

Ethiopia has been severely afflicted by the global HIV/AIDS epidemic. An estimated 800,000 children have been orphaned by AIDS. Many of these children have watched one or more parent die from AIDS, leaving them destitute. AHOPE 's children's homes are filled with love, care and nurturing for these children who have lost so much.

### WHAT IS AHOPE?

AHOPE is a local organization that runs children's homes and community outreach programs in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. AHOPE cares for over 250 orphaned and vulnerable children who themselves are HIV positive.

#### WHO ARE THE CHILDREN AT AHOPE?

The children at AHOPE are like the children you know, jumping rope and making funny faces. You wouldn't know that they are also HIV+ and most have lost their parents and families to AIDS.

## WHAT DOES AHOPE DO?

AHOPE is the only orphanage in Ethiopia that solely cares for HIV+ children. AHOPE has a dedicated staff who care for HIV+ children living in community based group homes, Independent Living apartments and our children's home; Little AHOPE. AHOPE runs an outreach program through our Child Development Program (CDP), a library to reach at-risk HIV+ children in the community and training programs including Tailoring and Computers. AHOPE works with families in the community on creating sustainability through a micro-finance program; there are presently 80 businesses through this initiative. AHOPE also provides home-based care to children and families who live outside the city.

#### WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES...

General donations are used at AHOPE for the greatest need such as: food, clothing, rent, tuition and school supplies, utilities, medical supplies, and home maintenance/repair.

# YOU CAN GIVE THEM HOPE

*Make a donation* - Donations are the lifeblood of AHOPE. Visit our website: <u>www.ahopeforchildren.org</u> and click on DONATE NOW button.

*Sponsor a Child* - Sponsor a child in any of our programs. You will come to know the child you sponsor, understand the hurdles they face and be a part of their success.

*Spread the word* - Host a fundraiser; talk to your business colleagues; share information with your faith community; or tell a few friends and set up a cooperative sponsorship.

Volunteer - In the U.S. or in Ethiopia. The gift of YOU is the best gift of all.

Accountability - AHOPE has a strong, accountable financial system that ensures maximum benefit from your donation.

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You can give our children hope by supporting AHOPE for Children.