THE 2018 BUILDING CHALLENGE
YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF ORPHANED AND ABANDONED CHILDREN...

...by working with One Heart to build and renovate facilities that will provide a home for 20 more orphaned and abandoned children currently living in poverty in Kenya, and create the spaces for them to live, learn and play as part of a loving family environment.

This opportunity allows you to use your skills, whether you are a qualified tradesperson or would better define yourself as an unskilled labourer willing to pitch in to make a difference. The main criteria is that you are willing to contribute to something bigger than yourself.
the challenge

Over the 2 weeks you’ll be based in Eldoret, Kenya, the challenge is to complete building works and maintenance in Turbo. Depending on capacity and final team numbers, the team may also get involved in the construction of the high school and boarding house at the main Turbo village.

the accommodation

The accommodation for the Building Challenge is simple and humble and will provide an authentic African experience. The team will be based in the homestead that will be getting renovated on the Soy property. There may be several nights spent in the One Heart tents or on site at Turbo village.

There will also be one nights accommodation in Nairobi at the end of the trip with dinner at Carnivore’s (a must do experience).
the experience

This Building Challenge will provide a truly unique ‘money can’t buy’ African experience.

While the trip is primarily focused on the construction project, it’s the time that you spend in the children’s village, getting to know the One Heart team, playing with our amazing kids and seeing the genuine need of the broader community that will impact you the most. Everyone that comes away from a One Heart trip in Kenya feel that they have personally taken away more than they have physically put in...it’s a very rewarding experience.

Based in the new Soy homestead, you will get to live and work in a typical Kenyan village...this is not a holiday destination! Throughout the 2 weeks the team will take part in a range of day trips, look at new One Heart projects and meet some of our partner organisations.

There will also be a trip to Lake Victoria, source of the Nile River in Uganda, which will be an overnight stay.

the team

The team will be made up of a mixture of people of vary skills, from qualified tradesman to your ‘handyman’ types, through to some that are there to just help wherever they can. Its about working together alongside other skilled and unskilled Kenyan tradespeople to achieve a target.

The team will be lead by Tony O’Neill, a board member of One Heart Kenya and qualified tradesman. He will be joined by our the Kenyan host and One Heart Kenya general manager, Ben Koech.
You will be exposed to the realities of poverty and what can be done to change it as we visit the street kid’s shelters, slums and get to meet the many friends and partners of One Heart.

You can take part as an individual or as a small group. The total group will be around 10 people and is open to participants from anywhere in the world, subject to an application process.

We will get our hands dirty as we get involved in some building work at the One Heart Children’s Village so you can leave your mark. Here we also get to spend some time at the One Heart School and get to know the kids.

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how are we progressing?

One Heart Village - Turbo

Our first village in Turbo, a small village in north-west Kenya, is set on 12 acres on the banks of the Turbo River. It is continuing to develop as we work to raise funds for each additional classroom and home that is required to be constructed.

- We currently care for 75 children in a series of homes.
- We operate a nursery and primary school educating 200 children and growing.
- The school IT facilities are also used to teach basic computer skills to locals.
- We delivered a new secondary school which opened in January 2018.

One Heart Village - Soy

Our second village in Soy, 30 minutes north of the Turbo village, was purchased in 2016. Set on an 8 acre property, it includes an original homestead and dairy farm which will soon be home to another 25 One Heart children.

One Heart Foundation recently ran an International Design Competition to design a new children’s village on the site. 45 teams of architects from 21 different countries participated, with the winning design coming from Malaysia.

Development on the new eco-village will commence in late 2018 as we continue to raise funds.
how are we progressing?

We have recently commenced working in the rural villages of eastern Uganda. Initially we are establishing water and energy projects to provide fresh water and electricity to the existing community, while we continue to establish ourselves and work towards the completion of an entire children’s eco-village for 100 orphaned Ugandan children.

Social Enterprise Projects

In order to provide nutritious food for our children, as well as generate an income for each village, we have established several social enterprise initiatives including:

- 8 head dairy farm
- 1500 head poultry farm
- 3000 head aquaculture ponds
- Agriculture/greenhouses
- Bakery
- Van hire service
the goals

- Get involved in the construction of the two new childrens homes, teachers accommodation, transition homes, dinning hall, skills training centre and boarding house at the main Turbo village.
- Complete general building maintenance at the main Turbo village including primary and high school.

you can fundraise

Target: $1000 per person.

While it isn’t a requirement, we would really encourage team members to consider setting a small fundraising target to contribute to the cost of the construction works. You may be surprised how many friends, family and colleagues are inspired by what you are doing and would welcome the opportunity to contribute such worthy and direct cause.

We can assist you in creating a simple crowdfunding page that you can use to share with your network and on social media. Its very easy and can increase your impact on this trip.
how to get involved?

THE DATES
The team will depart Melbourne on Thursday 27th December 2018, flying to Nairobi to then reach the One Heart Village in Eldoret. Following the building challenge the team will depart Nairobi on Friday 11th January 2019. The group booking for the international flight is ex. Melbourne so please notify us if you intend to travel to or from an alternate destination as this may incur additional expenses.

THE COSTS
Building Challenge Costs: $1800
All inclusive of internal flights, accommodation, food and in country transport.

International Flights: $2,200* economy class.
*These prices are approximate and are based on ex/return from Melbourne.

Participants will be required to obtain Visa’s, Vaccinations, Travel Insurance and Working With Children Check at own cost.
who is One Heart Foundation?

The Building Challenge is an initiative of One Heart, a Christian based not for profit organisation founded in 2007 out of Melbourne, Australia, and working in Kenya to alleviate poverty. Through the financial support of child sponsors, local business and churches in Australia, One Heart has grown to now care for 75 orphaned and abandoned children and is continuing to build children’s homes and schools that are a tool to changing lives for generations to come.

One Heart director, Dean Landy, is focused on creating a financially, environmentally and socially sustainable series of villages that will lift children out of poverty, who were otherwise left to die on the streets, and provide them with hope for a new future by providing them with a high quality education, good health and most importantly a loving family. Dean is also an architect and Partner of Melbourne firm ClarkeHopkinsClarke.

Find out more about us at www.oneheart.foundation

One Heart, in partnership with Go International Aid Inc, is an approved project of World Relief Australia which provides the Deductible Gift Recipient status for Australian taxpayers. www.wra.org.au

‘Don’t be overwhelmed by the problem, instead be inspired by the challenge.’
Dean Landy
'History will judge us by the difference we make in the lives of children.'

Nelson Mandela

Meet some of the One Heart kids
when is this happening?

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Register your interest now by completing the “registration of interest” form, and returning to info@oneheart.foundation.

Once your registration is received we will contact you to discuss your application and further information.

You can contact us on ph: (+61) 0421 285 783 or email: info@oneheart.foundation or visit the website for more info.
To be part of this once in a lifetime experience, please register your interest using the form below or online at www.oneheart.foundation, and we will then contact you with further information and registration confirmation.

First Name: __________________________
Surname: ____________________________
Business Organisation: __________________________
Address: ____________________________
Suburb / City: __________________________
Postcode / Zipcode: __________________________
Country: ____________________________
Phone No.: ____________________________
Email: ____________________________

D.O.B (dd/mm/yy): ________________  Sex:  F  /  M
If part of a team please nominate other team members names: ____________________________
Signature: ____________________________
Date: ______ / _____ / 20____

What are you hoping to achieve by taking part in the 2018 Building Challenge?

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Complete this registration form, scan and return this form to info@oneheart.foundation
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‘There are few things in life as satisfying as sitting with an orphaned child, abandoned to the streets of Africa, knowing that you can do something to transform their world...and then doing it. It puts our lives into perspective.’

Dean Landy