**WATOTO NEIGHBOURHOOD TOUR**

ALLEN’S STORY, ONE OF OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD MOTHERS

Africa’s greatest resource is her women, empowered. Women like Allen.

As a young mother, Allen was widowed, left to raise her three children all alone. Upon discovering she was HIV positive, Allen was rejected by everyone around her. To Allen, life felt hopeless. But God did not abandon her, and one day she felt the love of Jesus through a simple hug from a woman at Watoto.

Shortly afterwards, Allen was welcomed into Watoto Neighbourhood where she received spiritual discipleship, counseling, adult literacy classes, skills training and most importantly, she discovered a faith in Jesus—and her life has never been the same.

Allen went from feeling discouraged and hopeless to encouraging other vulnerable women as she teaches them their value in Christ.

This is how we are working to break the cycle of poverty. By embracing women in our communities with the love of Jesus and giving them a skill that will not only impact their lives, but will impact generations to come.