

# Long Term Volunteering

*Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.*  
(Chinese proverb)



## Ijamido Children & Motherless Homes

*in Nigeria, hosted by VWAN Nigeria*

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Ilo Awela Road, Sango, Ogun State
<b>Duration:</b>	Six (6) months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications is available throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate.
<b>Vacancies</b>	3
<b>Languages:</b>	
↪ <b>Project:</b>	English
↪ <b>Local:</b>	English

*If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>*

### **Project Description:**

Ijamido Children Home was founded in 1958 by Mrs Irene Willoughby, who recognized the need of a home for abandoned children. Now, the home is run by the first baby that was hosted in this home. There are about 150 children in the home, from newborn babies to university-attendants. Most of the children were found somewhere in the bush or on the road, abandoned by their parents (due to unwanted pregnancy or not being able to raise the child financially).

**Notice:** *This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.*

**Work:** Volunteer is free to choose any tasks for him/herself and would be guided by the Home Staff. Morning activities include care for babies, carry them around, change pampers, feed them and play with them. After the older children come back from school, he/she can help with homework (which is one of the major problems with the mass of over 100 children and just few staff), but also give extra lessons to smaller groups of children. Afternoon tasks includes arrange for games, sports, and any other entertainment. He/she can also associate with the older inhabitants, that are the age of college-attendants.

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** VWAN will provide local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

**Accommodation:** Accommodation will be in a room - dormitories existing in the Farm. The farm camp is big and has accommodation facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available.

**Pocket money:** None

**Insurance:** Health Insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure is important and should be secured and VWAN can help you in case you need further advise on this part.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**Visa:** Please note that 3 months is for Business Visa but less than 6 months stay. If your stay is more than 6 months, STR Visa should be collected before departure. Tourist Visa is only allowed for 1 month.

**Others:** Clean water is sometimes available. But most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project. There is no extra fees charged for pickup.