



Living Hope

FOR CHILDREN

Encourage. Equip. Give Hope.

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Dear Friends,

As we celebrate 20 years of God's faithfulness, thank you for partnering with us to provide hope to orphans and vulnerable children. This is a picture of hope realized:

At the age of four, this smiling young woman came to our program after her mother passed away. Her father, who was blinded by inadequate medical care, could no longer care for D and her siblings due to his disability. D entered our program as a preschooler, and **after fifteen years of sponsorship**, she is finishing her final year at our new Hope High School and preparing to enter university to pursue an education degree.

Hope transformed D's life. Our social worker informs us that in addition to a high-quality education, in our program D was "able to find a safe place to stay, caring social workers, food to eat, clothes to wear, and to attend Bible study sessions in a loving environment where she is thriving. She has become a "very confident young adult, able to express herself, and is hopeful for what the future holds for her." Her father shares that "he would never have been able to provide for his children if they didn't find sponsorship, and he is grateful to God for this blessing."

What a difference child sponsorship has made for D!

D's big smile exemplifies our vision for orphaned and vulnerable children in Uganda. This story of hope and transformation isn't limited to D, it's a story we see over and over with each child we bring into our ministry. **Thanks to you, a record-breaking 988 Hope Kids are now benefiting from our program, bringing hope to the hurting.** I can't stress enough how essential your gifts are to making a difference in the lives of the children.

More and more children like D are in desperate need of support as 41% of people in Uganda live in poverty, and almost half of its population is under the age of 15. We long to see each helpless child in Uganda smiling, fed, and learning to give them a better future. We want every child to hear how precious they are in God's sight.

We are asking you to help us show God's love and provide His hope to orphans and vulnerable children in the communities we serve.



*But God will never forget the needy;
the hope of the afflicted will never perish.*

Psalm 9:18



We celebrate these highlights of giving hope in 2024 made possible by your gifts

- With the help of our staff in Uganda, our 988 sponsored children receive safe shelter, nutritious food, health care, and quality education – impacting them today and generationally for their future. An amazing 46 students graduated from university and vocational school, joining over 234 graduates from our program.
- Our Hope High School opened for 361 sponsored children! This meets a critical need for growth as our four elementary schools feed into our one high school. Our BUILD HOPE campaign is ongoing for our priority need of permanent classrooms.
- Seeking to develop students who know, love and serve Jesus, our discipleship efforts deepened with daily Bible reading and school-led prayer and praise, weekly memory verses and small group Bible study, and a Sunday gathering. Our capstone program, Rooted, greatly impacted 21 students transitioning from high school to university.
- Health and wellness initiatives were performed encompassing education and screenings, nutrition, immunizations, mental health and physical education.
- A key value of our ministry is financial accountability. Our partner in Uganda, Hope Partners Africa, received an unqualified opinion once again on their 2023 audit report. Living Hope for Children continues to receive exemplary ratings by charity assessment organizations.

I have great news to share with you today! Once again, generous partners have stepped forward with a **matching gift of \$45,000!** Won't you help us match this amount with your continued support this season? **Your gift today will allow us to have TWICE the impact in supporting children in need.**



You can continue to provide hope to the children in our program by donating online at livinghopeforchildren.org or by responding with the reply card enclosed with this letter. **If you have appreciated stock and would like to donate it to the ministry, we have a tax-advantaged way for you to do so, by December 20th please.** Email info@livinghopeforchildren.org for details.

We thank you in advance for partnering with us as we continue to reach even more orphans and vulnerable children in Uganda in the name of Jesus.

Peggy Walding
Board Chair

P.S. Does your employer offer a match for charitable giving? If so, you can significantly increase your impact! Donate through your work's matching program to see your gift grow even larger.



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