

# ACRES OF HOPE UGANDA

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Acres of Hope is an organization and orphanage located in Nebbi, Uganda. It's an area plunged into darkness due to war, poverty and AIDS. Visionary Pastor Odongo Geoffrey Keronga is on a mission to restore hope to his community and the suffering children.

#### Timeline:

July 2011: Ground breaking  
April 2012: Child sponsorship program begins  
Summer 2012: Children move into completed homes on site  
June 2012: Acres of Hope school starts  
January 2013: Fresh water well is constructed  
May 2013: Construction for temporary school structure  
July 2013: Construction on 5th home begins  
January 2014: Construction on permanent school building begins  
March 2014: First AOH adoption completed

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In preparation for this recent trip, Whitney and her husband Scott Saucedo organized a Crossfit fundraiser to help purchase materials needed to build a school. During that time, Whitney was able to visit a local elementary school in Indianapolis and tell the students about Acres of Hope and their need for a school. When the kids heard about the need and the fundraiser Whitney was doing, they decided to create their own workout and raise money too! Over \$4,000 was raised and sent ahead of the team so that Pastor Geoffrey could purchase the materials and have them ready when the team arrived.

When schools in the States let out for summer, we get to see a lot of our friends! This month we had visitors from Liberty University Field Hockey, Pathfinder Hockey, and a 127 World Wide team led by Whitney Saucedo. The teams worked together to help lay the foundation of a permanent school building. They worked hard in the hot African sun, and they still had energy to play with the children and teach them how to play field hockey!



To read more about Sunnyside School of International Studies and how they raised money for AOH, go to <http://sunnyside.itschools.org/magnet-news/sunnyside-school-of-international-studies-makes-a>



Karissa Grant made her second visit to Acres of Hope this summer. Last year she visited for the first time and she fell in love with a shy two year old named Melody. Despite feeling too small to make a big difference and thinking that her college student budget would not allow her to make much of a financial impact, Karissa felt God tug on her heartstrings to sponsor Melody. A year later, Melody is healthy, growing, laughing, smiling and full of joy. Karissa took a leap of faith and now she can't imagine not being Melody's sponsor. If you want to know the joy and satisfaction that comes from investing in the life of a child at Acres of Hope, visit [worldofgod.org](http://worldofgod.org).