SOZO CHILDREN EXISTS TO GLORIFY GOD THROUGH SAVING CHILDREN IN NEED, BUILDING COMMUNITY, AND CONNECTING INDIVIDUALS TO EXPERIENCE THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

There are 2.7 million children who have been orphaned and neglected in Uganda. Because of war, disease, and deep poverty, over half the poulation is under the age of 15, making it the second youngest nation in the world.

On May 13, 2010, Sozo Children was born out of an immediate need to take seventeen children from suffering circumstances. Two missionaries, along with a few in the United States, found children neglected and hungry. When they discovered that rats were biting these children's feet at night in their current living conditions, they knew something had to change. Ten days later with the support of the Ugandan government, a new family-style home was created for them, complete with bunk beds, Ugandan mothers and fathers, and a vision to disciple them into the next generation of Christian leaders.

Today, Sozo Children operates multiple children's homes, that provide care for over 120 children. Sozo Children's aim is growing our children in Christ by providing their basic and growth needs through our sponsorship and partnership programs. We define these needs as: housing, medical, nutrition, education, nurture, lead, disciple, and equip. Every child has a sponsor for each of these 8 segments. Child sponsorship opportunites start at \$35/month.

In February of 2015 Sozo Children purchased 28 acres of land in a rural village outside Uganda's capital city Kampala where they have spent the last several years nurturing relationships and sharing the Gospel with families in this village. On this land, Sozo Children feels called to build a Christ-centered community with a gospel driven church, a community school, a public medical clinic, three wells, team quarters, and many children's homes. We are currently raising funds for this project but we have successfully completed all 3 wells and have the funds to build our worship pavilion. The next step is creating a road system on our property that will serve as a blueprint for future construction projects including the worship pavilion and children's homes.

Mission Trips to Uganda are available year round. Details can be found on our website.

We need your help to tell our story. We believe everyone has the ability to make a difference. The vision is great, and we know the cost will be high, but these children's lives are invaluable in the eyes of Christ. So we move forward as if they were our very own, just as Jesus loves us.

"Sozo" is a Greek word found in the New Testament, used often by Jesus, that means "to save," both physical restoration and spiritual salvation. This word captures Sozo Children's vision to provide for children who have been neglected or orphaned while at the same time encouraging them to become disciples bringing glory to God.

For more information: www.sozochildren.org

