

# Home of Hope Outreach



## School Sponsorship Program for Orphans in Zimbabwe



The Nyadire Connection is a group of volunteers that has a passion to support the people of Nyadire, Zimbabwe during these difficult times. Our objective is to maintain an ongoing relationship with the people who live and work at the mission and to provide needed supplies and equipment to sustain operations primarily of the hospital and the orphanage.



[www.nyadire.org](http://www.nyadire.org)  
(also on Facebook!)

During our travels to the United Methodist Mission in the rural area of Nyadire, Zimbabwe, over 500 children have been identified as orphans. This shockingly high rate is not unusual, as  $\frac{1}{4}$  of all children in this country are orphaned. Some are with extended family, some are living on their own in their homesteads and villages, and some are leading their own households and are parenting their younger siblings.

Going to school is a source of hope for them as they try to make sense of their lives. However, school is not free, and uniforms are mandatory. The schools that they attend are community and government schools in the Nyadire catchment area. During the political and economic hardships of 2008, many schools shut down. Spring of 2009 brought some hope, as schools re-opened. However, the dollarization of the economy and the increase in school fees have resulted in fewer children enrolled, and many having to repeat a grade to catch up. The Nyadire Connection has successfully reached out to these orphans. The thank you letters from the children, hand-carried by our Volunteers in Mission Teams, are full of gratitude.

### Components of the program:

1. Donate **\$75.00** per year for school fees
  2. Pack a **backpack** of school supplies
  3. Be a **penpal** with your sponsored orphan
  4. Find a personal connection to this land!
- (OPTION: \$100 includes a backpack.)

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Upon filling out this registration form and sending in your \$75 donation (or \$100 to include the backpack), you will receive a packet detailing the program and a picture of your sponsored child. You may call or email any questions you might have!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (newsletters/updates)

Check: CUMC  
Memo: Home of Hope Outreach  
Send to: The Nyadire Connection  
c/o Christ UMC  
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(Thank you!)*

*Thank you for sponsoring a school child!*

