



# Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors,

Many of you would like to correspond with your child. Here are a few guidelines:

- Be sure to put your child's number and name on the top portion of any correspondence.
- Please type or print neatly. (Maximum of 3-4 lines for 5-6 year olds. This can be expanded when your child is old enough to read English.)
- Keep it simple. Write about things your child can relate to such as your family, pets, sports, hobbies, climate differences and your activities. As you write, encourage your child in schoolwork and in their relationship with the Lord.
- Please avoid references to things you own, such as cars, the size of your home, or material possessions. These children come from poverty, and this can give them the wrong impression.
- Photographs of your family are very much appreciated as it will help your child get to know you, and see what you look like.
- Please refer only to the state or province in which you live, not the city. For your privacy and protection, we do NOT allow direct mailings. Mail your correspondence to us and we will forward it. Our policy also does not allow us to send maps, addresses or phone numbers.
- Although we can't send gifts to the children during the year, you may include items with your correspondence if they will fit in a small or medium size envelope. For example: stickers, bookmarks, greeting cards, or a photo of you and your family. A gift of clothing and/or school supplies can be sent to our office by no later than mid-January for shipment in the containers. Contact us to make arrangements. Special arrangements can be made to give extra help to your child's family in the form of "credit" at the "duka" (on-campus store) for the basics such as beans, rice, corn, kerosene, soap, etc. A twelve-month period is suggested at \$5 per week. Some sponsors have helped in greater ways. For example: a tin roof, concrete floor, or even a whole new house! We can let you know the cost or needs if you would like to help in this way.
- An extra donation can be made at anytime for the "birthday" fund. Many of the children do not know the date of their birth. But, on occasion, we have an "Everybody" birthday party.

We hope that you find these suggestions helpful, and that you will write to your child. For questions please contact us at [sakila@sakilasponsorship.org](mailto:sakila@sakilasponsorship.org) or 360-876-3737.

In the service of our Lord,

Gene and Lorraine Anderson