



Pastor Julius & Vernita Rwotlonyo

Pastor Julius Rwotlonyo is the Team Leader at Watoto Church Ministries, a vibrant cell-based community church. More than 35,000 people attend service at its 17 campuses in Uganda, Juba, South Sudan and online.

He gives spiritual and leadership oversight of the strategic implementation of the church vision. Watoto cares for community by rescuing vulnerable children and providing them with holistic care in three children's villages.

Speaking on the role of the church in society today, Julius firmly believes that the Church is the hope of the world. "As a church, we need be relevant to the needs of community. Over and above our love for Jesus, we must pay attention to the things that break His heart. We must care for our community by getting involved in it," he says.

Julius is happily married to Vernita Rwotlonyo and together they have four lovely children - Hayil, Hank, Hannela and Halyn.

Vernita serves alongside Pastor Julius and also oversees Watoto Neighbourhood - an initiative that empowers vulnerable women, restoring them to a life of dignity so they're able to look after themselves and their children. The program's preventative arm - Keep a Girl in School - comes alongside local schools in Uganda and South Sudan to reduce the dropout rate, teaching girls their value in Christ, igniting their passion for education and empower them for the future.

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