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Matthew 5:9

Thursdays in Black

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Pringle Home for Children is a place of hope, healing, and care for girls ages 6-18 operated by UCJCI in partnership with Jamaica’s Child Protection and Family Services Agency. Girls who come to live at Pringle Home do so after being removed from their families of origin, homes, and communities. That is due primarily to witnessing and/or personally experiencing abuse (most often gender-based) and/or neglect. The Thursdays in Black movement is becoming part of their experience of healing, of reclaiming their stories as survivors, of resurrecting hope and being empowered to speak up and stand up for a future free from rape and violence for all girls and women in Jamaica, the Caymans, the Caribbean, and the world.

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