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**Local Man Chosen as Finalist for ChildFund's Facebook Promotion**

*Finalist is one of five in the nation to possibly travel across the globe to visit their sponsored child*

**Richmond, Va.** – July 20, 2011 – Last month, David Levis, of Citrus Heights, Calif., thought he was only able to communicate his five ChildFund International sponsored children in Uganda, through letters and photos. Now, because of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, he may be able to meet those children face-to-face, but he needs the public's help.

Levis is one of five randomly selected qualified finalists in ChildFund International's "The Experience of a Lifetime" Facebook promotion. The organization, which creates one-to-one connections through child sponsorships, created the promotion with its thousands of sponsors and children in mind.

"Take a second to imagine having the chance to visit a child you have a relationship with, but have never met," says Anne Lynam Goddard, ChildFund president and CEO. "To meet and see first-hand the impact made in a child's life, or in David's case five children, will move him more than he could ever imagine."

Levis and the other finalists have each written an essay explaining why they should be chosen to visit their sponsored child. Followers of ChildFund International's Facebook page will be able to vote on the essays to support that person's quest for "The Experience of a Lifetime."

"Since my wife and I began working with ChildFund, we found child after child in terrible need of our help. Our ChildFund family grew from one to two, then five, then nine, then thirteen," Levis says. "As a high school teacher, I use this firsthand information to help teach my students about the importance of global citizenship, and how they too can look for ways to help people around the world."

Those interested in the promotion can:

- Go to [Facebook.com/ChildFundInternational](http://Facebook.com/ChildFundInternational)
- Select the "Experience of a Lifetime" tab  
(<http://apps.facebook.com/experienceoflife>)
- Review the essays and vote

Followers of ChildFund's Facebook page are allowed multiple votes, but only one vote per day. Voting begins on July 20 and runs through July 31.

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