

Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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"How great is our God!" Sing with me, "How great is our God! All will see how great, how great is our God!" We just returned from our annual visit to Sakila where we attend the October promotion of students from the Primary and Secondary schools. 58 students completed Standard 7 at the Primary School level and 57 finished Form 4 at the Secondary School. Their advancement to their next level of education is always a highlight of our trip. About 2,000 students, relatives, and guests showed up to celebrate these young people and their accomplishments by sharing in the graduation ceremony and a meal. This is what you have been hoping for when you began to sponsor that little boy or girl, isn't it? We wish we could transport you all to Sakila to see this marvelous sight. The three handsome lads (pictured below) are now in Form 5. That's about the equivalent of College prep classes in the States.

The smaller photo was taken in 2003 when they began. They are very serious about their studies and we couldn't be happier for them.







3, have joined our Form 5. Others have "joined different colleges" according to the report of the Headmistress, Debora, given at graduation. She also lauded the teachers at the Primary level for advancing students with a good level of learning experience upon which the Secondary School can build. Your investment is so worth your sacrifice! Not every child will achieve the level of success we expect from these lads, but every child will benefit from whatever time they get to spend in the classroom. The most that can be done is what you are doing, supporting the schools through your prayers and giving. We are so happy to be a part of what God is doing in Sakila.

You have been very generous in responding to last month's request for help to purchase corn. We will continue to use the extras you send for this purpose and if that need is met we will begin to purchase rice for the 2016 school year. Their local rice has some rocks in it, but it is so much more practical to purchase from the local farmers than to pay shipping from the U.S. May God richly bless you for your continued support of these precious children as they seek to make a difference in their own lives, the lives of their family members, and their countrymen. We bring you the gratefulness of the students and families of Sakila — they so appreciate your prayers and support!

Together with you in His service,

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