



GOD is LOVE 1 John 4:8

For God so Loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world but to save it. John 3:16 He came that we might have life more abundant.

John 10:10 This is what we want for these girls in such trauma.



Child Mother's Butterfly Club

The Butterfly is the symbol of 'transformation.'

The *Caterpillar*--first can only crawl to get anywhere.

The *Cocoon*--represents the great dark struggle --where no one is able to help in this hard process but God alone.

The *Butterfly* emerges--with freedom to 'fly.' No more crawling about. A beauty that was not seen before.

New Life! Hope! New Future!

New Life in Christ—Freedom, Forgiveness, Love & Hope! John 14



**Lucy
Number 8**

Lucy is one of the leaders of ACTION'S Butterfly Child-Mother's Club. She has no doubts that she is special to God. This assurance came on a very tragic day, as she was forced to lie face down with 10 other wives of rebel soldiers. She waited as one by one were being brutally killed. After #7 lay dead, the leader said, **STOP-No More!** Lucy was #8. God made a way of escape. In the Trauma Center she learned about God's Love through His Son **Jesus Christ who gave His life for her.** Today she shines Jesus to everyone, especially other Child-Mothers. She was abducted and in captivity 10 years. *Please pray for the girls like Lucy and their children that have been rescued from the clutches of LRA rebel terror. Pray for continued healing of memories. Pray they will become strong in their new faith in Jesus Christ and be able to with-stand strong temptations.*



New dresses for 2 precious children, fathered by the LRA rebels. This photo was taken at a Child-Mother's Christmas Party

Please join us and become an active Prayer Partner. Join in with your Gifts of Support to help these young mothers to become self-supporting, godly Women and good mothers. For them to make a difference in their traumatized world of Northern Uganda.

You may send for more information or send your gifts to one of the following addresses below. You will receive a quarterly Prayer-news report as well as email updates from the Bingham's. God bless you as you prayerfully consider what the Lord would have you to do.

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THE CHILD MOTHER'S PLIGHT



**Child-Mothers who
Escaped or were Rescued
from the Abductions and captivity
of LRA Rebels in War-Torn
Northern Uganda, Africa**

WHO IS A “CHILD-MOTHER?”

A **Child-Mother** is a young girl that was abducted by the LRA rebels, Lord's Resistance Army, usually between the ages of 10 to 15. They are often in captivity up to 18 years when they either escaped or were rescued. They were forced and tortured to become sex slaves or given as one of the many wives to a particular rebel commander. The rebels are horrendously abusive in all types of atrocities to these girls. They were often forced to kill or be killed. This war is widely known as a demonic war against the Acholi tribe. These girls return with scars in all areas of their life & body. But most important in their plight is the fact **these girls come back with children fathered by the rebels**. . . they are the Child Mothers. All have STD. Many have HIV/AIDS as do their children. Often there is no family left for them to return to and even more heart wrenching is that many are shunned by family and the community. They are desolate and defenseless. We must do something as

Proverbs 31:8,9 commands.

Speak out for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are left desolate and defenseless. . . administer justice for the poor and needy.



ACTION Gulu is sponsoring a Child Mother's Club, called the Butterfly Club.

A. The Club is Christ centered to help the girls to discover a Loving God who heals and makes *worms turn into butterflies*. They are learning about a Savior whom they can have a personal relationship with and come to understand how valuable they are as an individual young girl. In that they come to know, there is a future.

B. The other goals and objects of this club are for them to acquire *good mothering skills and to become self-supporting*. We have a fruitful Micro-Finance program.

C. They are given opportunities to go to school as well as their school-age children.

D. They receive help with their medical needs. Those who have on-going medical concerns, such as AIDS are lovingly cared for, nurtured as well as care for their children that are ill.

E. **ACTION'S Butterfly Center** is open daily & serves a meal along with Skill's Training in cooking, basketry, bead-jewelry, mats, sewing & embroidery & tie-n-dye. The Adult Education classes are in both English & Acholi.

F. There is counseling available as well as daily Bible Study & Worship.

Child-Mother's Village of Hope

This is a very natural style village with hut homes. There is a borehole for water, latrines and a center in construction for skill training as well as Biblical with counseling facilities. It has 3 small shops for some of the over 50 girls in ACTION'S micro-finance program. The plans also include a Christ-centered School and Day Care Center for their children and a clinic-hospice (for AIDS victims). The village will by its existence help them encourage and support one another.



*The most vital and important way to help is to PRAY.
Please Pray for the Child Mothers & their Children.*

1. *Pray* they understand & accept God's Love!
2. *Pray* they can receive healing; emotionally, spiritually, physically & mentally!
3. *Pray* they can learn to *LOVE* their children & themselves.
4. *Pray* they can learn HOW to become good mothers & to learn to call out to God if they abuse, as they were so tragically abused.
5. *Pray* for donors so that ACTION can continue to help these child mothers become stable & self-supporting through schooling & skills.
6. *Pray* for the completion of the Village of Hope.
7. *Pray* for faithful support.



Join Us! Make a Difference!

Please join us. Help sponsor a **child-mother and her children** to gain a life of self-worth and to be able to *teach and train* other child-mothers who were victims coming out of captivity from the abductions of the LRA rebels. At present there is a key- group of girls having an on-going discipleship class in ACTION'S Butterfly program that desire to reach out into the IDP (Internally Displaced Peoples) Camps to make a difference for their fellow child-mothers from captivity who are so desolate and alone.

HOW?

Prayer and Support

You can direct your funds towards:

- Set up and building costs.
- School Fees for mother & child.
- Medical treatments & medicines.
- Vocational training teachers & materials.
- Micro-Finance Program
- *Where Most Needed* may be applied to any of the above ministries where there would be a lack or for misc. needs such as: bicycles, soaps, rice & beans, first aid supplies, teaching materials etc.



*And if you give yourself to the hungry
And satisfy the desire of the afflicted,
Then your light will rise in darkness,
And your gloom will become like midday.*

Isaiah 58:10 NASB