree and has specialised in education, is now responsible for the leadership of this school and is very innovative in encouraging the children to learn.

