# KAMASHI ORPHANAGE

#### More than Saving Children's Lives

It's our goal to not only produce the best educated young adults in the country, but to send them forth with purpose and a challenge to make a difference in their country. As the teachers and staff pour themselves into these previously hopeless children, they are transformed into dedicated Christians and contributing members of society, with hope, purpose and destiny.

#### **Blessing the Children International**

We are committed to helping children change the future. When you take the poorest and most hopeless children of a society and equip them with the tools and opportunities to succeed, you can make the greatest possible impact on that society. By this method of transforming the factors most negatively impacting a statistic into ones that most positively impact that same statistic, the effect is tremendous and long lasting.

But we cannot do this without your help. When we link the needs of children with caring supporters, it is our ministry and privilege, to see that the relationship is strong. We do everything we can to insure the supporting organization or individual is fulfilled in their sponsorship and that the children receive only the best of care and education.

The Kamashi Orphanage is operated directly by Blessing the Children International staff and employees. Therefore, we can report to our donors with complete accuracy. We're not just raising funds for a foreign partner ministry, we know where every dollar goes.

We believe in striving for Excellence in everything, starting with our communications to you, our donor. We practice this same excellence in the education and care of the children. Each child in the orphanage is lovingly cared for, as they are nurtured to become all they can be. Because we are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, your contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law.



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## Project Sponsorship



MAKE A SIGNIFICANT
DIFFERENCE WITH
PROJECT SPONSORSHIP!

#### What kind of a world would it be if:

- Annual per capita income were \$100/year?
- > 2 out of 3 adults could not read nor write?
- Nearly 1 in 5 children died before age 5?
- > 76% of school-aged children didn't attend?

#### These are not the statistics of the Dark Ages, they are present today!

There remains – in this modern world which we live, with all of its technology and power – a country where the above statistics still exist. These are the real-life living conditions of Ethiopia, Africa.

Over 62 million people live in Ethiopia. So, the question begs to be asked, what can possibly be done to make a difference? As the saying goes:

"How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time."

So too with this great need. It can be addressed one life at a time. Through the Kamashi Orphanage, we are able to provide more than hope, but a real future for 500 lives. Thousands of other lives are improved in the families and communities of the children and staff, not to mention the generations to come.



The Kamashi Orphanage is a home of love and a school of excellence, providing hope and security to 500 orphaned or abandoned children.

The home was established in response to a plea from the Christian president of

the Benishangul-Gumuz region of Ethiopia, President Yaregal Aysheshim. His heart aches for the many orphans and abandoned children in his region, but his government doesn't have the resources to help them.

#### **Big Projects Come at a Price**

At the Kamashi Orphanage, it's a challenge to provide for feeding, clothing, housing and educating 500 children. Raising kids in any culture is expensive, but we are able to minimize a lot of expenses.

For example, we can provide a child:

- ... a hot, nutritious meal for just 36¢.
- ... a quality education for less than 32¢ a day.
- ... a complete school uniform for \$15.64.
- ... a pair of black leather dress shoes for just \$9.67.

But even little expenses add up. That 34¢ meal when multiplied by 500 children is \$180 per meal. With three meals a day, that becomes \$16,729 per month.

#### Meeting a Specific Need

Perhaps you or your organization would prefer giving to specific needs. Your designated gift can:

Provide 500 exercise books for school children .....\$125 Provide shampoo, soap & more for 100 children.....\$302 Provide the fuel for electricity for a full month ......\$775 Provide new shoes for 100 children .....\$967 Provide 28 children a teacher for a full year......\$2,600 Provide 100 new beds for children to sleep .......\$3,011 Provide 10,000 meals to feed the children ......\$3,667 Provide 500 complete school uniforms.....\$7,820

#### **Monthly Project Sponsorship**

Organizations, churches and individuals who send a monthly gift to the ministry, supporting the overall project, are the backbone of this ministry. Through their giving, we are able to meet special needs as they arise. These donations marked "Where needed most" are a critical element in making this ministry possible.

Perhaps you, your church, your company or your organization might consider a monthly gift of \$200, \$500, \$800, \$1,200 or more. What ever the amount, large or small, it all adds up to success.

#### We Need Your Help!

Please get involved today. You will receive progress reports of the orphanage along with personal stories of the children's progress as a result of your giving.

#### Come and See Us

We are not so far away that you can't come and visit us. In fact, a trip to the orphanage will likely change your life. When you see and work with the kids first hand and your heart will be forever touched. We would love to help. If a visit is something you would consider, please contact us or mark the card below and we will provide you additional information.

### **Yes!** Let's work together to make a difference the lives of Children:

☐ I am enclosing a gift of \$ for use: ☐ Where needed most. ☐ Specify:
☐ We would like to start sponsoring as God enables, with a monthly gift of \$
Contact Person
Organization
Address
City
State Zip
Email
☐ Please send me information about visiting the orphanage.

- ☐ Please contact me with some of the additional specific needs.
- Contact me, we may have computer equipment to donate.

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