

AUGUST 2011

VILLAGE OF HOPE



AERIAL PHOTO TAKEN OF THE
"VILLAGE" IN MAY

See what God has done!

It is amazing to think that less than 3 years ago, all of this was BUSH! Today we have 154 orphans and over 80 staff and their families living at the Village.

Currently the Secondary School is near completion, and the newest home "Victory" has 36 boys living in it. The 7th home is underway and the water tank is up and running, providing much needed water to the entire Village.



Secondary School



"Victory" home



Water Tank

VOH TAKES FIRST PLACE



Joyce (on the left) leads the girls in dancing. Fred and Peter (below) play the flute as they practice for the competition



For a little guy, Charles can sure play the drums



For weeks the children practiced for the community-wide Music and Dance competition. They competed in 10 different categories including: dance, instrumental, chorus, drama, and speech. They were so excited to take FIRST PLACE! The following week they went to the next level of competition and took seventh place. We were all so proud of them.

Hard to believe these children lived in IDP camps all of their lives with little to no education. God has brought them a long way!

Extend Hope



February 2012 YOU have the opportunity to **“Extend” Hope** to another 108 children by moving them to the “Village”.

The government will only allow us to move children to the Village at the beginning of every school year, which is February.

What will it take?

It will cost \$260,000 to: build staff homes, toilets, bathing areas, school library/office, food store room; furnish 3 more home and the Secondary School, hire more teachers, house mom’s and on top of that...feed and clothe the 108 children for 1 year. **And 108 children need sponsors.**

Is this an impossible task?

Yes, for man, but not for God. We have seen God provide for our children every step of the way. And we believe He will do that again through the faithful and generous gifts of our children’s friends like YOU.

Would you please pray and ask God what He would have YOU do to “Extend” Hope? Maybe it is having a dinner at your home and inviting friends to watch our DVD, or sharing VOH at your church, maybe it is digging deep or giving a gift towards this project. Whatever He asks of you...please pray for our kids. Whatever God asks you to do, I KNOW He will bless it!



CINDY VISITS IDP CAMPS

It is always difficult for me to visit the IDP camps. They constantly ask me “When do we get to move to the Village?” What do I say, “The Secondary School is funded, 3 more homes are funded... but we can’t afford to feed you.”?



US TEAMS

We were blessed to have 11 teams come and visit our children since April. They taught hygiene, Bible stories, how to care for books, knitting, read books, counseled, trained staff, and held Bible studies with the house mom’s. It was a blessing for not only our kids and staff but for each person that gave their time and love. Thank you!



TIE & DYE

Our child mothers (young girls abducted, raped and now raising their children on their own) are learning to tie dye and sew. They are making beautiful bags, aprons, scarfs, and napkins.

We sell them wherever Cindy speaks. They are also available on the website. All the profits go to start other micro economic projects.

NOTE FROM CINDY

I got back from another great trip in Uganda on July 6th. One week later Janet (bead manager & friend) & I went to Illinois and Wisconsin to speak about our VOH children. While there I had a very serious case of malaria. My fever spiked so high that it caused me to have a seizure and I was rushed to the hospital. Thank God Janet was with me and took great care of me. I am now home in Dallas recovering. My body is still very weak. Please continue to pray that God would completely heal me.

"The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me and my place of safety. He is my refuge, my savior, the one who saves me from violence." II Samuel 22: 2-3

Cindy (founder & director)



SUSAN (VOH NURSE) AND
JUDITH (HEAD MOM)

OUR BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN



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