



Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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Can you believe it's September already? Thank you to those who have blessed us by taking advantage of back-to-school specials on paper, notebooks, pens, and pencils. We were able to visit Montana and Wyoming in August — we had a wonderful time. Five more children were sponsored and many significant donations received, plus there were opportunities to encourage sponsors, supporters, and a couple working with school children in Uganda. God bless you, Susan and Duncan, and the wonderful work you are doing. We'll be visiting Sakila ourselves very soon, and we would appreciate your prayers for the trip. There will be eight people going with us, including the sponsors of the little girl in this month's story, JaneMary Julius:

"JaneMary lives in Mareu Village. (Note: this village is over the hill from Sakila and JaneMary probably walks a good four miles or more each day to and from school.) She is in fifth grade. Her father has so many children that he cannot send them all to school. When I and another member of the school staff visited the family, Mr. Julius said that God has blessed the family by JaneMary being sponsored because one day their lives will be changed through Christian education."

~ Patrick Sangito, Headmaster Primary School

JaneMary is known to her sponsors, Hugh & Karen, as JennyMary. Hugh & Karen learned about the sponsorship program in a very unusual way. In 2005, the Bon Marché department store (now Macy's) was having a contest — the prize was an African Safari. Karen, who is not usually interested in giving her name and address anywhere that might get her on someone's mailing list, walked right on by. But, then she turned around, filled out the form, and was later selected as the winner! The prize was for four adults. So they contacted long-time friends, Jerry & Dorothy, and the four of them enjoyed a wonderful Safari including, because they requested it, a visit to a school. Jerry & Dorothy are both retired teachers. The school they visited just happened to be the Primary School in Sakila. Upon arriving home, both couples contacted us to sponsor a child. This year Neema, Jerry & Dorothy's child, is graduating from seventh grade and moving up to Secondary School. So, both couples are going with us in October to celebrate her graduation. How's that for a God-orchestrated event!?!

Occurrences like this could not have been imagined let alone implemented by us. They reassure us of God's love for the people of Sakila and His answer to their sincere prayers for the future of the children. You are all contributing to the future of these young people, and we thank God for each of you! We pray for your health and wellbeing and ask that you pray for us, too, for God to bless the work we are doing together for the future leaders of Sakila and of the nation of Tanzania.

In Christ's love,

Gene & Forraine Anderson



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