

OMO CHILD TAKEAWAY



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**Omo Child
Foundation**



Our Work Is Far From Over

Mingi continues to be practiced in both the Hamar and the Banna tribes. As long as Mingi is still practiced, our family continues to grow. This year-end our goal is to find just people like YOU to donate to support the care and feeding of the Omo Child Family. We are asking you to take the leap – join the family and usher in a bright future for the children of our Omo Family.

media



Omo Child Video Playlist

'Interview with the director: Reel Local: Omo Child - The River and the Bush'

'Lale Labuko TedxMidAtlantic Talk: Fighting tribal practices to save the lives of children in Ethiopia'

'Interview with the director: Photographer John Rowe'

'Lale Labuko Lale On Dangers He Faces Rescuing Mingi Children'

'The Babies of Omo Child'

'The Omo Valley with Steve McCurry'

OMO CHILD: THE RIVER AND THE BUSH

by John Rowe

Omo Child: The River and the Bush tells the amazing true story of a young man's journey to end an ancient tribal practice. Filmed over a five-year period, this documentary paints a stunning portrait of Ethiopia as it follows Lale's journey confronting his own death, negotiating against deeply rooted superstition, and navigating the difficult position of leading a cultural movement.

articles + resources



OmoChild.org News + Updates
'Breaking With Brutal Traditions'
'Turning Curses Into Blessings'
'Why the Kara Tribe Formally Ended Its Child Sacrifice Practice'
'Lale Labuko, Humanitarian Information – National Geographic'

OMO CHILD FOUNDATION WISH LIST

iPADS, iPADS, iPADS

If you have upgraded your iPad and have an older model to spare, please consider donating it to OMO CHILD. We're loading the iPads with a variety of educational apps to help our kids improve their logic, math, and English language skills. So far, we have delivered 10 iPads to the children and they are a big hit! All children love learning, especially when it's fun. We're hoping to collect at least 10 more iPads so that all of our older children currently attending school will have their own. John Rowe will be returning to Ethiopia in July, so he can carry more iPads with him.

CLOTHING & SHOES

All parents know how quickly children outgrow their clothing. We're always in need of new and/or "gently used" clothing and shoes for our children in Jinka. Our boys and girls currently range in age from 1 year to 9 years. Any clothes or shoes for children up to around 12 years would be greatly appreciated. We kindly ask that all items be new or in very good condition. (Note: Ethiopia is a temperate climate but evening temps during part of the year can get down into the 50s F.)

THE NEW VEHICLE FUND

OMO CHILD has one vehicle in Jinka (a 4-year-old Toyota 4-Runner) for all of our needs. This includes driving our children to school when necessary (rainy days are often), grocery and supply shopping at the local market, hospital trips to Addis Ababa (2 day drive each way) and Arba Minch & Awassa (which are each 5-6 hours away), as well as trips to the Omo Valley villages regarding Mingi rescues, education, and awareness efforts.

The roads in the South Omo region are extremely rough on vehicles. We need a second, larger vehicle (van size) to help transport more children and supplies, while ensuring we always have one vehicle in service for our children. Right now, it's challenging when our only vehicle is in the shop for repairs, has gone to the Omo to meet with the tribes, or has taken a child to the doctor or hospital in the larger cities (on multi-day trips).

Due to the extremely high Vehicle Tax in Ethiopia (VAT), a new modest van for OMO CHILD will cost around \$60,000. Please consider a donation towards this goal of providing us with more reliable transportation.

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August 23, 7:30 pm

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