

Bringing Hope to the Children

\$3,430.00 supports one child at The Village of Hope for one year.

\$187.50 provides food for 20 children at The Village of Hope for one day.

\$300.00 purchases one year's worth of clothing for one child.

\$66.00 supports one child for one week.

\$9.50 supports one child for one day.

To **sponsor a child** at The Village of Hope or to make a **designated contribution**, contributions may be mailed to:

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Please note #4060-4 VOH on the memo line of your check.



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The Village of Hope

**A Ministry to At-Risk
Children of Kiev, Ukraine**

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The Beginning of Hope

The city of Kiev, Ukraine, is home to 4 million people, but thousands of those residents are children ages 3 – 16 who live on, in, or under the streets of the city. An initial meeting was held in 2001 between CBF, CBFNC, and the Baptist Union of Ukraine to discuss a partnership to minister to these children.

The Village of Hope was officially founded in 2003 when a deserted Russian youth camp, consisting of seven buildings, was purchased for



\$180,000 in the name of the Ukrainian Center for Christian Cooperation under the

Baptist Union of Ukraine. CBFNC contributed over \$140,000. The Baptist Union of Ukraine, Little John Foundation of the Netherlands, and some other sponsors/donors shared the remainder of the cost.

Homes Built with Love

Since 2004, volunteer teams have demonstrated the Great Commission by serving at the Village of Hope renovating and constructing housing and other buildings, landscaping, and sorting clothes. Yet with all the hard work, the most memorable times were spent with the children!

Meet Vlad

After being unwanted, unloved, and finally thrown out of his home by his mother, Vlad lived on the street for while until he came to the Village of Hope to live with Yuri and Lena.

When Vlad went to school he had to have an escort because he misbehaved so badly. He also misbehaved at the Lighthouse, and



it appeared that he would have to go to a government orphanage.

Yuri and Lena would not give up and worked with Vlad and taught him to pray. One night Yuri heard Vlad praying and in his prayer Vlad said, "Please God help me to be a good boy and keep me from going back to the street and



ask Yuri and Lena to keep me, I will be a good boy." Overhearing this, Yuri worked harder to love Vlad and let him know of God's love. Since that time, Vlad gradually

improved, and now he is a very smart, happy, and outgoing child. He is now even learning English!

Meet Sasha and Misha

Sasha and Misha are the children of a young woman who was probably an alcoholic and on drugs. The woman and her boyfriend decided to celebrate the New Year and left Sasha and Misha alone in the house with no water, food, or heat and it was bitterly cold outside. The house was for sale and someone had come to look at it, but couldn't get in because it was locked. He walked



around the house and looked in the windows. Much to his surprise, he saw the two

little boys huddled together, trying to keep warm! He called the police; the boys were taken to the hospital where they were treated for exposure to the cold and dehydration. They were finally awarded to the house parents, Yuri and Lena, as foster children and they now live at the Village of Hope.

Pray for these children and the others who are ministered to at the Village of Hope.