



## Liberian Orphanage / Humanitarian Projects, Inc.

*... improving the quality of life for those most in need!*

### ***An Appeal for Sponsorship/Partnership/Volunteerism***

The Liberian Orphanage/Humanitarian Projects, Inc. (LO/HP, Inc.) invites you to partner with us in our work in Liberia, West Africa, as we continue to improve the quality of life for the poor. Founded in Washington, D.C. in 2009, we are a 501(c)(3) public charity (Christian faith-based) organization (EIN#43-2112908) continuing a humanitarian work started in 1990. Our mission is –

“to significantly impact the lives of orphaned, abandoned, abused, neglected and/or underprivileged children, youth and young adults in Liberia, West Africa, and to engage in humanitarian, educational, agricultural, and medical initiatives that will improve the quality of life for all aged disadvantaged and special needs individuals in Liberia and others worldwide.”

Fueled by passion for the plight of the poor and underprivileged, LOHP, Inc. continues to be operated by an all volunteer staff which seeks to response of the heart’s cry of the poor through the on-going life changing projects below:

**Orphanage/Child Welfare Homes Project** — Provides grants to orphanages/child welfare homes for food, clothing, education, personal hygiene items, medical assistance, furnishings, staffing, renovation, construction, clean water, and sanitation projects.

**Humanitarian Project** — Provides grants to destitute children, adults and senior citizens for emergency food, medical care, housing and small renovation/construction projects, and provides the needy with humanitarian aid relief items: clothing, shoes, personal care, household items, educational material, recreational items, etc. free-of-charge in rural and urban areas through our Operation Blessing Project.

**Educational Enrichment Project** — Provides educational grants to impoverished children, youth and young adults for tuition assistance, uniforms, and school supplies for grades ABC (nursery) through 12<sup>th</sup>; to construct, renovate and equip (includes books, satellite systems, computers, furnishings, etc.) educational facilities; and, to create alternative education programs.

**College/Higher Learning Project** — Provides grants to disadvantaged adults for college scholarships and higher learning programs: medical, dental, nursing, computer, vocational, agricultural and other training streams with opportunities for educational travel, internships and foreign exchange positions.

**The Seeing Hearts Project** — Provides monthly grants to the Blind and severely visually impaired individuals to meet basic needs (food, housing, clothing, medical, education, etc.).





Our Founder, Mrs. Sharon L. Ruff with staff & residents at the Salvation in Christ Orphanage and Humanitarian Refuge Home, Inc.



### *Help Us...Help Them*

Sponsorship of **\$30US** monthly provides daily delicious food, clothing, education, recreation, and medical needs in a safe, nurturing faith-filled environment.



**J**oseph T. is 12 years old and has 2 siblings. His mother has epilepsy and his uneducated father left the family years ago. Understandably the daily struggle to provide basic care is overwhelming for this mother. Upon hearing her appeal, he was accepted into our orphanage/child welfare home in 2014. When he first arrived he could not speak English and was not allowed entry into Liberian schools until after learning basic English. Once enrolled, he entered Kindergarten I class. He's now in the 3rd grade and says he's happy because he has daily food to eat, clothes to wear, shoes on his feet and sleeps on a bed. He loves his new life free from extreme poverty, likes soccer, school and wants to be a pastor. Who will sponsor him?



**R**egina R. is 12 years old. Her mother's life was full of daily struggles just to provide meals, so she sought our help. She became a resident in our orphanage/child welfare home in 2013. Unfortunately, a year later, during the Ebola Disease crisis, her mother died from the virus. With the help of loving caregivers she was able to transition through this very traumatic time. She has developed into a happy 6th grader who loves singing. Living through the experience of widespread death and helplessness everywhere caused her to develop an interest in becoming a doctor to save lives. And, she believes that her dreams and aspiration will come to pass. She awaits a sponsor!



**L**ydia M. is a 12 year old orphan who lived a very meager existence with her aunt in a rural village. Her life was plagued with health issues but there was no money for medicine or follow-up treatment. We accepted her into our care, a medical assessment was done and appropriate treatment initiated. Now in addition to medical care, she is assured safety, daily meals, clean clothing, shoes and a new life of possibilities. She quickly developed a love for school and even though she is in 3rd grade, she demonstrates a thirst for knowledge as shown in her constant reading. She is a happy child and is becoming a rising star, as she dreams of being an accountant. Are you the one who will help her succeed?



**C**hristine S.'s mother gave her to a relative when she was 7 years old to work full-time as a babysitter for an infant, with the promise that her daughter would be fed at least one meal daily. Her father and mother's whereabouts are unknown. The orphanage team learned of her impoverished plight, including missing daily meals, and the many barriers she faced to living a productive life. Five years ago, we officially accepted responsibility for her well-being and now she sees life looking up, not down. She is happy and at age 13 in the 7th grade she aspires to become a businesswoman. We are looking for a sponsor to help her dreams come true.



**P**atience K. is a 10 year old orphan who never knew her parents. She lived in a town in Bong County, central Liberia with her elderly grandmother, who could no longer care for her. When her grandmother learned of our program she sought our help. Following an interview, we accepted this delightful little inquisitive girl into our care over a year and a half ago. Enrolled in 1st she is thriving. She loves singing and dancing and desires to be a banker. If you choose to sponsor her you will ensure continued opportunities for her growth and happiness.



**J**ohn B. is a 12 year old orphan whose was being raised by his uneducated elderly grandparents in a remote village. Their meager income did not allow him to attend a free elementary school in a neighboring county because there was no money for uniforms, shoes and school supplies. His days were filled with hard work as a child laborer on the community farm working along with his grandfather. Through his grandparent's appeal, we accepted him into our orphanage/child welfare home and he is currently enrolled in the 4th grade. He likes football and soccer and aspires to be a businessman. Through our sponsorship he just might reach his goals.



**S**amuel V. is a 10 year old who was living in the interior with his parents and two younger brothers. Based upon the extreme poverty in their village, his parents were barely making enough money to provide basic needs and lacked many necessities. They appealed for assistance so that their oldest child would not be illiterate and have a chance to escape hopelessness. We accepted him and he is so excited about being in the 3rd grade and learning how to read. He is a great student and a happy child. He likes playing sports of all kinds and dreams of becoming a doctor so he can help the sick in the villages. Imagine being his sponsor and helping him save lives through his medical practice.



**J**eremiah B. is 14 years old and was living with his uneducated parents and five older siblings. His remote village is located in the poorest county in Liberia. His parents appealed to us to help break the cycle of extreme poverty that has crippled their family line for generations. He was accepted for meeting one of our criteria for being among the poorest of the poor. Enrolled under our humanitarian cause he does well in school and now thrives in the 4th grade. Going to school and church are among his favorite things to do. He desires to be a soldier to protect Liberia from other countries. Will you sponsor him?



**P**rincess Y. is a 14 year old orphan, the youngest of 3. She was a baby when her mother passed away at a hospital. Still being young, she can't remember when her father died. We accepted her in our care based upon an appeal from her aging grandma who could barely feed and clothe her in the village. This very friendly, helpful teen is now happy and loves watching movies and having lots of friends. As a 6th grader, she does well in school with her favorite subject being science. She dreams of becoming a nurse and working in a village clinic to help the poor. Will you sponsor her?



**K**onah K. is 3 1/2 years old and the younger of 2 siblings. Both uneducated parents are alive but there is very little work in their village to sustain a family. With a high rate of death among village children and the inability to provide proper care for their children they desperately sought help from others. The oldest girl was given to her grandmother. We accepted responsibility for the youngest and now, she's a student in Kindergarten-1 class. She is a very happy little girl who talks non-stop and loves posing for picture taking. She can be heard singing throughout the home all day long. What does she want to be when she grows up? Help her decide by providing sponsorship so she can continue living in a safe, loving faith-based environment.



**M**atthew J. is 14 years old, the youngest of 5 and has significant hearing loss resulting from a hole in his ear drum. His mother is deceased and his father has leprosy, living in isolation. His uncle visited him and discovered he was being mistreated by his stepmother. Based upon his appeal, we accepted this kind-hearted, quiet little fellow into our care. It's been over a year and as a 2nd grader, he has been diagnosed as a slower learner. Whether this is result of his hearing deficiency or something else, we do not know. However, we are providing medical care for his condition. His favorite activities are playing football and other games with the children, and watching television. He wants to be a soldier to protect people. Will you sponsor him?



**A**braham K. is 14 years old, with 2 older siblings. His father is deceased and his mother sells coal in the market but struggles to provide daily needs. She sought help from the orphanage/child welfare home at the beginning of the Ebola Disease health crisis and we accepted him. Prior to that, he had not attended school. He is a quick learner in the 6th grade whose favorite subject is math. He smiles saying "I want to be a mathematician." When asked what he likes most he said, "I love learning about God during the daily devotions, having children to play with after school, sleeping on a bed and having clean clothing and shoes to wear." Sponsor him and help him succeed.



**O**rlando K. is a 13 year old orphan, who has one older brother. He was a baby when his mother died and his father died a few years later. His aging grandparents struggled to care for the 2 brothers and asked for help. He remembers 2-3 years of village schools before coming to the orphanage compound. Now he is in the 4th grade and doing extremely well in school. He's a very shy person but very smart in many areas. He says, "I like living at the orphanage because I like being clean and playing football with the other boys. And, we never had television to watch in the village." He desires to be a doctor or a football player. Your sponsorship can make this possible.



**C**yrus F. is a 16 year old orphan whose mother drowned in the river while bathing in 2015. The cause of his father died years earlier is unknown. His plight came to our attention by his older aunt who was struggling to care for him. We extended a helping hand and as a resident of the orphanage/child welfare home he is very appreciative. Now he is in the 7th grade and a very good student. He said, "Thank you for helping me. I have lots of friends in this place and my life is improved." He wants to be building engineer to build houses to help poor people in the city and those in the interior. Your sponsorship will enable him to fulfill his dreams.



**N**athaniel K. is a 13 year old orphan whose parents died when he was very young. In the village he was cared for by his old grandfather who asked for our help. He came to the orphanage/refuge home last year and is in the 2nd grade. He is a very happy child. When asked about his new living arrangements he said, "I like it because I don't have to go on the farm early in the morning and work all day in the hot sun or heavy rains. I am learning and have lots of time now to play with other children." He desires to be a soldier because he wants to help keep the peace in his country. Will you sponsor him?



**E**mmantry S. is 17 years old, the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 5 siblings, whose unskilled, uneducated parents are alive. His mother is very sickly and as her sickness progressed his father abandoned them. He is one of many village children who hear about the quality of life in the compound and begged their parents to make an appeal for them to live there for a better life. Based upon need, we accepted him and now his life has a bright future. As a good student in the 10th grade, he says, "I want to be somebody." He talks about dreaming of studying political science in college so he can become a Representative in Liberia's congress to restore the pride of those who have been deprived. Sponsoring him just might make his dreams become a reality.

## *Our Young Adults Deserve A Bright Future “Beyond High School”*



As you know, in every society, education is a pivotal key to opening doors of opportunity for advancement. However, in countries suffering from extreme poverty like The Republic of Liberia, among the 10 poorest countries in the world, education takes on even greater importance. Without it, an entire life can be lived in hopelessness, evidenced by lack of food, shelter, clothing, medical care and life's basic necessities. We are truly pleased to have sponsored the individuals below through high school. Now, we invite you to join us as we prepare them for careers for their adult life. These are their stories and their hopes for a brighter future. **CONSIDER SPONSORSHIP OR MAKING A DONATION TOWARDS THEIR EDUCATION.**



**M**orris C. is 24 years old and has 12 siblings. His uneducated parents work as subsistence farmers who receive produce as payment for their labors, not money. Rural life in extreme poverty meant sleeping on the floor in a hut, without benefit of adequate clothing, shoes or medical care. Even providing daily food in between harvest times was a struggle for this family. We accepted an appeal for the placement of 3 of their oldest children. This one graduated from high school last year. Currently, he volunteers as a teacher's aide. He aspires to attend Starz College of Science and Technology for computer training. Their introductory course is \$150US, a monthly stipend of \$35US for transportation and school material is also needed. Who hears his



**I**saiah (Flomo) S. is 26 years old, the oldest of 5 siblings. Rural village life was very difficult for his uneducated parents. Without schools, doctors or a clinic, poverty was the norm and sickness and disease was rampant. In 2003, a sickly Flomo was accepted after an appeal for his care. High school graduation came in 2016 and he has happily volunteered as a teacher's aide and nightly security at the home. He is extremely skillful in drumming, technology and basic mechanics without any formal training. He received a scholarship to attend The National Vocational Training Institute's 1 year program for electronics. However, he still needs a monthly stipend of \$35US for school material and transportation. Who will help him?



**M**eshach (Momo) K. is 27 years old, the oldest of 5. Prior to being accepted into SIC, his uneducated mother worked as a subsistence farmer (with no monetary income) struggling to raise her children. In 2003, at age 10, he was a very sickly child and she was unable to pay for medical care. She appealed for help and after entering the orphanage/child welfare home, he received medical care, and later enrolled in school for the first time. By 2016, he graduated high school with high marks and volunteers at the home. He desires to enter the United Methodist University's Public Administration undergrad program prior to attending Law School. The annual tuition is \$1,000US, with \$400US needed for books and class materials, and a monthly stipend of \$35US for transportation. Who will help his dreams come true?



**A**aron S. is 21 years old and has 6 older siblings. His father died when his uneducated mother was pregnant with him and began making and selling palm oil, as her only means of support. Life was a constant unending struggle and she appealed for help to care for her children. Aaron was accepted into our care in 2005 and couldn't speak English. He eventually overcame this language barrier and has been a serious student ever since. His favorite subject is English but he is just excited about learning anything. He desires to become a heavy-duty mechanic and attend The National Vocational Training Institute. The annual tuition is \$500US, and a monthly stipend of \$35US is sought for school material and transportation. Will you sponsor him?



**D**avid Tonny is 28 years old with 4 siblings. He walks in pain, with a limp, as one leg is shorter than the other. Without clinics in the village or the ability to pay for care in the city, his mother she died from a cough when he was very young. His father struggled to survive the harsh conditions of rural living. Due to his handicap, in 2003 at age 11, his father sought our help and he was accepted in our orphanage/child welfare home and began his education. In 2017, he graduated from high school and volunteers as a tutor/mentor for the younger boys. He is currently enrolled in a 12-month automobile mechanic program at The National Vocational Training Institute. His balance tuition is \$200US. A monthly stipend of \$35US is sought for school material and transportation. If you sponsor him, it will be a great investment in his future.



**U**riah K. is 24 years old with 7 siblings born to uneducated subsistence farmers who struggled to make ends meet after harvest season (where they receive crops, no money; no other jobs are available in their rural interior village). In 2003, at age 8, we accepted his parent's appeal and was allowed entrance into SIC. In Liberia, no matter the age, after learning basic English, children start school in ABC class. He completed 12<sup>th</sup> grade and now awaits a sponsor to attend university for Public Administration. The average cost is \$1,000US annually, with \$300US for books, and \$35US for monthly transportation. Will you sponsor him?

## Current College Students Who Also Need Sponsors for 2021 courses



**A**lice K. is a sweet, self-motivated, committed 27 year old with 8 siblings. Abandoned by her mother when she was a baby, her father struggled providing for his children. She remembers having no shoes, only 2 underpants and 5 pieces of clothing which were often unwashed, oversized or torn. Only 2 of her siblings were able to attend school. In 2001, her father made an appeal and she was accepted into our care and immediately enrolled in school. She graduated high school in 2016 and is volunteering as a teacher's aide. She is enrolled this semester as a sophomore in St. Clements University College to pursue an Economics degree, but she needs a sponsor to continue her education. Tuition is \$600US yearly, \$200US for books and supplies. A monthly stipend of \$35US is needed for transportation. Can you help her?



**A**braham T. is a happy, energetic 30 year old, the youngest of 3, whose mother died when he was a baby. His father faced severe obstacles caring for his family. The condition of his child's life was brought to our attention through his father's appeal and he was accepted into our care in 1989. Since his arrival, he has always carried his Bible, preaching short sermons to any listeners and been a serious student in school. In 2011 he graduated from high school. He volunteers at the home and we enrolled him in the Stella Maris Polytechnic College majoring in Agriculture. He is a junior this year and needs a sponsor to continue his education. Annual tuition is \$1,100US with \$200US for books/supplies and \$35US monthly is needed for transportation.



**D**aniel D. is 27 years old and has 13 siblings. His uneducated father was unable to find work and his wife abandoned the family. Eating everyday and having clothing and shoes to wear was a daily struggle for this family. In 2009, based upon extreme poverty, we awarded him a full education scholarship. After high school, he became a teacher's assistant and we helped him enroll in the Liberia Mobile Teacher's Training College. He just completed an Associate Degree and now to enter the Public Administration undergrad program at the United Methodist University. Annual cost is \$1,000US tuition and \$400US for books, transportation and other expenses. Will you sponsor him?



**J**osephine G. is 23 years old, the 4<sup>th</sup> of 5 girls. Her father died when she was young, which left her uneducated, unskilled mother unable to provide for their large family. Eventually all the children were sent to live with different relatives. In 2005, her aunt who was also caring for other children-in-need asked if we would accept Josephine in our care. We agreed. It has been a pleasure raising her and last year, she graduated from high school. Currently, she is enrolled in Starz College of Science and Technology for computer training and seeks a \$600US scholarship for an additional year of courses. In addition, \$250US is needed for a laptop and \$35US per month is needed for transportation. Will you sponsor her?



**J**ohn Suah is 25 years old, with 6 siblings. His father passed away at age 1 and his uneducated mother lived an impoverished life in a rural village without clinics. He was a very sickly child and in 2003, at age 8, his mother appealed for help. We accepted him, provided medical treatment and enrolled him in school for the first time. In 2016, he graduated from high school and is volunteering as a teacher's aide for the home. He is currently enrolled in IT – Information Technology courses in Starz College of Science and Technology. The cost of registrations and tuition for the IT courses is \$875US for next semester. He is in need of \$250US for a laptop and requests a monthly stipend of \$35US for transportation. Will you be his sponsor?

The children, teens and young adults featured in this 2020 appeal have no sponsors. All are residents of the Salvation in Christ Orphanage/Humanitarian Refuge Home on Pipeline Road in Paynesville County, Monrovia, the Republic of Liberia, West Africa. Over the years, through the generosity of our donors, LO/HP, Inc. has sponsored hundreds of children, youth and young adults in this home and other orphanage/child welfare homes in Liberia. We know from firsthand experience that such a small amount, ***\$30.00US monthly***, can change lives!

While none of our volunteers are ***connected by blood lines*** to any of those featured, we are ***connected by purpose***. We have been chosen –

- to help rewrite their stories;
- to create doors of opportunity where doors were closed or non-existent;
- to provide daily food, education and clothing where hunger, illiteracy and nakedness was their norm; and/or,
- to provide adequate housing and medical care where a substandard structure was their home with the bare floor or weaved leaves for their beds and medical care was an impossibility.

***Thus our connection: we are to give so they can receive.*** We are the answer to prayers, hopes and desires. Liberia's poor often say, "We have no hand" or "There's no one who hears our cry!" Will you demonstrate that His eyes do see, His ears do hear and how He uses His children to reflect His heart?

Thank you for your consideration to help us in this tax-deductible Kingdom project. To sponsor any of those featured above, please visit us on our website at [www.lohp-usa.org](http://www.lohp-usa.org) where you can donate through Paypal and indicate which child to sponsor (you can also select an automatic recurring donation) or make a one-time donation. Donations can also be sent via CashApp to -- \$LiberianCare. Or, you can mail in your monthly or one-time donation to LO/HP, Inc., Post Office Box #1050, Washington, D. C. 20013. Please feel free to share this humanitarian appeal with others who have a heart of compassion towards the poor. Whatever level of support you provide for the furtherance of this wonderful work will be greatly appreciated. Contact us if you have any questions or if you want to volunteer in any way:

Mrs. Sharon L. Ruff, Founder/CEO, Liberian Orphanage/Humanitarian Projects, Inc.

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