

**AID TO ORPHANS**

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**A FILM BY TIM STOUT**

**CALL HER MAMA**



## Why a “Call Her Mama” video documentary project?

We have millions of reasons. And each one has a face. They are the AIDS orphans of South Africa. Orphans that will number over 3 million by the year 2015.

The numbers are both desperate and grim. And sadly, there is more...

- 32 percent of all children in the nation will have lost one or both parents to AIDS by 2015. (South African Institute of Race Relations)
- Between 1.5 and 3 million children have already been orphaned by one or both parents. (S.A. UNGASS Country Progress Report)
- 5.7 million people were living with HIV or AIDS in South Africa in 2009 – more than in any other country in the world. (UNAIDS)
- 365,000 South Africans die of AIDS every year. That’s 1000 people every single day.
- 58 percent of children live in dire poverty, on less than \$1 a day.
- 280,000 South African CHILDREN under the age of 15 are living with HIV today. (UNAIDS)

Staggering statistics, yes. But one South African widow is making hope a possibility by rising to confront the desperation in her own community.

**Our project tells her story...**



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Mama Nozake has experienced more than her share of heartbreak in life. She witnessed the murder of her husband. Her own parents died of AIDS. Her daughter, after having two children, discovered she is HIV-positive. Mama Nozake now raises her two grandchildren in a tiny house to which her daughter has returned, no longer able to work because of her HIV status.

Having faced so many obstacles, and with no more than a fifth grade education, how is it that this woman became “Mama” to her community of Motherwell, South Africa? It is a story that begs to be told. It is a story the world needs to hear.

By telling Mama Nozake’s story, we hope to bring awareness to the plight of South Africa’s AIDS orphans...to show the heart of Mama Nozake’s amazing mission...and to bring both help and hope from those inspired to make a difference for so many children who have neither.

## Our Mission

By telling Mama Nozake’s story and showing the heart of her mission, we hope to bring awareness to the plight of South Africa’s AIDS orphans, and to bring both help and hope from those inspired to make a difference for the children this disease leaves behind.



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## About Our Director/Producer

Tim Stout is a Technical Consultant to the Creative Division of Hallmark Cards for video and multi-media projects. His background also includes 11 years of teaching art and computer programming.

Tim's interest in visual storytelling began in college, when he majored in art with a concentration in photography. As his focus transitioned to video over the last several years, he has worked on numerous projects, including an orphan relief video project in KwaZulu-Natal, a promotional piece for Project Partner-China, and a range of projects for Oceans of Mercy-South Africa.

After taking several trips to South Africa, Tim found himself inspired to tell the remarkable story of Mama Nozake, an inspirational presence in the midst of South Africa's AIDS crisis. He formed the group A2O (Aid to Orphans), leaning primarily on professional colleagues from Hallmark to assist him in completing the "Call Her Mama" project.



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