Become a Volunteer Ambassador!

Information and Application Form
Becoming a Hope for Kids Volunteer Ambassador

Hope for Kids International is committed to seeing people involved in supporting our work around the world. If you are passionate about seeing the lives of orphans and vulnerable children transformed, then becoming a Hope for Kids International Volunteer Ambassador is a great way to help make a difference!

What is a Volunteer Ambassador?

Hope for Kids International Volunteer Ambassadors represent the organisation on a voluntary basis with the purpose of raising awareness about the work we undertake. A Volunteer Ambassador will help to forge meaningful relationships and partnerships, and promote the work of Hope for Kids International in schools, businesses and churches.

About Hope for Kids International:

We are Christians committed to giving hope to orphans and vulnerable children living in desperate situations around the world. We provide quality holistic care to these children, their families and communities. We do this through operating children’s homes, care centres, schools and community programmes.

In partnership with Kids Alive International (www.kidsalive.org), we work in the following countries:

**Africa:** Kenya, Zambia, Sudan, South Sudan

**Latin America:** Haiti, Dominican Republic, Peru, Guatemala

**Middle East:** Lebanon

Hope for Kids International’s Responsibilities to Volunteer Ambassadors:

We are committed to:

Making sure you are trained, equipped and prepared for your role, which will take into account your interests, skills and aspirations.

- Providing adequate support and advice as needed.
- Providing you with up-to-date and relevant information and promotional materials.
- Recognising that you are a volunteer, and may therefore be only able to commit a certain amount of time to the organisation.
- Recognising your successes and commitment to our work whenever possible.
- Listening to and taking into consideration any feedback you might have about the work of Hope for Kids International.
- Providing training, conferences and other special activities and events.
- To foster a friendly and supportive atmosphere – we aim to make volunteering fun!

We will, to the best of our ability, take all reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of our Volunteer Ambassadors whilst they carrying out activities on our behalf.
Our Expectations of Our Volunteer Ambassadors:
The responsibilities of our Volunteer Ambassadors may include some or all of the following:
- Helping to recruit other supporters for Hope for Kids International.
- Promoting our Child Sponsorship programme.
- Giving talks and presentations about Hope for Kids International.
- Identifying and developing potential fundraising opportunities in the local community.
- Distributing promotional materials to interested people.
- Inspiring others to hold fundraising events.
- Helping to promote our special appeals.
- Keeping the management of Hope for Kids International informed of their activities.
- Praying for the work of Hope for Kids International.

Volunteer Ambassadors should be able to affirm their commitment to Hope for Kids International’s Vision, Mission, Core Values and Statement of Faith.

The Application and Selection Process:
To become a Hope for Kids Volunteer Ambassador you must be at least 18 years of age.
If you are interested in becoming a Hope for Kids Volunteer Ambassador, please follow the steps below:

i. Make sure you have read all the information, so that you understand what is involved in being a Volunteer Ambassador for Hope for Kids International.

ii. Complete the application form (below) and send this to Hope for Kids International.

iii. Once the application form has been received and reviewed, Hope for Kids International get in touch with you to discuss it and talk about how you can get involved.

iv. A Disclosure and Barring check (DBS) will be carried out.

v. Once you are approved as a Hope for Kids International Volunteer Ambassador, we work with you to develop a plan for developing your role.

Code of Conduct for our Volunteer Ambassadors:
Whilst we appreciate that our Volunteer Ambassadors’ roles are undertaken on a voluntary basis, we have a duty to protect the image and reputation of Hope for Kids International. We therefore request that, whilst representing Hope for Kids International, all Volunteer Ambassadors will:

- Not act in a manner that will cause harm to the reputation of Hope for Kids International.
- Not smoke while engaged in activities related to your role as a Volunteer Ambassador.
- Be careful about consuming alcohol while undertaking your role as a Volunteer Ambassador.
- Be courteous and considerate towards others and not discriminate against another person or organisation.
- Inform the Hope for Kids International Executive Director of any current or potential conflicts of interest resulting from your role as a Volunteer Ambassador.
- Carry appropriate identification at all times when undertaking your role as a Volunteer Ambassador.
- Conduct themselves in a safe and responsible manner and not to act in a way that may put themselves or others at risk.
Volunteer Ambassador
Application Form

Please answer all questions on this form. If there is insufficient room to fully answer any question, please continue on separate sheet. The information will be kept confidentially by Hope for Kids.

1. Personal Details

Family Name

Given Names

Date and Place of Birth

Nationality

Street Address

Town/City

County

Postcode

Home Telephone Number

Mobile Telephone Number

E-mail Address

2. Your Application to Hope for Kids International:

How did you learn about Hope for Kids International?

Have you previously volunteered with Hope for Kids (or Kids Alive) on a team or as a missionary? If so, please give details:

Have you read through the information about becoming a Hope for Kids Volunteer Ambassador?

Yes ☐  No ☐
3. Why do you want to be a Volunteer Ambassador for Hope for Kids?

Please give details about why you would like to be a Volunteer Ambassador for Hope for Kids International and what skills & interests you have that would help you to fulfill this role.

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4. Christian Experience

Please tell us about your Christian experience (i.e. how long have you been a Christian, which church(es) you have attended and dates, name of minister/leader, any activities undertaken). Please continue on another sheet of paper if necessary.

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Do you suffer, or have you suffered from any medical condition or illness which may directly affect your work as a Volunteer Ambassador?

☐ Yes  ☐ No (Please tick)

If yes, please give details: __________________________________________________________

Please let us know how much time you think you are able to commit to being a Hope for Kids International Volunteer Ambassador:

One day a Month ☐  2 – 3 hours a week ☐  One day a week ☐  Other _____________________

Please let us know your availability (mornings, afternoons, evenings, weekends):

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5. References

Please give the names, addresses and telephone numbers and role or relationship of two people who know you well and who would be able to give a personal reference.

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6. Declaration (see note below)

Have you ever been charged with or convicted of a criminal offence; or are you at present the subject of criminal investigations?

☐ Yes  ☐ No (Please tick)

If yes, please give details including the nature of the offence(s) and dates

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Have you ever been involved in court proceedings concerning a child for whom you have parental
responsibility?
☐ Yes ☐ No (Please tick) If yes, please give details and dates

Has there ever been any cause for concern regarding your conduct with children?
☐ Yes ☐ No (Please tick) If yes, please give details and dates

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I affirm I am in agreement with Hope for Kids International’s Mission, Vision, and Statement of Faith (see below).

Signed ___________________________ Date / / 20

Hope for Kids Vision, Mission and Statement of Faith

Vision:
Hope for Kids International envisions a world where every child grows up in a loving family, reaches their full potential, and has the eternal hope that comes from a relationship with Jesus.

Mission:
Hope for Kids International reflects the love of Christ by rescuing orphans and vulnerable children, nurturing them with quality holistic care, and sharing with them the transforming power of Jesus Christ so they are enabled to give hope to others.

Statement of Faith:
1. We believe in one infinite God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
2. We believe in Jesus Christ, the second person of the Trinity; that as the Son of God He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit, being born of the Virgin Mary; that He truly rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is now there engaged in intercession for us at the right hand of the Father.
3. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead, that He is ever present and active in and with every trueborn child of God, and that He is present to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment.
4. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are given by Divine inspiration; that they are the infallible, supreme and the final authority in faith and life.
5. We believe that man was created in the image of God, that he sinned, and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death or separation from God; that all human beings are born with a sinful nature, and when moral responsibility is reached, they become sinners in thought, word, and deed.
6. We believe that Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; that He, as the representative and substitutionary sacrifice for sin, obtained redemption by the shedding of His blood, for all who believe in Him.
7. We believe in “that blessed hope” the personal and imminent return of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
8. We believe that all who repent of their sins and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ are freely justified by the Father, born again of the Holy Spirit, and thereby become children of God.
9. We believe in the bodily resurrection of both the just and the unjust; the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost.