

Sponsor a Child in Uganda

"I have no parents. I have no idea where I would be without my sponsorship. But now I have an education, somewhere to stay, food in my belly and people who love me. I have a future!"



In Uganda there are many orphans and other vulnerable children who struggle simply to live.

With your help that can all change. £15 a month provides accommodation, education, food, love and support - things that every child needs.

Your sponsorship will transform a life.

Sponsorship in practice

Your sponsorship will provide:

- 1) Accommodation during term times. (Most, though not all orphans stay with their next of kin during holidays.)
- 2) Three meals a day.
- 3) Basic medical care.
- 4) Full time schooling including uniform, scholastic materials, examination fees etc.
- 5) Pastoral support from "matrons" who live with the children.

From your child you will receive:

- 1) A letter introducing themselves and telling you something of their story. (For younger children their teachers will write.)
- 2) An annual update letter on their progress.

Please note that we do not accept material gifts to individual children to ensure that all children are treated equally. However we welcome letters from sponsors sent to their child via the school.



Happy children after receiving dresses to wear

Amazing Grace School

Amazing Grace Pre & Primary School is situated in Kisoro, one of the poorest districts in Uganda in the South West of the country.



The school caters for both day pupils and boarders aged 3-14. It has an excellent pastoral reputation and consistently does well in academic performance coming first out of 110 local schools in the 2021 Primary Leaving Examinations results.



School playing field

Ethos at the School

The school has a non-profit making ethos, is committed to a maximum class size of 40 (compared with 80-100 on average in Uganda) and to producing an atmosphere of honesty, kindness, approachability, accountability and respect between all children and staff.

As such there is close adherence to child protection and anti-bullying policies. Amazing Grace School regards all children and staff to be of immense and equal value regardless of their nationality, race, gender, age, religion, social status or wealth with discrimination on any of these grounds not tolerated.



All staff are required to take a minimum of one full day off every week and must have an annual appraisal which constructively examines their pastoral needs as well as the performance in their roles. (It is important to appreciate that such things are not normal practice in Uganda.)

Accountability

The school directors are committed to transparency for all outside donors and welcome independent audits in addition to the compulsory local government inspections.

Dr Stuart Creed (UK Director of the school) visits at least annually. In January 2022 he completed a review of the school not only regarding financial practice, but also staff performance and child welfare.

In addition the school welcomes teachers and gap year students from Europe to visit and work. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you would be interested in a placement however long or short.



Stuart Creed visiting the school and providing pens

Future developments

The school has an ambitious infrastructure programme to improve conditions. In 2021 foundations were laid for an examinations hall with accommodation above to provide children with more space than the current arrangement with triple bunks. A deposit was also paid to purchase new land alongside the existing school property to allow for more playground space. One off donations towards infrastructure development are much appreciated.



Current accommodation at the school

How much does it cost?

The total cost of full sponsorship per child is £15 per month.

This compares very favourably with other "sponsor a child" schemes (typically £25-30 per month) because 100% of the donation goes to supporting the child rather than on administration and fundraising costs in the UK.

Sponsorship Form

Please complete both sides of this form noting that sponsorship comes under the umbrella of Living Word International (UK Charity No:1165611)

Yes please. I'd like to sponsor a child by making a one- off donation of: *(Please tick)*

☐ £60 (supports one child for a term)

☐ £180 (supports one child for a year)

Other £_____ (please specify)

OR

A regular donation of:

☐ £15per month (supports one child)

☐ Other £_____ per month (please specify)

I'd like to sponsor:

☐ A girl

☐ A boy

☐ Either gender

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☐ 3-6 years

☐ 11-13 years

☐ 7-10 years

☐ Any age

I'd like to donate by:

☐ Cheque - Please make payable to "Living Word International", and return with your form to:

"Dr. Stuart Creed, 5 Sternes Way, Stapleford, Cambridge. CB22 5DA."

☐ Standing Order – Bank details:

Barclays Bank

Account Name: Living Word International

Sort Code: 20-17-19 Account Number: 43104443

Please add note: "Sponsor a Child"

Gift Aid Declaration

Details of donor:

Title:Forename(s):.....

Surname:.....

Address:.....

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Post Code:.....

Email:.....

I wish "Living Word International" (UK Charity No: 1165611) to treat:

Please tick as appropriate

☐ the enclosed donation of £ _____

☐ all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid Donations.

Signed Date/....../.....

To qualify for Gift Aid you must have paid enough Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax to cover the amount that all charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) you donate to will reclaim on your gifts for the current tax year. Other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. We are able to claim 25p of tax on every £1 that you donate.