

JARON MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

Dear supporter,

Human trafficking is reality for every community in the Central Valley. Victims include men, women, and children who have either grown up here in our own neighborhoods or have come in our community from other countries, believing that they are finding legitimate work for a better life.



I am humbled to have had the opportunity to be part of the solution for the last five years as part of a local, faith-based organization, Central Valley Justice Coalition, whose mission is to empower the community to bring holistic and lasting change in the lives of those affected by human trafficking. It has been a joy to see what has been accomplished, in the building of relationships with the church and with organizations and the results we have seen just in five years, including rescues that have come from greater awareness and increase in support for survivors. Currently, I have been developing a local resource directory of services available to human trafficking survivors in each of the counties in the Central Valley.

In order to more fully invest myself in this work, I have joined with one of our partner organization, JARON Ministries, as a full-time ministry worker in the area of social justice ministries. JARON (Jesus' Ambassadors Reaching Out To Nations) exists to equip believers to teach, disciple, counsel, encourage and facilitate fellow Christians and through those leaders reach and serve others for Christ. I'm excited to be on the social justice team and help spearhead human trafficking response efforts.

Not only will this include my ministry with Central Valley Justice Coalition, but it will involve networking nationally, attending conferences, and ministering internationally to churches and other faith based organizations through awareness with training. I also plan to continue my

project Global Love Shopping, an online resource to facilitate ethical shopping and efforts to address labor trafficking. As a certified massage therapist, another goal is to work with survivors doing trauma massage therapy as part of aftercare and also provide therapeutic massage therapy for aftercare workers.

Outside of human trafficking work, I plan to pursue my other vocation as an artist. I am focused on relational aesthetics, artwork that involves the community in the creation of the artwork.

I would like to ask you to consider support, through prayer, finances, possible connections, or other means. I would be happy to meet with you or communicate in whatever ways that work best for you. I am also eager to meet with groups that may be interested in knowing more and possibly supporting me in some way. I can provide a multimedia presentation that can include education on local human trafficking issues and empowerment at a length most appropriate to the attendees.

If you would like to be on my mailing list and be involved in some type of support, please fill out the [online response form here](#). I will send a monthly email to supporters with prayer points and highlights. Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

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"Emergence," mixed media, a interactive art piece created for Freedom Week 2012 in Fresno and inspired by the hope of freedom realized for individuals and community through Jesus and His work of reconciliation