

HGF Partner Covenant & Obligations

Orphan Care Overview

Local Church Based Ministry

As the pastor of the local church and orphan care administrator, both of you are very important parts of the Haiti Gospel Fund. The Haiti Gospel Fund is committed to assist and resource local churches to execute the Biblical mandate to spread the gospel. As pastor you are the leader with overall responsibility and accountability for leading the local church and ministry of reaching the people of your community and Haiti with the Gospel. The Haiti Gospel Fund will provide you with resources to help you in spreading the Gospel through orphan care, evangelism, church planting, schools, medical, and community outreach. In order to receive these resources, you must fulfill certain minimum obligations every month.

The Hope Vision Children's Home Covenant

In order to lead this effort in your children's home and receive the funding, we must all know, abide by, and apply the day-to-day orphan care according to the covenant. You must be sure that all orphan care leaders, staff, and the church body understand and apply these principles.

What You Will Receive To Help With Care

As the local church leader of Hope Vision Ministries, you will receive the monthly receipts HGF receives from child sponsorships for the children who reside at Hope Vision Children's Home. These funds are for every child residing in the home to help you in your care of those children. This funding will be provided to you within the first week of every month. This is the funding you will be provided to help you fulfill your responsibility to care for the children, including their (1) food; (2) education; and (3) basic healthcare. We will provide clothing for each child either by shipping it from the United States or by sending money specifically for clothing throughout the year. You will also receive monies received from the partner churches, businesses, and individual giving to pay the operating expenses of the children's home.

Covenant

The Haiti Gospel Fund dedicates Hope Vision Children's Home to the glory of God. It is our desire for this home to be a vehicle that brings the gospel of Jesus Christ to the children and families of Haiti. More than meeting physical needs and caring for the vulnerable, this home exists to bring the love of God to spiritually hungry children and disciple them in the truths of God's word. Hope Vision's Home will operate within the standards of the local community but will provide physical care for the children with excellence, doing everything as unto the Lord.

On Behalf of the Local Church and as the Leader of Hope Vision Children's Home, we commit to the following:

1. **To embody, teach, and reinforce children's home principles.** We shall follow and advance in all walks of our lives among the leaders, caretakers, and children the following principles: *Christ-Centeredness; Disciples; Unity; Courage; and Hard Work.*

2. **To wholeheartedly pursue Children's Home commitments.**

- Basic Care: We shall bring the neediest orphaned and vulnerable-children in the local community into a safe, loving home, and up to the minimum basic care requirements.
- Discipleship: We shall disciple each child to become fully devoted followers of Christ by diligently training them to know and understand the word of God through the church, school, and inside of the home.
- Self Sufficiency: we shall teach self sufficiency to the children so that they can be as independent as possible when they age out of the home.
- Outreach: We shall use the children's home as a center for outreach to serve others in need in the community.

3. **To meet basic care requirements.**

- Safe Shelter: The home shall be culturally relevant, with children valued and protected from harm.
- Loving Care: Each child shall have a designated caretaker. The children in the children's home shall be loved and nurtured by the children's home leaders, the church body and caretakers.
- Clean Property: The home (including grounds) shall be free of debris and trash. The grounds must also be sanitary for the children, staff, and guests.
- Nutrition: The children shall have clean and safe drinking water, and three (3) nutritious meals per day.
- Education: All children of entry level age and above shall be in school as well as receive Bible training.
- Clothing: The children shall be cleaned daily and clothed
- Healthcare: The children shall have access to basic healthcare and disease prevention measures.

4. **To teach self-sufficiency in the home.**

- Children's Home Family: Everyone in the children's home, including caretakers and the children, shall work hard to provide for others and themselves.
- Local Church Body: The local church body shall contribute – with time, talent, and treasures – to care for the orphans and help move the children toward self-sufficiency.
- Agriculture: The children's home family shall teach agriculture, grow fruit and vegetables, as well as care for animals as the Lord allows. They shall eat what they produce and sell the surplus.
- Economic Development: The children's home family shall look for and create opportunities to generate economic profit, with the profit to be used to contribute toward the operation of the home.

5. **To maintain complete integrity in all the financial dealings.**

We shall faithfully use all money and property provided for the children's home as designated and as intended; shall keep documentation of all expenditures; and shall report on income and expenses with accuracy.

Orphan Care Requirements

In order to receive the monthly resources for your orphan care ministry, you **MUST**:

1. CHILDREN

Provide the names, ages, and school grades for every child in your care before the end of the current month to qualify for the next month's support. You will also provide proof of legal government documentation for each orphan in your care. You may not add additional children to the village without advance permission from the Haiti Gospel Fund, with permission to be requested by providing the new child's information in monthly Orphan Registration Form.

2. CARE STANDINGS

Confirm that the Hope Vision Children's Home covenant is being followed and applied, and the following requirements faithfully were met during the prior month:

- You made sure the children were safe, loved, and free from abuse of any and every kind.
- You provide clean and safe water to the children.
- You fed each child three nutritious meals each and every day consisting of such foods as rice, beans, chicken, goat, etc. (You must keep track of exactly what you are feeding the children each day in clear records available for inspections)
- You educated each child, ensuring that each child was in school receiving a proper education.
- When children were sick or injured you made sure the children were cared for
- You paid in full all of the staff.
- You made sure that the staff and children were provided with the basic supplies needed for orphan care (school supplies, kitchen needs and utensils, personal hygiene supplies, etc.)
- You made sure that the home and property were kept clean, debris-free, safe and sanitary on a day-to-day basis.
- You disciple the children with the church body by (1) teaching the children the Word of God throughout the week; (2) engaging men and women from your church to love and mentor the children; (3) involving the children and church body in meaningful work where they reside (by picking up and disposing of trash around the church, school, and orphanage, and assisting employees in orphanage cleaning, dish and clothing washing and meal preparations).

3. ACCOUNTABILITY

You must accurately and honestly provide the following material each and every month, under oath, in order to receive funding for the next month:

- Child Care Certification – provide a roster with the names, ages, and school grade level for every child in your care before the end of the current month to qualify for the next

month's support and proof of legal government documentation for each child in your care.

- Financial Accountability – provide an exact financial report of the money that you received, and exactly how you spent the money, with back-up receipts or documentation.