



Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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It's so exciting to ponder and plan for our trip to Sakila this year. We'll be participating in a special ceremony for the first class to graduate from the Primary School. Much preparation has taken place already. Martha's Helpers, from our church's sewing group, and the ladies from the sewing group in Oregon, worked more diligently than usual to make *extra* quilts. They have already been sent to Sakila, and are there waiting for us so that we can not only give a quilt to each kindergarten child, which is our custom, but also a quilt to each 7th grade graduate. Each will also receive a bible and a certificate of accomplishment. This is a big milestone for the children *and* for the school. The next step for these young scholars will be a Secondary School — already under construction. We are witnesses that God isn't just "*sometimes*" faithful, or "*consistently*" faithful, which is to imply "almost always" faithful. Instead, God is *continually* faithful, all the time without interruption, to meet the needs of all believers according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Truly, He hears and answers prayer! Godwin has just returned from Sakila having chosen the children for the class of 2011. We asked him to do this early in the year to give us a chance to get as many sponsored as we can before school begins in January. We requested he do the impossible — choose just 50 out of about 300 who come in hopes of getting to go to school. Well, he came back with 62. He tried his best, but that's the way it turned out. Including the children of sponsors who were unable continue due to lost employment and just plain tough economic times, 72 children in total need sponsors. But, we know God will provide. Please pray with us! Godwin also brought a story of gratitude from one of our most faithful employees. Thanks to the support of a young couple from Poulsbo, Mama Malaki was the second staff member able to get her teaching degree. She is one of three who have been teaching the children of Sakila since before there was a school. She writes:

Dear Sponsor, I just want to say thank you for sponsoring me to get more education so I can be a better teacher. I started my course (Early Childhood Education) in July 2009 and finished it in December 2009. After finishing the course I was sent back to Sluys/Anderson Primary School to do a two-month practice before I can be tested and given my final score. In March I was evaluated and given a passing grade. I feel very blessed to have this chance to increase my education so I can teach the children better. Without your sponsorship this would not be possible so I want to say that, God bless you very much and I continue to pray for you and your family. Thank you.
~ Mama Magreth Malaki



Other news: We were excited to hear that several teachers stayed over the June/July break to continue preparing fourth and seventh grade students for their government exams. This gives the children a better probability of obtaining a passing grade. Please watch for back-to-school specials. We can use pencils, pens, and paper. Look for those one and five cent bargains! Again this year we were able to get dress shirts from Penney's for the teaching staff at less than \$5 each! Do you have any beautiful ties you are not using that you'd be willing to donate? The shirts are all solid colors so just about any good or like new tie will do. Thanks for sharing. God bless you for your faithful support of the children! Remember to help us pray for new sponsors. Thanks to those who in faith have supported an additional child.

Working together with you for the glory of God,

Gene & Perraine Anderson

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