



2017

# REMEMBER NHU

*Annual Report*



## A Letter from our Founder..

Dear Friends,

I hope the last year has been very good for you and your family. I'm happy to say it has been yet another encouraging year for Remember Nhu and our children.

### ***A New Way to Protect Children***

During the last few years we have been doing research on a new way of ending child sex slavery through prevention. Unfortunately, the governments in many countries these days are not open to the idea of children's homes, which had proven an obstacle for us in entering some parts of the world.

However, our research led us to realize that foster care can be an effective and alternative way for us to keep children out of the sex trade in countries that are closed to children's homes. So, we started our first Remember Nhu foster care program in Moldova, Europe. We are working with local pastors to identify loving foster parents who will take in anywhere from two to five at-risk children. This is going very well and we are excited!

### ***Encouraging Progress***

Moldova was not the only country we expanded to in the past year. We were also excited to begin operation in Tanzania, where we opened a girl's home. In this large Tanzania home there are now 34 girls who will be protected from the sex trade, thanks to the generosity of people like you.

All in all, Remember Nhu added 15 new children's homes in the past year. This (together with three foster homes in Moldova) has increased the number of children in our care by 355!

### ***Exciting Events***

Last October 2016 was a groundbreaking moment for us when we hosted our first ever Celebrate Remember Nhu, a world-wide gathering that took place in Thailand. The event was a great success, with over 150 champions from the U.S. and 100 indigenous Remember Nhu workers attending from all around the world. Our workers received heaps of love and encouragement, and our champions commented on the unconditional love that permeates Remember Nhu.

Another event that was very encouraging was our second Champions Club held in Scottsdale, AZ. We had about 50 champions come together who have deep love for the children of Remember Nhu and this small group was used in an amazing way: their generosity over the weekend will open and care for more than 20 children's homes!

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Many people ask me about Nhu. She has now been married for over one year. She and Gabriel are doing very well. I am thankful for the love Gabriel has and how well he treats Nhu. She is still speaking on behalf of Remember Nhu and traveling for us as well.

Thank you so much for being a champion to children who had no hope but now have unlimited hope! May Jesus Christ bless you in ways you could not have imagined.

Agape,

Carl

*Carl Ralston*

Carl Ralston  
Founder and President

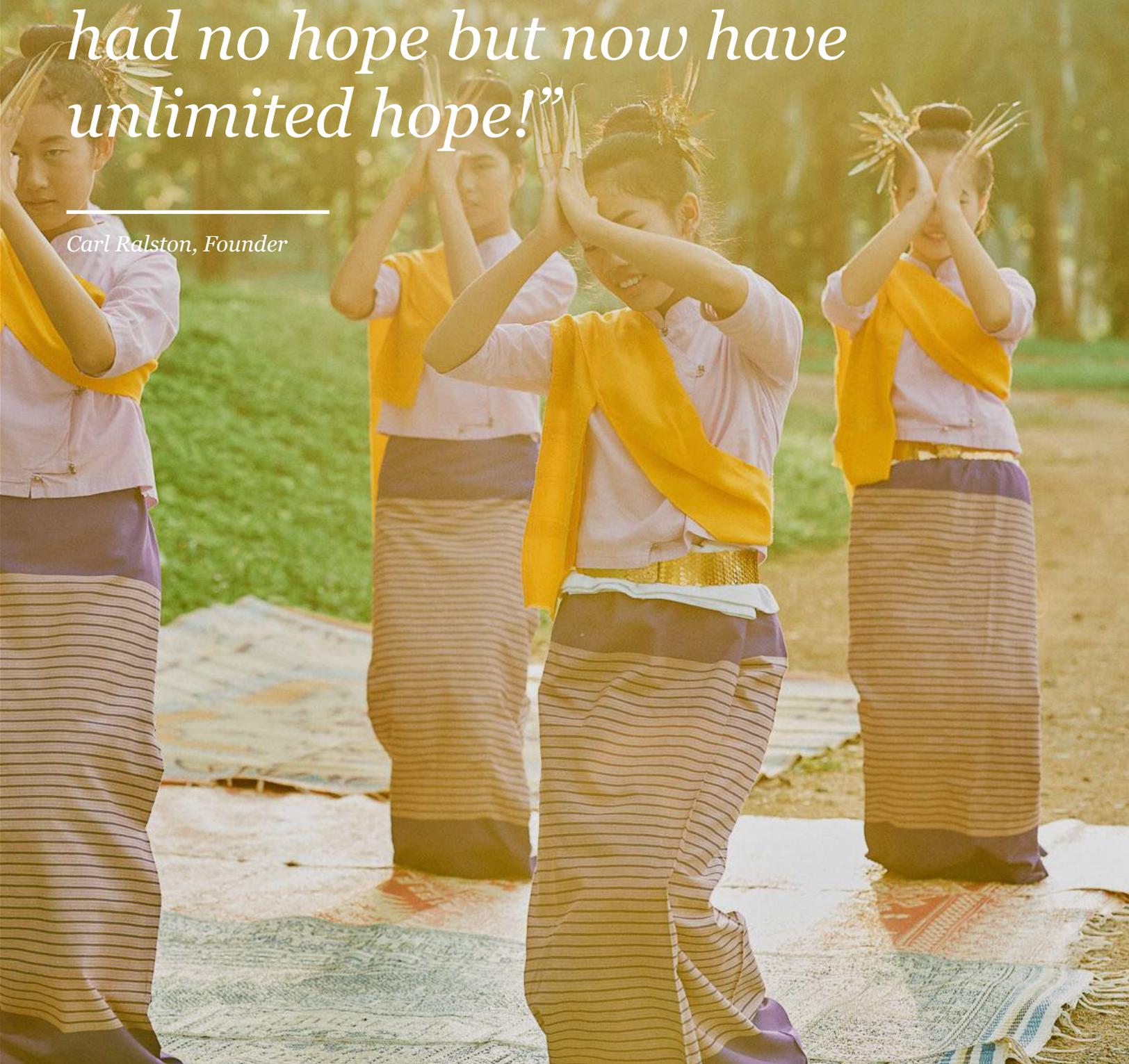


*Carl with his "Asian" daughters: Nhu, Arreeya, & Mam*

*“Thank you so much for being  
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*Carl Ralston, Founder*



# Our Progress →

Total Homes for Children: 79\*

Total Children in Our Care: 1,554



## Myanmar

*7 Girls' Homes & 7 Boys' Homes*



## Cambodia

*4 Girls' Homes & 2 Boys' Homes*



## Thailand

*11 Girls' Homes & 6 Boys' Homes*



## Philippines

*2 Girls' Homes & 1 Boys' Home*



## Tanzania

*1 Girls' Home*



## Kenya

*18 Girls Homes & 5 Boys' Homes*



## Moldova

*3 Foster Families with 8 children in our care*

Total Countries of Operation: 13

Total Children Protected to Date (Including Past Graduates): 1,854



**Uganda**

*1 Girls Home & 1 Boys' Home*



**India**

*1 Girls' Home & 1 Boys' Home*



**Gambia**

*3 Girls' Homes & 1 Boys' Home*



**Guinea Bissau**

*2 Girls' Homes*



**Bolivia**

*Education, Nutrition Centers, & Child Sponsorship  
(As we await Govt. approval to start homes)*



**Undisclosed Country**

*(For their protection) 2 Boys' Homes*

\* This includes both traditional Remember Nhu Children's Homes and homes in which children are cared for through Foster Families.



# New Country Spotlight: Moldova

*A Europe Story*

Stories

As previously mentioned by Carl in the Letter From Our Founder (page 2), we are excited to announce that we recently begun preventing children from being sold into the sex trade in Moldova, Europe. Last year we reported that we had conducted basic preventative education in some Moldovan high schools. This year, we were grateful to launch full-fledged protection of individual at-risk children. This has been a huge need in this impoverished and landlocked eastern-European country that has long been known as a trafficking hub for neighboring countries such as Romania and Ukraine.

It brings us deep joy to now be able to remove precious Moldovan children from harm's way and give them an opportunity to know and experience real love. Moreover, what is taking place in Moldova has been ground-breaking for Remember Nhu as an organization in two pivotal ways: First, we had never before set up operation in the continent of Europe, a part of the world greatly devastated by child sex slavery and a region we have long been desiring to address with preventative work.

Perhaps equally notable is that secondly, Moldova ushers in a new type of preventative work for Remember Nhu through Foster Care. Since Remember Nhu's inception, we have been blessed to find great success in preventing at-risk children from being sold by placing them in children's homes. These have been homes in which multiple children are housed 24-7 under the care of loving indigenous house parents on a property owned and run by Remember Nhu. Today we have 76 children's homes around the world!

However, we had hit numerous "snags" in obtaining the opportunity to start such children's homes in certain governments. The reasons for these obstacles can range from refusal to grant NGO status, to complex and expensive government restrictions placed on children's homes. Yet through research, we found that Foster Care can be a great alternative option for preventing at-risk children from being sold in these types of governments where the door seemed to be shut for children's homes.

Here's how it works: Many of these poorer governments are in need of help in placing foster children and funding foster families; and many of the foster children are greatly at-risk of being sold into the sex trade when they have yet to be placed in a foster home. By working with local pastors, we can identify and screen loving foster families who are willing to take in an at-risk child.

The results so far have been absolutely beautiful: we have placed the first eight children under the care of 3 different loving foster families in Moldova! We are excited to share more stories with you in the future about how these children's lives are being impacted by these loving foster family environments. We will of course continue to open traditional Remember Nhu children's homes, but we are also now excited to see what doors God may continue to open for preventative foster care in Moldova and potentially elsewhere.

Yet again, we wanted to say thank you for your continual support that makes all of this possible! If you would like to sponsor one of our foster children in Europe, please contact: [info@remembernhu.org](mailto:info@remembernhu.org)

Thank you for being one  
of the *good* guys.





## meet the graduates:

## *Thailand*

Each year, we have a group of older children who graduate Remember Nhu homes once they turn 18 and have completed all necessary schooling requirements. Not only have these children been protected from child sex slavery in Remember Nhu's care, but thanks to sponsors like you, they are now ready to enter society as young adults who are ready to make an impact on the world around them. This year we had 30 Remember Nhu graduates! Some of the children are heading into the work force while others have enrolled in higher education thanks to the ongoing support of Remember Nhu sponsors.

We thought we would introduce you to some of our female graduates in Thailand so that you can get an idea of the types of things that Remember Nhu children move on to after graduating our homes. Enjoy! (Note: All names have been changed to protect the identity of these children)



**Name:** Pam  
**Future Plans:** Attending a medical program in order to become a nursing assistant  
**Dream:** To help others in need  
**Character Traits:** Servant-hearted and compassionate  
**Favorite Colors:** White and green

Determined to help others in need, Pam is a caring and compassionate young woman who is intrigued by the medical environment. She is currently attending a medical program to pursue a career as a nursing assistant.



**Name:** Kwan  
**Future Plans:** Attending a local Theological Center to pursue a four-year degree in Bible studies  
**Character Traits:** Excels at leadership and building relationships  
**Dream:** To become a missionary and teach English  
**Favorite Colors:** White and black  
**Hobby:** Gardening

Kwan has been with the Remember Nhu family since the beginning of the organization in Thailand, where she has grown into a confident young woman with excellent relational skills. Kwan plans to pursue her dream of helping others know the love of Jesus with a degree at the local Theological Center.



**Name:** Muk  
**Future Plans:** Seeking employment at prestigious restaurants in Thailand  
**Dream:** To become a chef  
**Character Traits:** Genuine, humorous, responsible and confident  
**Favorite Color:** Red  
**Hobby:** Music

Muk, a boisterous and ambitious culinary arts graduate, has just become the first Remember Nhu child to complete a four-year degree in higher education! Muk is currently seeking employment at restaurants in Thailand where she can accomplish her dream as a chef.



**Name:** Da  
**Future Plans:** Majoring in accounting at the local University  
**Dream:** To become an accountant  
**Character Traits:** Considerate, gentle and genuine  
**Favorite Color:** Purple  
**Hobby:** Embroidering and sewing

Skilled in mathematics, this determined and genuine young woman is pursuing an accounting degree at the local University, where she will learn the skills necessary to become a financial assistant.



**Name:** May  
**Future Plans:** Attending a local University and studying abroad in Korea  
**Dream:** To become a Korean language teacher  
**Character Traits:** Patient servant, sweet and reserved  
**Favorite Color:** Orange  
**Hobby:** Korean culture and music

May is a gentle and caring individual who is focused on advancing her educational studies at a local language University. She plans to major in the Korean language as well as study abroad in Korea in her pursuit to become a Korean teacher.



**Name:** Praewa  
**Future Plans:** Attending a local Institute of Management  
**Dream:** To manage a business  
**Character Traits:** Intelligent and responsible  
**Favorite Color:** Purple  
**Hobby:** Running and collecting key chains

If you were to meet Praewa, you would discover right away that she is an intelligent and responsible young woman. She is currently a student at a local Institute of Management, a program that combines coursework as well as practical applications at a local convenience store in order to gain experience and knowledge in management.



# New Country Spotlight: Tanzania

*An Africa Story*

Stories

Over the years, Remember Nhu has been blessed with the ability to spread God’s love through the prevention of sex trafficking in many parts of the world. Recently, we’ve been fortunate enough to begin helping children in one of the most heavily trafficked countries in Africa: Tanzania.

Tanzania is the largest country in East Africa, spanning 364,900 square miles (and is approximately twice the size of California). You may know it as the home to Mt. Kilimanjaro - the highest free-standing mountain in the world.

Tanzania is also home to over 10,000 children, ages 10-19. Unfortunately, due to factors such as poverty and lack of job opportunities, many of these children are at risk of becoming coerced into the child sex trade. Heartbreakingly, many of these children are sold by their own family members or friends in exchange for money or livestock. Once trafficked, these children are often forced into prostitution, domestic slavery, and/or sexual exploitation.

To help prevent young girls from experiencing this reality, we have established our first children’s home in Tanzania. So far, we are blessed to be able to protect 34 girls from sex slavery. One of these girls is named Paulina - she was one of the first Tanzanian girls to come under Remember Nhu’s care. At age 6, she was sent to the city of Arusha by her mother to become a domestic servant. However, when she turned 10, her mother



decided to give her away as a wife. Upon realizing this, Paulina fled, and, by God’s grace, found one of our gracious Remember Nhu staff members.

After joining our girls’ home, Paulina was able to go back to school, where she began attending her first classes. Securing her school admission was not an easy task, as Paulina was older than the

other students. As a result, she was forced to skip early grades, and had to learn very quickly in order to keep up with the other students. Fortunately, Paulina has been doing wonderfully, and is now able to read and write. She is doing very well in her 5th grade class.

As the house parent overseeing our children’s home stated, “All our girls have tremendously improved, and we give glory to God.” We are incredibly proud of our girls, and are very blessed to be able to see God’s redemptive spirit working in the lives of these children.



## Sister, Sister

*An Asia Story*

In our efforts to protect each individual child from sex slavery, Remember Nhu often becomes aware of entire families who need our immediate attention. Such was the case for sisters Shein and Yamin Chit in Myanmar.

To truly understand the context in which we found these precious siblings, it is important to understand the place in which they live. Situated in Southeast Asia, Myanmar (formerly called Burma) is a nation devastated by a history of rampant ethnic conflict, violent rebellions and a recently dissolved military dictatorship. To this day, numerous factions remain in active armed conflict with the country's military in what is seen as one of the world's longest running civil wars.

Making matters more complicated, Myanmar has tragically become a source country for human trafficking due to its centralized location, displaced children and extreme poverty rates.

It was right in the heart of this turmoil that sisters Shein and Yamin Chit were born to a single mother. They grew up in the Thibaw Township of the Shan State, a common area for armed conflict located in the northeast region of the country. At a young age, the girls assisted in supporting their family by picking tea-leaves. The oldest, Shein, had begun her educational studies at one point but quit to return home upon the sudden passing of

their mother. Although she was eager to rejoin school, Shein chose to instead work full-time to provide for her younger sister, selflessly allowing Yamin Chit to pursue an education while she did not. At ages 17 and 12, with no guardian, the young 'sister family' lived a life vulnerable to nearby sex brokers.

Remember Nhu welcomed both sisters into a children's home in May of 2009. Since then, both girls have been able to pursue an education. Shein is just recently earning her bachelors in ministry at a local Bible Institute in addition to attending business training through an entrepreneurial program. Yamin Chit is excelling in school and is a current second-year student at a nursing university. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to protect any child who comes our way, and it is rewarding for us to help little 'families' like Shein & Yamin Chit. These sisters are a testament to God's unwavering faithfulness and ability to alter the course of lives in unimaginable ways.

Overall, God has provided opportunities for Remember Nhu to open seven boys homes and seven girls homes in Myanmar. We ask for your continual prayer for the protection of the children of Myanmar and God's healing touch on this country.

# Financials: Fiscal Year 2017

Fiscal year July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017



## Statement of Activity and Changes in Net Assets

Sources of Income	
Contributions, general	796,849
Child sponsorship donations	837,744
Donations for workers*	1,148,539
Service projects	625,985
Vision trips	166,613
Vocational program	868
Interest income	29
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,576,627</b>

Expenses	
Child support	1,469,065
Expenses for workers	1,049,725
Service projects	677,969
Vision trips	200,677
Fund raising	177,559
Vocational program	169
General & administrative	120,886
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,696,050</b>

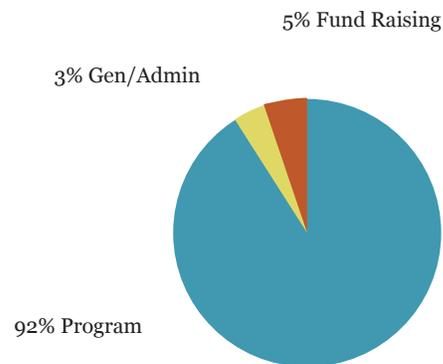
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>(119,423)</b>
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## Statement of Position

Assets	
Cash & cash equivalents	100,120
Restricted cash	444,215
Prepaid expenses	92,570
Property and equipment, Net	1,485,907
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2,122,812</b>
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Total Liabilities	34,131

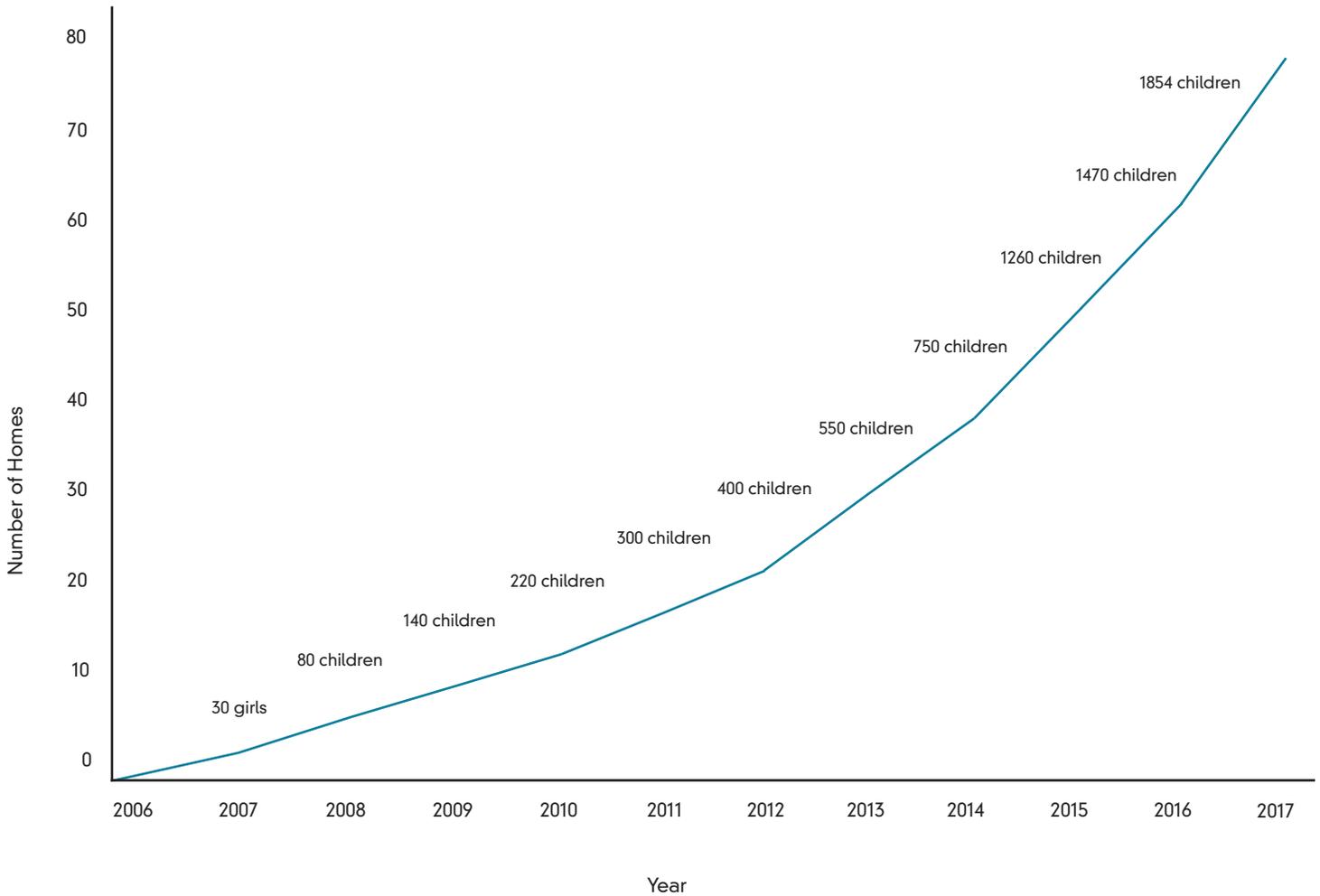
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	1,644,466
Temporarily restricted	444,215
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>2,088,681</b>
<b>Total Net Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>	<b>2,122,812</b>

## Expenses by %



\*Funds that have been raised by our workers and are allocated for their support.

# Growth Chart



## Remember Nhu Board of Directors

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|----------------|---|
| Carl Ralston   | Founder & President since 2005          |
| Steve Marshall | Vice President since 2005               |
| John Pries     | Vice President of Operations since 2014 |
| Vern Boersma   | Treasurer since 2013                    |
| Barbara Kisley | Board Member since 2010                 |
| Mike McDonald  | Board Member since 2012                 |
| Jim McWhinnie  | Board Member since 2009                 |
| Debbie Vik     | Board Member since 2007                 |
| Corrine Haning | Board Member since 2016                 |





# Forward-Focused

*A Remember Nhu Update*

Update

**W**hat's new with Remember Nhu? As we reflect on this past year, we sense a great amount of momentum heading into the next. Here are some of the things that excite us about the near future:

## ***Expansion through Foster Care***

Recent open doors for foster care in Moldova have encouraged us to pursue similar leads in surrounding eastern-European countries. Look for us to expand our prevention work into additional European countries this next year through foster care.

## ***Church Partnerships***

Do you attend or know of a church that could benefit from joining the work of ending child sex slavery through prevention? We are looking to partner with more churches in mutually beneficial relationships to prevent more children around the world from being sold. To arrange a meeting for your church's pastor and Carl (President), please contact: [info@remembernhu.org](mailto:info@remembernhu.org)

## ***Peer-To-Peer Fundraising***

We want to make it even easier for you to raise money for Remember Nhu when it is in your heart to do so. We will be introducing opportunities through our website for you to create your own donation campaigns that will make it easier for you to invite your friends to donate to Remember Nhu causes in fun ways.

## ***Improved Infrastructure***

### ***Donor Communication***

We are soon introducing improved donor communication, especially in the area of child sponsorship. This will include quarterly updated photos of your sponsor child and new opportunities for correspondence.

### ***Staff Care***

We will be introducing a more comprehensive staff on-boarding process to facilitate the transition of new Remember Nhu team members to their roles and host countries. We also look forward to the continued development and progress related to growth plan tools we introduced last year, as well as the processes established for building greater emotional and spiritual strength across the organization.

## ***Empowerment of Indigenous Workers***

This year we plan to introduce Remember Nhu Armor Bearers. These are men and women stateside who will commit to come along side and encourage one of our indigenous house parents through a devoted "long-distance" friendship. An Armor Bearer will also invest in the indigenous worker through either a monthly financial sponsorship or by helping the indigenous worker to raise financial support. If you are interested in becoming an Armor Bearer, please contact us: [info@remembernhu.org](mailto:info@remembernhu.org)

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Your generosity is making  
a *difference* in the lives  
of so many.

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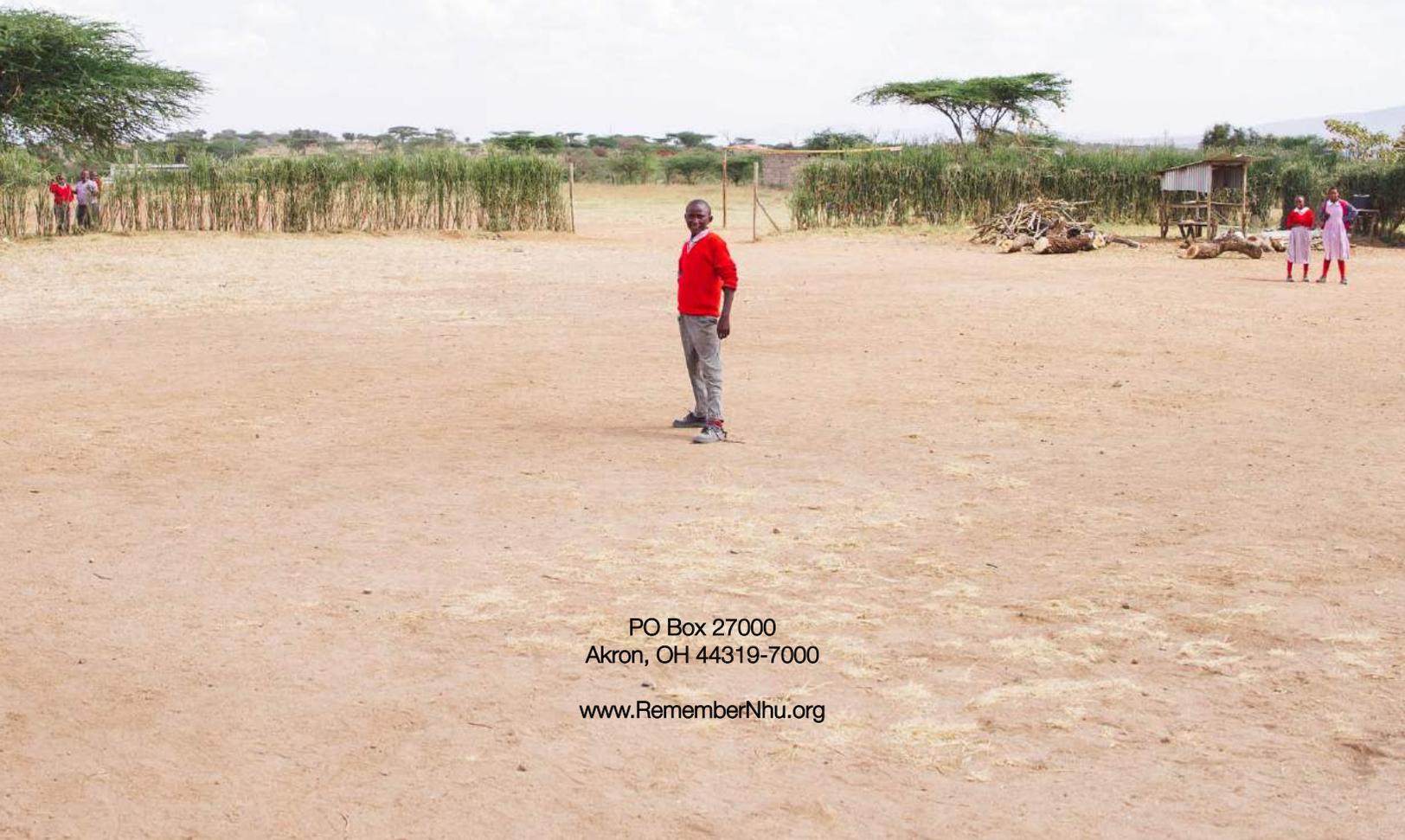
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