

# CELEBRATE YOUR IMPACT!



Take a moment to join  
with us in celebrating  
and praising God for  
the lives being changed  
through your generosity!

**Childcare Worldwide®**  
Sponsor a Child, Transform Their World



# Thank You!

Looking back on this past year, I'm so grateful for generous supporters like you. Together, we are accomplishing great things for children in need.

It's all through your generosity that we are able to transform the lives of kids like Benjamin (don't miss his story - page 7!), and can move forward into our next phase of growth with confidence.

I am in awe of how God has led this ministry through the past year, and where He is leading us in the months to come. And, I'm so happy to have you along for the journey! We couldn't do it without you.



Bill Nienhuis, President



## By the Numbers

2020 looked different than any of us imagined it would. But by God's grace it was a year of blessings! Here are just a few of the highlights accomplished through your generosity.

### 5459 SPONSORED CHILDREN



We have nearly 5500 children connected with caring sponsors. Each of these children is receiving the support they need to thrive, including engagement in our spiritual development programs, access to a quality education, and holistic support like food, water, and medical care. Each child also has the opportunity to exchange letters and build a meaningful relationship with a caring donor like you!

### 606 WATER FILTERS

In Kenya and Uganda we delivered filters to over 600 churches and families. For many, this is the first time in their lives they have had reliable access to clean, safe, drinking water! This is a substantial step towards our long-term goal of ensuring every child we serve has access to clean water.





## 19 WATER TANKS



Many communities lack reliable access to water, instead relying on muddy streams, and dirty ponds. We partnered with 19 churches last year to build rainwater catchment systems to replace those unsafe sources with clean water! Now, those congregations, and their surrounding communities, have consistent access to clean water, right at their local church.

## 14 BAPTISMS

In 2020, 14 children in our programs chose to be baptized! We're so proud of them for their faith commitment, and can't wait to see how they continue to grow closer with Jesus - we know He has great things in store for them.



## 9 NEW HOUSES

In Peru and Uganda, we built nine new homes to provide adequate shelter to families who were previously living in makeshift shacks. Each new home has completely transformed a family's life, giving them security and comfort they'd only dreamed of previously.



## 7862 FOOD PACKAGES DELIVERED



Hunger was one of the biggest challenges our kids faced last year, due to the economic strain of the pandemic. In response, we delivered over 7500 emergency food packages full of the staples families needed to get by.



# The Gospel at the Center



Between the pandemic, and multiple leadership transitions both in our field offices and here in the United States, the past few years have been a period of intense growth here at Childcare Worldwide. Through it all, one thing has remained constant: our commitment to sharing the Gospel of Jesus with children in need.

We believe that children need and deserve so much more than just a few healthy meals and clean water to thrive. Meeting physical needs is, of course, vital, and will continue to be a core feature of our programs. But for true transformation, we know we have to go beyond that. We must **introduce them to Jesus, the only one who can offer them lasting hope, the only one who can truly save them.**

And with your help, that's exactly what we're doing!

We are focused on refining and revising our Life Center program so that every child who joins our ministry receives the best discipleship possible.

We've improved the way we screen and build partnerships with Life Center church hosts; we've added additional teacher trainings and materials so that each teacher is equipped to lead well; we've created a new curriculum to help students learn. **And all of this is helping kids encounter the everlasting love of Jesus for themselves.** It's so exciting to see!

As we move forward in the months to come, we can't wait to see the work that God will do in children's lives through our partnership with generous donors like you, and through our renewed focus on Life Centers.

# Dedicated Leaders

Childcare Worldwide is blessed with an amazing team of dedicated leaders who guide this ministry faithfully. Let us introduce you to a few of them!



Lucas

COUNTRY DIRECTOR, KENYA

Lucas recently joined our team, and already we can't imagine this ministry without him. With nearly 30 years of experience working with similar sponsorship ministries, he brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to his role. More importantly, he brings great passion to his work. He is a man of great faith, and views Childcare Worldwide's mission to share the Gospel with children as his calling. He and his wife Loice have three grown children. We're looking forward to seeing everything the Kenyan team will accomplish under Lucas' leadership!



Margot

COUNTRY DIRECTOR, PERU

Margo has faithfully served Childcare Worldwide for decades! When she was in her early 20s, she left a secular, corporate position to work in ministry, and never looked back. She loves being able to share her faith on the job while supporting those in need. With a background in education, she is a great asset to our ministry, particularly when it comes to our Life Center program and curriculum. Margot has two grown children. Her husband recently passed away, but she has found the strength to trust God even during this trial. We are lucky to have Margot on our team!



Charles


COUNTRY DIRECTOR, UGANDA

In the two years since Charles joined the team in Uganda, we've seen great growth in our ministry there. He has a big heart to serve vulnerable children and help them thrive, and brings that passion to work every day. He has over 15 years of experience in management and child development roles with similar ministries, providing plenty of wisdom and inspiration for his leadership of our team in Uganda. Charles also carries a deep conviction that by serving others he is serving God. He and his wife Maureen have four young children. Charles is a great asset to our team in Uganda and our ministry as a whole!

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In addition to these fine leaders, we are blessed with godly leaders around the world! From our partners in India, Sri Lanka, and Thailand, down to each individual Life Center teacher, we are grateful for each one of them.





*Without Childcare Worldwide, Benjamin had no hope. But today he is thriving and walking with Jesus!*

## *Benjamin's Story*

### A LIFE TRANSFORMED

Listening to Benjamin describe his early life is heartbreaking. The only thing that makes it bearable is seeing how far he has come since then!

A few things stand out in Benjamin's memories from his early days. One is the smell. He grew up in a very poor area without access to running water. As a result, he says there was always sewage running through the streets. Another vivid memory is the constant hunger. Finding enough to eat was always a challenge for him and his family. Worst of all, though, was the conflict in his home. His step father was both verbally and physically abusive - as a young boy, Benjamin was deeply traumatized by the way he saw his mother being treated.

*"My step dad used to really batter my mom... and that really made my life hard. The environment wasn't so good. There was a lot of sewage running around. Getting food was always a problem."*

*Benjamin*

Thankfully, Childcare Worldwide intervened! Benjamin was sponsored, and from that moment on, his life began to improve.

With access to a quality education, Benjamin at last found escape from his tumultuous home life. For the first time, Benjamin felt secure. With all the holistic benefits of our ministry, including healthy food, clean water, and medical care, he really started to thrive.

Best of all, through Childcare Worldwide, Benjamin met Jesus. **As he shares his testimony, it's clear the profound impact that Jesus has had in his life.** He talks about learning to go to church and serve God from a young age. At the time, his future seemed scary and uncertain, but a strong framework of Christian principles helped guide him and gave him confidence. Today, he explained, it is his relationship with Jesus that gives him purpose in life.

*"Coming to Childcare Worldwide gave me some security and gave me some comfort. Now I could enjoy my life to the fullest. It gave me a reason to be myself and be the kind of person I am today."*

*Benjamin*

Looking back at where he started, it is amazing to see where Benjamin is now. He has a good job with a company that provides nutritional supplements for babies and young children. Many of these kids are growing up in difficult situations, just like Benjamin did. He finds it deeply gratifying to be able to give back in this way, while also building a life for himself. Outside of work, Benjamin spends much of his time serving his local church, where he helps lead worship - one of his great joys in life.

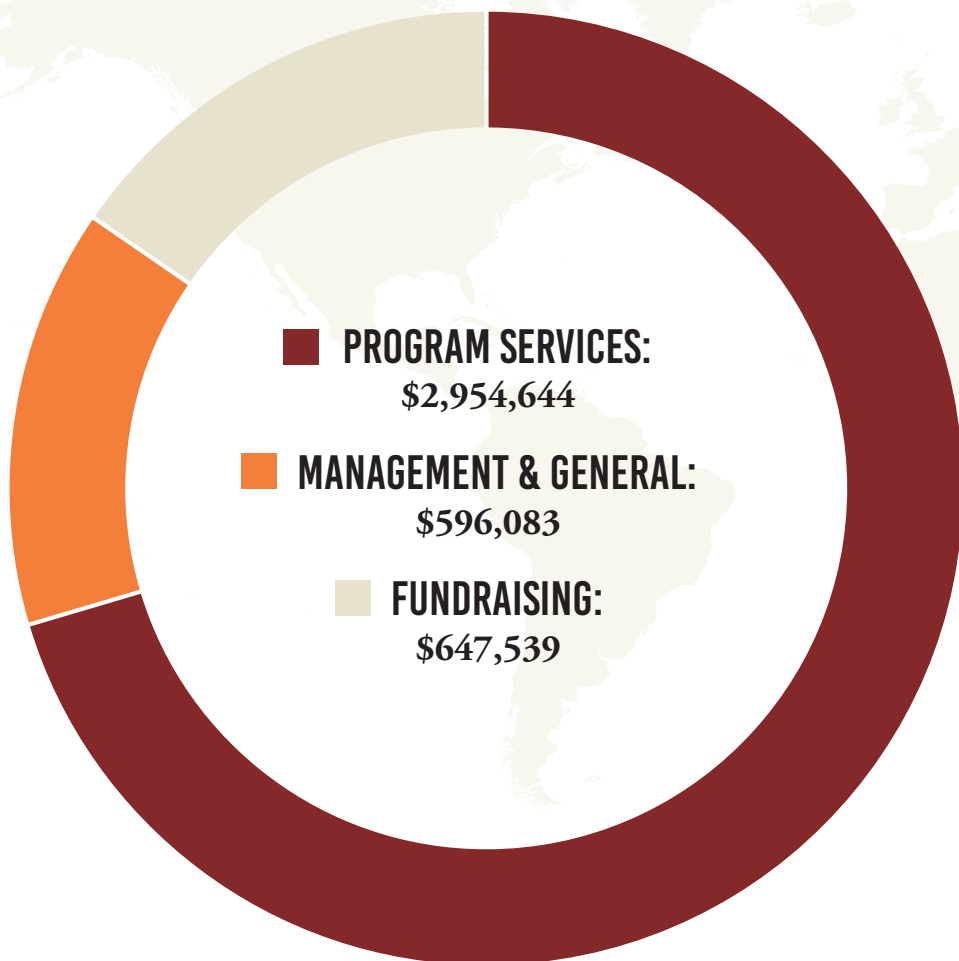
Benjamin's circumstances seemed nearly insurmountable. But his sponsors chose to help him transform his life... and look where he is today! I'm so grateful for the role Childcare Worldwide got to play in Benjamin's story, and can't wait to see where God leads this young man next.



# Financials

## FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

In the 2020 fiscal year, generous donors like you gave over \$4 million to help share the Gospel and support children in need around the world. We here at Childcare Worldwide are committed to being good stewards of every single gift we receive. We are so blessed that you trust us with your generosity, and we work hard every day to utilize your gifts as effectively and efficiently as possible.



Our full financial statements are available to you online.



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# Testimony

“My husband and I feel blessed to donate to Childcare Worldwide, to be a part of what they are doing to help children and families that are struggling with daily needs in impoverished areas around the world. They do it in the name of Jesus, sharing the Gospel and teaching them godly values. We have sponsored a number of children over the years and it is so rewarding to know that our relatively small sacrifice has made a huge difference in their lives.”

*Alesia Van Pelt*



Ron and Alesia, Childcare Worldwide supporters from Washington.



# THANKS FOR BEING PART OF THE TEAM!



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As a supporter of Childcare Worldwide, you are part of a team of nearly 5,500 incredibly generous, caring people, all committed to making a difference for children in need. We're so glad to have your support, and are constantly inspired by the way you give so selflessly. May God bless you richly for your generosity!

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