

Cherish Uganda

The HOPE Exchange: live the rhythm
the perfect opportunity for a team...

Cherish Uganda has redesigned our team opportunities from being largely 'building buildings/hosting programs'.....to a much more relational, organic approach to bringing different worlds & kingdom builders together. We have called the experience **'The H♥PE Exchange: Live the Rhythm'**. This experience allows a team of people to come to Uganda and engage personally with the children, mothers, farm workers, teachers, healthcare workers and other Cherish Uganda team by integrating and working alongside each of these groups in different intervals through the week.

Akaloosa Village is modeled on the outworking of the H♥PE Principles (Health, Love, Prosperity and Education) around an orphaned and most vulnerable children living infected with HIV/AIDS. This week long visit will allow each person- no matter how large the team, to connect and grow together with at least four people in our team who are creating hope for our children.

Live the Rhythm is a 1 week visit which offers the following schedule:

Sat- arrival/settling in.

Sunday- experience church @ Worship Harvest in Kampala. Visit a Market, do lunch in Kampala, Rest and Re-adjust to Uganda's clock, temperature and altitude!

Live the Rhythm will kick off with an **orientation day on Monday**: a tour of Akaloosa Village, and some conversations about how we can build the Kingdom of God in communities like ours. The aim is to exchange HOPE- whereby both the Cherish team member and your team members can share in learning, giving and receiving in these four aspects of life at Akaloosa Village. On this day people will get to hear God's story through Cherish and also to share their own personal stories.

Health- On day 2 a member of the team will come alongside the daily running of the Cherish clinic, which provides the opportunity to invest in the health of our children and community while learning a great deal about the realities of living with HIV/AIDS. Again, this day would provide excellent opportunity to grow mutual relationships with the medical team at Cherish. This day may even enable some team members to visit the HIV/AIDS clinics, on appointments with our children and nursing staff- depending on which days appointments are scheduled.

L♥VE- Our vision is to see each member of the team living a day within a children's home- connecting with, building relationship with and assisting a Cherish Mother in

the caring, cleaning and cooking that goes on in the home. This will allow each person to connect with a home, to get to know the stories, personalities and challenges of each child in that individual home. This is a day to build intelligent and deliberate love into the lives of the children of a specific home.

Prosperity- The following day, that same person will be paired up with a farm worker-harvesting passion-fruit, milking a cow or planting maize, in order to understand the livelihood, profitability and principles of organic agriculture....all while building one-on-one relationships with one of our team. This will allow your team to experience the sustainability of providing homes with food straight from the farm!

Education-Lastly, members of the team will find themselves partnered with a teacher in Hope Academy to inject each lesson with life, fun and learning, while also having the environment to build relationship with the teacher, understanding his/her challenges, sharing their stories and worlds. (This will include after school clubs, reading stories to kids, teaching music & P.E., etc)

Other activities throughout the weeks life at Cherish will include morning prayer & celebrations, 'guys (football & local snacks) & dolls (nails, food, fun)' nights, bonfires and down time for reflection.

We desire to invite each person into a living and breathing experience of 'true community' at Akaloosa Village....where lasting relationships can be built. We also want each team member to understand the realities, the challenges and the hope that lives in each of the four pillars that transform the lives of kids living with HIV/AIDS.

Guidelines:

We feel that a team of **no less than 3 ppl and no more than 25 ppl** is the size of a team that we can most effectively host at Cherish.

In the past, our teams have raised funds to contribute towards a building- a classroom, a farm building, a house, etc. However, with 'The HOPE Exchange: Live the Rhythm', we are **requesting that each team member makes a love gift of \$350 USD for their week with Cherish**. This contribution will provide for the salaries of those the team are working alongside in the various areas of HOPE.

Logistics, Accommodation, Food, Transport, Medical needs, etc will be worked out with our Teams Administrator, Leah Phillips.

Cherish Uganda can assist in recommending reputable companies for additional activities that you may like to do as a team: safaris, whitewater rafting, 4x4ing, horseriding, swimming, etc.

Fill out our online form for today to bring a team to Live the Rhythm and EXCHANGE HOPE!