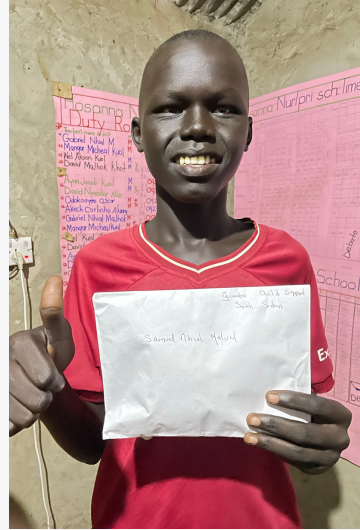


# South Sudan

In the midst of a troubled, violent and hopeless context, the project in South Sudan is making a real difference to the lives of some of the most vulnerable children. Food costs and school fees have escalated in South Sudan to the point where the project is having serious difficulties feeding and sending the children to school. We desperately need **more sponsors** for South Sudan and people or churches wanting to partner this work in the poorest country in the world.



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## HOPES, FUTURES AND EMERGENCIES

Following Summer 2023 trips





Our summer visits to Africa have helped us understand and assess the challenges, emergencies and plans of our partners more clearly and we have been asked to make those needs known. Some of those are really ‘emergencies’ where lives are in the balance, and others are hopes and visions for a better future – all of them have been carefully discussed and deemed crucial to the hopes and futures of broken and vulnerable people. Our ongoing projects also have many needs but the issues here are extra and above our general commitments.

**We would be keen to speak to anyone or any church who wanted to partner with us in those hopes, futures and emergencies.**



### **Comfort Transformation Centre**

The CTC is now making good progress. During our visit to Rwanda we heard many wonderful testimonies of how young people have had their lives transformed by the Street Kids Rescue projects. We have just been asked by district officials if we can take on another 20 children. Some of the children are living among regular drug takers in their home areas and for both those reasons we need to urgently expand what we are doing among street children through the CTC. This phase of the project is for building accommodation and a life-transforming home for a year for 80 street-children annually.



## Rwanda



### Good News Joy Centre Vocational Training.

We were impressed by the effectiveness and outcomes of the Good News Joy Centre's Vocational Training for poor youth and street children, but for every 10 people they are training they get around 100 applicants. We are wanting to partner with them to build a carpentry & welding workshop costing around £62,000



### Flood Damage

Our May flood damage appeal finishes in September. We heard so many stories from those who have lost all their crops, some whose fields are now destroyed and some whose homes are damaged or collapsed. The cost of the damage is huge but whatever we can do to help will make an impact.

## Burundi



### Batwa

The Batwa Pygmies in Burundi live in shocking and unacceptable conditions. They have been displaced from their familiar forests, and are in deep need as they seek to adjust to a new way of living. We are partnering with local churches to help them develop income streams to create their own sustainable futures. The first step was cattle provision and the next is land for crop growing. We think around £4,000 is needed.



# Democratic Republic of Congo



## Central Hospital Rusayu

The hospital is being flooded with people fleeing from the conflict and now living in massive displacement camps around the hospital. Vital equipment is needed to cope with this.

**Priority 1:** Up to 20 **beds and mattresses** for hospital (Bed = £95 Mattress = £63)

**Priority 2:** **Garage** for ambulance (This is presently requiring the ambulance to be kept away from the hospital and means that it is not on hand to answer emergency calls). It is causing a lot of concern among staff at CC and CHR £1,200

**Priority 3:** **Incubator** = cost unknown

Other necessities: **Operating bed** = £4000

**Trolley** (patient movement) = £240

**Blood bank fridge** = £4000

**Nutrition support** for malnutrition presenters at hospital and creating malnutrition prevention feeding at CHR.

**Watertanker**



## Schools

Education is crucial to break the poverty cycle. In the area we work in it is also the key to giving the next generation a future and freeing them from the scourge of war and conflict fuelled by poverty and wrong thinking. Because of joint funding we have the opportunity to build brilliant schools for low cost.

**Kyeze extension** - £32,000

**Misericordia** - £20,000

**Rubaya** - c. £60,000

**Kisima** - replace destroyed classrooms when Kambize built. Something in the region of £15-20,000 would at least provide some kind of classrooms.

**If you or your church/organisation would like to pay for a classroom please get in touch.**



## Conflict orphans at Sake



It was hard to comprehend the state of the children at the town of Sake where 107 children orphaned by the war and another 193 young children in moderate to severe malnutrition were being fed once a week. Some had already died, others appeared to be in the latter stages of malnutrition. If you can partner with us in helping provide food for those children, or to get them beds to sleep in, please let us know.