Construction Details

- The orphanage will be made of 22 pound interlocking bricks. The bricks are made of red soil and 10% cement and are very hard. The inside walls will be finished with white cement and the outside walls will be sealed with an acrylic sealer.
- The foundation is one meter deep that was determined by soil analysis.
- The orphanage is 12,500 square feet. An estimation of $35 a square foot for construction includes everything from footings, foundation, interior walls and roofing.
- The orphanage building estimated to cost $437,500.

Construction:
- We train our own workers for construction under supervision.
- Sometimes teams from the United States come to assist in the construction under the supervision of our contractor. We welcome them especially carpenters and plumbers, but all can assist.

Personnel:
- Sele Shabani is our contractor, Albert Kaali is our local architect. Dr. Dennis Lofstrom does all preliminary planning of the buildings to ensure patient flow and buildings which meet medical needs.
- Pama Architects is our local architectural firm.

IHP TZ and JEMA (IHP-JEMA)

IHP-TZ has joined with JEMA (another local NGO non-governmental organization) for the building of the children’s hospital. They are invaluable in assisting with local and national regulations. The chair of JEMA is a local Tanzanian pediatrician who is esteemed throughout the country. Dr. Jesse Kitundu will also be the doctor in charge of the hospital. The members of IHP-JEMA who have come from JEMA are also in charge of local fundraising. In addition new rules forbid foreigners from owning land, so partnering with JEMA is the answer. Both IHP US and the IHP-TZ boards whole heartedly approved it, and we are delighted to join together for the Children’s Hospital.

Orphanage: Children from Birth to Age of Two

Why build an orphanage for babies from birth to two years?

- In Tanzania, one woman dies every hour in a child birthing incident. Both mother and infant mortality is very high.
- The baby is left without a mother and it is often difficult to find someone who will care and feed a newborn baby.

How does the family stay involved?

- They select someone who will care for the baby after two years of age.
- The family pays 10,000 shillings per month (about $7) and must visit the baby at least once a month in order to build bonding with the baby.
- The family is taught basic care of the child.

This shows one of 18 rooms with three cribs in each room. The other rooms are for small children bathrooms, bathing rooms, dressing room and other essential needs.
**Why do we need this project at this time?**

In Tanzania, a woman dies every hour from childbirth complications. If the newborn survives, finding someone to feed and care for the baby is often a problem. Formula is expensive. Many die, therefore this orphanage will save lives by feeding and caring for the infant for the first two years.

A contract is signed by the family asking them to contribute $7 per month for the care. This does not cover the cost but does ensure family involvement. The family also assigns someone in the family to care for the child after 2 years. They must visit the child every month in order to bond with the baby.

The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare will also be involved in the selection of newborns for the orphanage.

**How will it be financed?**

IHP-JEMA owns the land, so there is no cost for land. In fact the 45 acres we own has a lot of room for the orphanage.

The estimated cost of the orphanage is: $ 437,500 or $35 a square foot.

We depend on **donors** to provide the money to build the orphanage. Sometimes several churches or organizations go together to raise money for the building. Occasionally one person will provide enough money for the building. Sometimes an entire town adopts a building.

We will call the orphanage any name the donors provide.

For your information, we audit all our accounts every year both in the US and Tanzania and all the audits are clean and accurate. Copies are available upon request. We feel donors should always be assured that we are doing what we say we do and using your gifts as you would want them to be used.

**What can I do?**

- Tell the story of the need for the orphanage to friends, organizations and other people.
- Make a designated donation for the building...once or monthly. To do this, mail a check to our US address. This is then placed in a special account so that your donation is only used for this building. Remember, we are building 20 buildings for the hospital.
- Pray for this project.
- Encourage family and friends to donate.
- Find other organizations or churches that would be interested in hearing the story. Dr. Dennis and Paula Lofstrom travel all over the United States and Canada and would be happy to show up and talk about the project. You can contact them at paulalofstrom@yahoo.com. She always answers emails promptly.

**Check out our website at www.ihptz.org**

Remember that there are 20 other buildings. If you are interested in another building, email us at paulalofstrom@yahoo.com for a copy of another brochure or go to our website for details.