

## 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



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## Message From the **Executive Director**



It's hard to write in words a letter that can adequately portray the gratitude that is fueling our mission. At xHope in 2023 we have experienced a harvest year. Not just a day, week, or month of harvest; but an entire year of harvest. Reflecting back it feels like every seed planted; by every donor, volunteer, missionary, staff member, board member, church partner or monthly champion is bearing fruit. The harvest is plentiful, and from our experience this last year, the workers have multiplied. Our donors and volunteers have multiplied. Your commitment to pray for the mission to go forward. To show up and serve. To give generously. To join us on mission. To commit to monthly giving. To connect us with your churches. To invite us to speak. To sponsor classrooms, students, staff and entire buildings. All the efforts have multiplied. We are truly blown away at the outpouring of support.

It is my greatest desire that you are also filled with gratitude as you turn the pages of this annual report. You will see for yourself the harvest. You will see that the Lord has made a way for multiplication in every area of our local impact and our international mission. You will see that both ministries have exponentially grown. The visions for both are also growing. We are so excited for what God has planned next.

We have asked the Lord for the last decade to send workers. We asked, "send those willing to champion the mission of xHope and come alongside us to empower at-risk youth." We asked for a local facility and to build "a city on a hill" in Uganda. We asked to be those who make Jesus known through hope, love, education and forever family.

These words have never been more true. Matthew 9:35-38:

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. **Ask the Lord of the harvest**, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

The word harvest in Scripture symbolizes **God's provision for us** and **God's blessing for others**. xHope is experiencing both in abundance, and we are ready for even more in 2024. Each day that we welcome a vulnerable family into the xHope office to provide resources and build relationship, we experience harvest. Each time we receive support from our donors, we experience harvest. Each time we match a student in Uganda with a family sponsorship, we experience harvest. Each time we gather a team to serve on mission, we experience harvest. Each time we celebrate a ribbon cutting for a new classroom, water well, or church building, we experience harvest. Each time we are invited to share our mission and partner with a new church, we experience harvest. Each time we are close to God through prayer, worship, baptism and community, we experience harvest. Each time a family is empowered, reunified and filled with hope, we experience a harvest. Each time a volunteer shows up to serve, we experience harvest.

The harvest is plentiful because the Lord has used all of you. It is with a heart overflowing with gratitude that I invite you to rejoice with us. Thank-you and thank the Lord for the abundance of provision in 2023. May we continue the good work, expecting Gods provision for us and God's blessing for others in the years ahead.

### Wendi Cross

## **Our Mission**

We exist to empower at-risk youth by providing hope, love, education and a forever family.

## Our local vision:

We are passionate about serving vulnerable children and families by providing resources and building relationships. With this in our mind, xHope is committed to remain responsive to ongoing, as well as changing needs in our community. We are a consistent source of hope, love and support.



**Referrals**: Partnering with school districts, foster agencies, and child protective services to identify current needs of vulnerable children.



**Relief:** Providing essentials(CFK Kits), scholarships, extracurricular activities, and resource referrals.



**Relationships**: Creating community by getting to know our families, providing resources, and hosting outreach events.

## **Our International vision:**

At Redeemer House Ministries in Uganda, our purpose it to rescue, rehabilitate and reunify children. We partner with extended families, such as willing grandparents to provide education and care, which reduces the financial burdens and allows the family an opportunity to break the cycle of poverty.



**Rescue:** Orphans are placed in our care at Redeemer Children's Home to receive a safe and loving family to care for them.



**Rehabilitation:** Providing medical care, counseling and discipleship to vulnerable children in Uganda through Redeemer House Children's home, Redeemer Church and Redeemer Academy.



**Reunification**: Families are reconnected and children who were once without a family are placed with kinship or foster families.

Together... We are making a difference!



2023

## VOLUNTEERS and DONATION DRIVES

- Over 100 volunteers
- 19 Donation Drives and Service Projects





#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH and EVENTS

- Participated in 8 community events
- Hosted 2 outreach events





# Fundraising

- 16 Event Sponsorships
- 380 Guests

2nd Annual EVENING of HOPE Denim and Diamonds Fundraising event



xHope has truly been a blessing this year for my family. I am a recently divorced mom of 4 children under 10 years old. We have been financially struggling for quite some time and you have helped us a lot with my children's needs. We are truly blessed to have connected with your organization. Thank you so much.

#### PARTNERSHIPS and REFERRALS

 20 referral partnerships and connections with schools, churches, agencies, organizations and businesses





- **340** Caring for Kids Online referral requests
- 193 First Day of School pick-ups
- 19 Foster Youth Graduates celebrated
- 1 Foster Youth Scholarship
- 56 Extracurriculars and Activities
- 120 Kids attended Summer Bash
- 286 Kids attended Holiday Bash
- 61 Teens received formalwear
- 5 Caring for Kids Award recipients
- We have provided hope, love and support to 682 Foster/adopt, kinship/guardianship placements, homeless and unaccompanied youth, teen parents, aged out foster youth and children in families facing economic hardship.



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#### **REDEEMER HOUSE (RH)**

RH provides a safe place for orphans to call their temporary home. We provide relief, rehabilitation, and reunification.

#### **REDEEMER ACADEMY (RA)**

Our education sponsorship program led us to build our very own school. We provide an education to vulnerable children in our village. This is one way we love our neighbors practically













#### **REDEEMER GUEST HOUSE**

Providing hospitality to our mission teams is another way we are sustaining our international programs. We coordinate outreach events to give our visitors the most incredible missions experience.

#### **REDEEMER CHURCH (RC)**

We gather Sunday mornings for prayer and worship, and during the week for small groups. We use our church to welcome children and families to join us for the word, worship and community.

#### MISSIONS

We travel to Uganda multiple times a year to introduce our xHope Champions to the children, families, and staff we support at RHM. Our mission experiences are prayerfully planned and organized in partnership with our Ugandan staff.



#### LAND DEVELOPMENT (LD)

Our building projects continue to provide careers to Ugandan families, as well as long term opportunities for self-sustainability. Not only are we building buildings, we are building up leaders. Annual, Totals \$261,517 invested in international programs

10 Classroom Sponsorships

2nd Annual

**INTERNATIONAL** 

EVENING of HOPE

Fundraising Event

75 Guests

- 10 RH Care Orders
- 14 RH Children in Care
- 7 RH Children over 18 YRS
- 28 RH Staff
- 7 RH Reunifications
- 19 RH Staff Children Sponsored
- 12 New Guardianship Sponsors
- 45 RA Students Enrolled
- 11 RA Paying Students
- 36 RA Parents that Partner
- 91 Education Sponsors
- 4 RA Staff
- 900+ RC Attendance
- 1,056+ LD Hired Employees

#### \$99,744 invested in missions programs

25 Missionaries

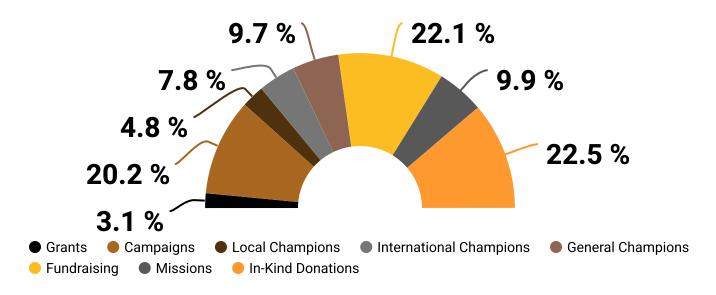
\$33, 363 Community Outreach & Leadership Development

### Where does your donation go?

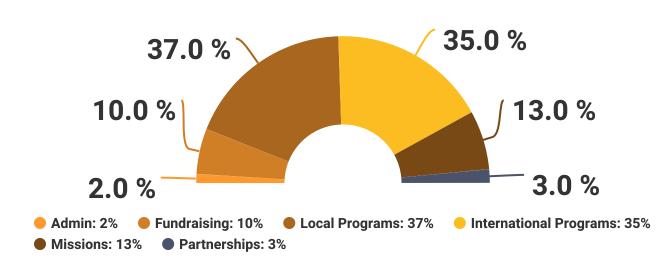
85% goes toward programs serving vulnerable children & families 10% invests in our fundraising efforts 2% is used for administrative 3% is used for networking with partners



### **Source of Funding**







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