



FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN  
INTERNATIONAL



## Promises



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We believe every child in the world deserves love, a safe environment, and an education.

Perhaps you do, too.

For so many children in Western Africa, the promise of life, love, and family their parents so desperately wanted to keep has been destroyed by the violence of civil war or by the prevalence of disease and the lack of medical care that took the lives of their parents.

Today it is estimated that there are at least 10 million orphaned children on the African continent and it is projected that this figure will escalate to 40 million over the next 10 years. Government programs to provide for these children are almost nonexistent and there are no facilities to give them the care and the future they deserve.



As a young girl, Nuwuo watched as her father was killed and her mother taken away at gunpoint by rebels. Peace-keeping forces later found her with her sister and brother starving and frightened.

Now nearly a woman, Nuwuo has lived for eight years in an orphanage where she and 75 other children share two rooms. A typical day in Nuwuo's life begins with a breakfast of three spoonfuls of

boiled corn meal. She selects something to wear from a very meager assortment of clothes she shares with other children her size. She has no underwear, no personal possessions or hygiene supplies, and no privacy.

She goes to school in a structure she helped build out of mud bricks. The students have no books, writing materials, music, pictures, maps, or other learning aids.

At midday, Nuwuo has three spoonfuls of rice and sometimes some beans. She has chores to do and helps with the younger children. She is hungry at night but there is no food, so she goes to bed to ease the hunger pangs.

*Together we can make a difference in Nuwuo's life.*

## Nuwuo



## You Can Make a Difference

### Assist with fund raising

Make a tax-deductible cash donation

Help us contact those who may want to donate by:

- hosting a fund-raising event
- organizing a speaking engagement for a member of our speaker's bureau
- sharing a brochure with your friends
- putting us in contact with those you know that may contribute

### Donate goods

#### For the children

- Books for all ages - educational or fictional
- Computer supplies for school
- Education games and toys
- Musical instruments, sheet music songbooks, etc.
- School supplies
- Sports equipment and outdoor games

#### For the organization:

- Office supplies
- Office equipment (see website for current needs)
- Office supply store gift certificate

### Donate services

Accounting, legal counsel, grant writing

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