



YOUR PRESENTATION GUIDE

Start planning today! This guide will help you create a powerful presentation. You're welcome to use the sample scripts or feel free to use your own words.

1. Start by introducing yourself.

If you're a OneChild sponsor, talk a little bit about your sponsorship journey. If you're not a sponsor yet, explain why you're passionate about OneChild's ministry. Nothing inspires others more than hearing your personal story!

Example: "Hi, my name is (your name). Welcome to our 'Hope in Acton' event! I'm excited to talk to you about OneChild's ministry. I'll start by telling you about my sponsorship story. (Number of years) ago, I started sponsoring a child through OneChild — a ministry that's committed to bringing hope to the hard places. (Show a photo of your sponsored child.) "This is (child's name). (He/She) is (age) and lives in (country). I chose to sponsor (him/her) because (your reason). My sponsorship helps provide life-changing care for (him/her) — physically, emotionally and spiritually. I've also had the opportunity to build a relationship with my child through letters and offer encouragement and hope." (Show your child's letters.) I've been so blessed (share how sponsorship has blessed you — if you've taken a trip with OneChild be sure to talk about that too).

PRO TIP: If your pastor — or a friend — is willing to help, have him/her interview you! Or, if you are a pastor, interview a sponsor from your church.

Examples of interview questions: *How long have you been sponsoring a child? Why did you start sponsoring? How did you choose your child? Can you tell us about your child (name/ age/family/country/hobbies, etc.)? Have you gotten to travel and meet your child (if not, do you hope to in the future)? How has sponsoring a child impacted your life and your family? What have you learned? How has this changed your sponsored child's life? What's your favorite part about sponsoring? What would you say to someone who is thinking about sponsoring a child but isn't sure?*

2. Talk about the issues of poverty.

Example: "Next, I'd like to explain why sponsorship is so important. It's heartbreaking that millions of children around the world live in extreme poverty. Most of these families live on less than \$2 a day. It's usually children who suffer the most. This often means no food. No clean water. No healthcare. And no education. Poverty leaves children vulnerable to abuse, neglect and exploitation. Many of these children also live in emotional poverty — they feel hopeless and give up on their dreams. Sadly, many of them also live in spiritual poverty. They need to hear the good news — that they have a heavenly Father who loves them more than they can imagine."

3. Tell your audience about OneChild's life-changing ministry.

Example: And that's why I'm so passionate about OneChild. Because kids around the world receive medical checkups, nutritious food, educational opportunities, mentoring, and they learn about God's love. It's inspiring that OneChild works in some of the hardest places on earth — many areas are dangerous and highly remote, even lacking infrastructure and roads. But OneChild believes in taking God's love to the ends of the earth. They are creating a global community of Child Champions — people like you and me — who are changing children's lives!

4. Share the video — this will help people see the power of sponsorship.

Example of an introduction: "But don't take my word for it — watch this video and see the difference that sponsorship truly makes in a child's life."

5. Invite people to become Child Champions and sponsor a child.

Example: "Today, you can change a child's life forever. You can become a Child Champion and give a child hope for the future! When you sponsor a child, you help provide life-changing care and you share God's love. Your life will be changed too. You'll be so blessed as you exchange letters and build a special relationship with your child. Your words of encouragement will make all the difference. Many kids around the world don't have strong role models. This is an opportunity to speak truth into a child's life! Sponsoring a boy or girl is a powerful way to live out your faith. Did you know that in the Bible there are more than 2,000 verses on poverty and justice? God has incredible compassion for those in need. I believe that when we sponsor a child, we bring joy to God's heart. Please embrace this opportunity to help a child break the cycle of poverty and learn about God's love. Start praying now that God leads you to the child that He wants you to sponsor! Be sure to stop by the table in (location) after the service. I'll be there to help. I look forward to talking with you!"

PRO TIP: When you're encouraging people to sponsor a child, ask your pastor to join you in this important invitation.

You are welcome to contact us at events@onechild.org with questions.

It's that simple! We are so grateful for you. Your compassion in action will give children in hard places true hope!