ONE CHURCH ONE VILLAGE

Your Church Can Get Involved and Partner with the Country of
Uganda

Uganda, "the Pearl of Africa," boasts some of the best scenery in Africa and is composed of lakes, rivers, mountains, and semi-arid lands. While beautiful, Uganda has endured much suffering in recent history. Terrorized by the rebel Lord's Resistance Army for nearly two decades, Northern Uganda was the center for many internally displaced persons (IDP) camps until the government disbanded them in 2007. Orphans and widows continue to be among the hardest hit from the country's turmoil as they have been left to fend for themselves—either on the streets or in the remains of dismantled IDP camps.

Now Uganda faces many challenges as it continues to rebuild after a war that disrupted normal life and stunted development. Healthcare is a great concern for families, and access to medical facilities is limited and costly. Many people don't have access to even the most basic necessities or services, and life-threatening conditions, like malnutrition, are rampant. Psychological and emotional stresses continue to affect people of all ages. Unresolved trauma from horrific wartime experiences haunts adults and children alike. Children are in desperate need of improved educational opportunities to help them escape the cycle of poverty and open up a brighter future.

We currently have over 40 children in our Children's Home and 200 in our Village Partnership Program in Northern Uganda. Thanks to partners like you, children in Northern Uganda now have access to daily nutrition, Biblical training, evangelistic activities and outreaches, education through COTN's school, trauma counseling, and health care via in-country nurses and visiting medical teams. In our Homes, children receive well-rounded care that includes daily meals, an education, medical care, counseling, and Christian mentorship. The local community also has access to clean water at wells our partners have constructed and a wealth of resources including clothes, soap, blankets, and more.

STRATEGIC PROJECTS

As you develop your relationship with Uganda, you can continue to stay involved throughout the year by partnering with us on country-specific projects:

Click here to see all projects for Uganda.

VENTURE

As you become more invested in Uganda, your church may decide to take a Venture trip and see firsthand how you can partner with this community. For more information, check out our Uganda Venture calendar for this year!

In addition, we keep a standby list of emergency response medical and construction teams. Please contact our Venture department for more information.

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship is still an important need in Uganda, as we seek to provide holistic care for the children. As we continue to help families become more stable and independent, we also provide school fees, food, and medical care to over 240 children. Your church can host a Sponsorship Sunday event, or individuals can sponsor at any time.

Children's Home: Sponsor a child living in one of our full-care Children's Homes.

Village Partnership Program: Sponsor a child living with their parents or caregivers.

Click here to see all the children who need sponsors in Uganda.

DONATE RESOURCES

Wherever possible, COTN believes in purchasing needed supplies from local businesses in each country. However, we still have a need to ship supplies and equipment to supplement nutrition, clothing, and other materials for our children. Specifically, in Uganda, we are in need of

- **COTN Item of the Month**
  Each month your church will be able to collect needed items for Uganda.

- **Feeding Children Initiative**
  You can help provide food from local sources to our children in Uganda, supporting the community around Uganda.

- **SmilePacks®**
  SmilePacks help us provide for the physical, spiritual, and educational needs of our children in Uganda. We collect Bible, School, Hygiene, and Let's Eat SmilePacks.

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