

House of Hope

Food, Clothing, Shelter, Education, Christian Love—A Future—A Smile on Their Faces

Sierra Leone, West Africa



Suzanne and Carolynn with Pastors Abdul and Faith Conteh and House of Hope children, April, 2008

Plans for the House of Hope

1. Furnish and equip the house.
2. Assist with basic, educational, and medical expenses of 30 orphans through monthly sponsorships.
3. Promote economic and social development of the surrounding community and the integration of the children in the community.
4. Teach and demonstrate Christian faith and values.
5. Enclose the compound and begin cultivation of food crops to reduce costs, improve food security and nutrition, and generate income. (Two grown orphans have completed agricultural training.)
6. Involve the children in raising chickens and possibly ducks, rabbits, or goats to increase protein intake, generate income, and train the children.
7. Provide educational resources and vocational training.
8. Work toward self-sustaining family and community-based care that can meet long-term needs.

Sierra Leone Briefing:

- The nation was ravaged by a brutal, civil war that ended in 2002.
- The United Nations estimates that there are over 350,000 child orphans in Sierra Leone.
- Of every 1,000 children born in Sierra Leone each year, 262 die before age five (2009 U.N. statistics).
- Sierra Leone ranks 143 out of 146 on Save the Children's "2008 Mothers Day Report Card: the Best and Worst Countries to Be a Mother."
- On the United Nations 2009 Human Development Index, Sierra Leone ranks 180 out of 182.
- Orphans, who often become street children, lack proper sanitation, food, potable water, medical care and clothing. Many of those on the street have been sold into the sex trade.
- The educational system in Sierra Leone is poor and many children are left out.
- According to UNICEF, 43% of the population does not have access to safe drinking water.
- 27% of children under age five are moderately underweight and 8% are severely underweight.



Art with children, Dr. David Kisinger, and Mary, Principal of St. Monica's School, at the new House of Hope location in the village of Tardi. Oct. 2008. The children were reunited in the new home in November, 2009.



Please help put smiles on their faces and hope in their hearts.

Learn more of the story on our website www.fwwoc.org/hope.htm.

How You Can Help

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| • Sponsor a child | \$30 per month |
| • Provide furnishings or equipment | \$15 to \$1000 |
| • Supply seed and agricultural supplies | \$50 or more |
| • Buy materials and supplies for raising Livestock | \$50 or more |
| • Provide educational resources | \$25 or more |
| • Contribute to vocational training fund | \$25 or more |
| • Contribute to rainwater harvesting project | \$25 or more |
| • Tell others about House of Hope | No cost |

100% of your tax-deductible contribution will be sent to House of Hope. Make checks payable to "Faith Walk World Outreach Center—House of Hope." Online giving will be coming soon. Contact: Art and Suzanne Pitz Ministries. (309) 736-0840 or suzanne@professorshouse.net

Thank you