



*Restoring hope and dignity to families, communities, and churches affected by extreme poverty in Africa*



The AFR **Kisembi Church of Christ Project** was designed by indigenous Africans to transform an entire community, starting with the local church and its pastor by bringing self-sufficiency. The blessings overflow into the lives of widows and orphans and the poorest of the poor in the geographical area surrounding the church and to the general community. Our hope is that the local church will be seen as a place of refuge, healing, and strength.

#### The Church and Community Sponsorship Model

Sponsoring a church is an opportunity that includes donating the funding to build a church building and two water wells during the first year of commitment. The second year a school is built. The third year a clinic is constructed. This plan also includes monthly support for the pastor and his family for 3 years.

#### The Family Sponsorship Model

Sponsoring a family is an incredible opportunity to personally be involved in lifting a family out of extreme poverty and putting them on a path of self-sufficiency. This is a three year commitment. This model was also developed by Africans for Africans. The families are nominated by a five member committee from the Kisembi Church of Christ. The Ugandan AFR Board of Directors and the AFR Staff make the final selections based on criteria determined by the US and Ugandan staff. Most families are making approximately \$4-\$10 per month before they are sponsored.

#### **Year 1**

The selected families are so poor, that many do not have food up to 3-4 days at a time, almost no clothing, no mosquito nets, no cooking pots, no bedding, and most of the family has worms and possibly malaria. With this in mind, during year one, we use the sponsorship to focus on food, clothing, household items, and HEALTH. The family is trained twice a month by an AFR case worker how to budget their new assistance, based on the 80/20 principle...this guides the family to live on 80% of their sponsorship, give 10% away, and save 10%.

*Church Building and 2 water wells*  
Pastor Salary  
Family Sponsorship (50 families)

#### **Year 2**

During the second year of sponsorship the family is coached to put the children in school, make any urgent shelter repairs, purchase livestock, and to begin planting their crops. Most of our families have been so poor that they have sold themselves as slaves, working for neighbors digging and farming. During the second year we partner with experts on rural farming and livestock breeding to allow the families to have the most success possible.

*School Building*  
Pastor Salary  
Family Sponsorship (50 families)

#### **Year 3**

The third year is the most exciting! Throughout the entire 3 year process, families are told that the sponsorship will end in 36 months, and that their goal is to replace the monthly sponsorship money with their own business profits. During this last 12 months a family becomes self-sufficient. We have had over 500 families complete our program, and become self-sufficient.

*Health Clinic Building*  
Pastor Salary  
Family Sponsorship (50 families)