

## PASTOR JOHN WANDERA – UGANDA



My name is John Wandera married to Jesca Wandera and together we have 30 children 18 sons and 12 daughters. We live in Mbale City, Uganda.

I received Christ at the age of 16 years that is 43 years ago from a strong Catholic family. My father had desired that I become a Catholic priest before I received Christ but it didn't work for him so he was not happy with my new journey with Christ and that's how persecution against me arose. I really suffered, denied many rights but I never gave up on Christ.

I developed a strong passion for Christ, for serving Him and reaching people with the saving gospel of Christ. I could walk on foot 32 kilometers to church where I was discipled. In my early 20s I begun reaching the rural parts of the Uganda and plant churches, later I founded Christian Fellowship Ministries, since then we have planted over 700 churches in Uganda, South Sudan and Kenya.

After the death of my only biological brother in 1997, God spoke to me to become a Father to the Fatherless that's how I founded New Generation Orphan Care (NGOC) to give hope to the orphans, abandoned and needy children and over 600 orphans have been educated and hope restored.

I also started 2 schools in rural areas where there no schools, though these schools are struggling but at least children receive education and the gospel.

Later, God sent me to plant a church in another City called Mbale where we are currently. The church started in a bar but by God's grace we are now established.

I look forward to meeting you on this trip to Australia and share more about my life, family and ministry. See you soon.