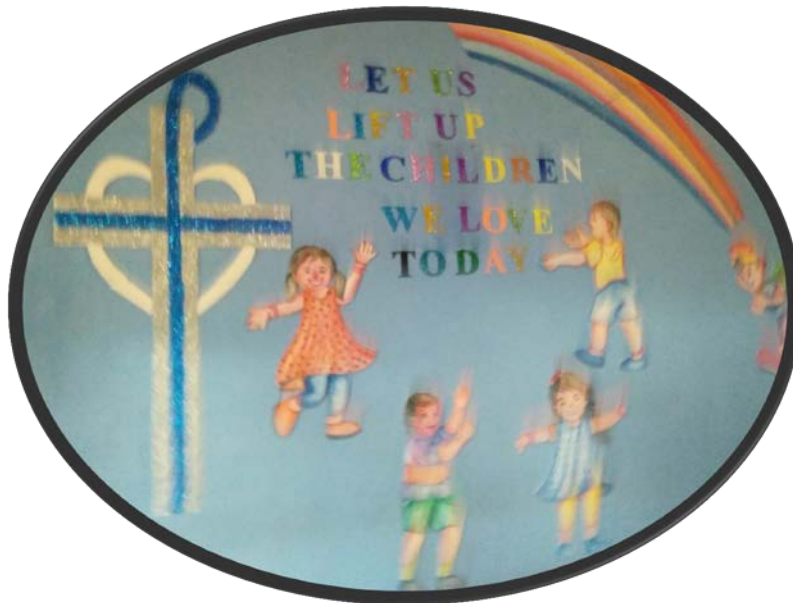


**Launch of Community Based  
Child Protection programme in the  
Tea Estates, Sri Lanka, 2018**

**A dream becomes real!**

For many years Good Shepherd Sisters worked hard to provide opportunities to uplift the lives of the people in the Tea Estates. This time a different approach was used, which extended the Good Shepherd service, and introduced different aspects, in the Walawe and Waleboda Estates in Balangoda and Hallina Estate in Kahawatta.





Initially Good Shepherd Sisters in Sri Lanka initiated the programme of Child focused community development in Sinapaduwa on 31st July 2017. While this programme is progressing well towards its goal, we were able to initiate another in the tea plantation. We are so grateful to Good Shepherd Sisters UK, OAK Foundation, Good Shepherd International Foundation in Rome, and Asia Pacific Regional manager for extending their generous contribution and enabling this dream to become a reality.



The inauguration of Waleboda and Walawa Estates in Balangoda was held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018. Our effort here is to establish a safety net for children while motivating the community regarding the protection and wellbeing of the children. Staff in this area are making great efforts and rendering tireless service to reach our aim.

**Photos below of the Inauguration of  
Hallina Estate Kahawatta on 10th March 2018**



**Our wish and prayer**

**Our wish and prayer is that we may create a child friendly safety atmosphere for our children and extend our service to more and more in the future.**

***Sr. Lakshmi Fernando***