Let the agonizing cries of the millions of dying, and the grieving sobs of the lonely orphans left behind touch your heart and stir you to action. We invite you to look over what we are doing... please join us in making the world a little better for these children..... food to eat, a safe place to sleep, a kind voice ...

Our hearts will always be open to these desperate children. Please join us in the urgent fight to keep our doors open.

If you would like to contribute, we can accept donations by check or credit card, visit www.asayoswish.com and donate on line, you can make checks payable to "Asayo's Wish", and mail it along with a completed Gift Form . As always, your donation is safe, secure, and tax-deductible. A receipt will be sent to you.

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#### Use of funds

We are a nonprofit corporation. Please consult your tax advisor about your donation and its tax deductibility potential for your situation. 100% of all donations to this project will be used for direct project expenses (i.e., purchase and shipping of the needed goods and services). We do not deduct fees or expenses for organization overhead. Those expenses are funded separately.

## The spare dollar you

# The spare dollar you give will save a child's life

You can help us give these children (hope) by supporting the orphanage. It is our aim to raise enough money to keep the orphanage running indefinitely—t o provide the children with a home -a safe warm place, medical care and education—a future

\$10 would mean that we could give a child a hot meal every day for two weeks.

\$20 would mean that we could give a child a hot meal every day for one month.

**\$40** would mean that we could give two children a hot meal every day for one month and supply enough electricity for them to have a shower at least once a week.

\$60 would buy essential medical supplies to ensure that these children's lives are made as comfortable as possible in these very difficult circumstances.

\$90 would pay for a child's school fees, accommodation and a hot meal every day for three months and buy essential school and medical supplies.



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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Give a child

a reason to look forward

to tomorrow

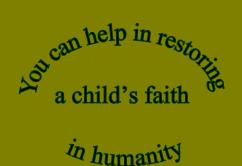
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Please join us in the urgent fight for mercy to save the world's children from poverty.

hoPlease join us, in the urgent fight for mercy to save the world's children from poverty, homelessness, child labor, slavery, sexual exploitation







### A place to call Home

Many children in Uganda are experiencing the trauma of being left alone to fend for themselves. The decade long war and the AIDS epidemic have ravaged millions of families. Despair rules the country. In the most seriously affected regions like Northern Uganda, many have given up trying to survive and just wait for death to come. Asayo's Wish' is not just the name of the charity it's our mission to grant a child's wish.



Children at the daily feeding centre

A wish to survive, to have hope, to be loved and valued, to have a place to call home, to have a reason to look forward to tomorrow.

These children are suffering because they lack the basic necessities of life--basic human needs like clean water, adequate nourishment, and simple kindness

Now, even in my darkest days, I realize how marvelously blessed I am to live in America where there is abundant food, medical care, peace and comfort. We Americans are envied by most of the world. Would it be such a sacrifice for any one of us to contribute little that could do so much to help these poor children and their destitute mothers?

For over 19 years, the war in northern Uganda heavily affected the country's children from that area. Little girls were kidnapped, raped and forced into sexual slavery to serve the rebel soldiers. Boys as young as five years old were kidnapped to fight as child soldiers with the inhumane mandate to attack and kill members of their own families or be killed themselves. Since 1986, over 20,000 children have been kidnapped by the rebel "Lord's Resistance Army", and more than 1.5 million Ugandans have found themselves homeless, forced to live in displacement camps where disease is widespread.

Many children are now HIV positive or have AIDS, and some have been so badly beaten and/or raped that they have been mentally and physically scarred for life. Consequently, some of the young girls have been left with babies (even though they are still children themselves) and they have no means of supporting themselves or the babies.

A number of children have been fortunate enough to find family members or orphanages with whom or where they can live. But many have become street children because they have been turned away from orphanages due to lack of space. Street children are those vulnerable children living and loitering on the streets, ranging in age from 3 to 18 years. They live on the street for survival not by choice. These street children are in the most desperate need of help. Currently, there are over 10,000 street children in Uganda, and 85% of these are homeless.

Thousands live alone, lack parental guidance, experience financial hardship, are grossly undernourished. Many have been orphaned because their parents have died in the war or from AIDS.

These children are denied love and affection; they do not have access to education and health care; they survive by their wits, often through theft, violence or prostitution; they join gangs for safety and to approach a family structure. These children face a short and uncertain future.

The Ugandan government does not acknowledge their existence; hence they are called "shadow children." They are considered an embarrassment, a burden that should not be acknowledged; therefore they remain hidden. Many die alone and unnoticed. Northern Uganda is a place filled with human despair and desperation; people will do anything to survive even it means selling their children into servitude. Some people are so desperate that they will eat deceased rats.

It is against this backdrop that Asayo's Wish Foundation, with the assistance of friends and family, supports a small group of 150 orphaned children and 87 other children from impoverished families. With your financial assistance we could help more—many, many more.





100% of proceeds go to support Asayo's Children's Village
AN ORPHANAGE IN NORTHEASTERN UGANDA