



“Free Them” 5K Fun Run to Help End Human Trafficking

Hundreds of people will take a stand against human trafficking on May 2, as they walk or run to raise money and awareness. Seattle-based humanitarian organization World Concern is hosting the “Free Them” 5k fun run. Proceeds will benefit the organization’s programs to stop trafficking.

Spirit 105.3 plans to broadcast live from the event, which is scheduled to run from approximately 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Anti-trafficking experts will be available to speak about their experiences and about the value of intervention into the lives of vulnerable people.

By many estimates, more than one million vulnerable women and children are trafficked every year. They are treated as property, sold for a price, and used as laborers or sex workers. Often the victims of trafficking are children who are seeking a better life in another country. Traffickers will promise women and children that good jobs await, but in the end, the victims find that the promises were all lies.

World Concern works to prevent trafficking through community awareness, education and strengthening the ability for families to support themselves. If a mom can provide an income for her children, she will be less likely to make decisions that endanger herself or her children. World Concern’s trafficking prevention work is primarily focused on Southeast Asia. Our projects in Thailand and in the countries bordering Thailand have benefitted thousands of people since 2006.

Our goal is to relieve human suffering and to bring hope and reconciliation to the people we serve. Our inspiration and motivation comes from Jesus. We provide opportunities to the poor, focusing on basic needs, sustainable livelihoods and family stability. World Concern touches the lives of more than 6 million people.

Event Details

What: “Free Them” 5k Fun Run and Walk. It’s a benefit for World Concern’s anti-human trafficking programs.

When: Saturday, May 2. Begins at 9:30 am, ends around 11:00 am.

Where: CRISTA Ministries Campus

19303 Fremont Ave. N
Seattle, WA 98133

Why: More than 1 million vulnerable people are trafficked every year, forced into unfair work environments, to become servants or sex slaves

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