



Sakila Sponsorship Program

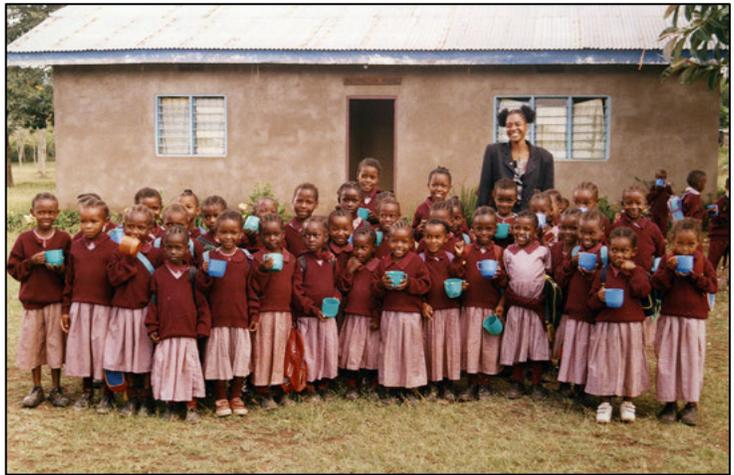
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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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Here's a mystery: How does suffering figure into God's plan for us? Our heart's desire is to relieve the suffering in Sakila, Tanzania — in the short term by offering food and water, in the long term through education, and in the longer term by encouraging self-sufficiency. Yet, there is suffering here at home, too. Many of our supporters are really feeling the crunch of this economy. Some who have been supporters for even eight to ten years are now unable to continue. We encourage them by pointing out how they have helped their child get this far and what a great gift that is. Paul says in Romans 8:18, "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." We know that when we seek to give God the glory, to lift Him up and not ourselves, He will continue to bless the children and families of Sakila. The picture below is the girls of the very first class ten years ago, January 2003. Here' the latest progress report from Godwin:

"After Sluys/Anderson Primary School students took their national exams, we are please to report that we have two students who were honored by being placed in special "elite" schools because of their academic performance. The Tanzanian government has special schools for students who are deemed "exceptional". Our own Robison Peter Ayo and Jerome Laban Issangya were selected to attend two different elite schools. Robison was selected to attend Mzumbe Secondary School, one of the most elite government secondary schools in Tanzania. Jerome Laban Issangya was selected to attend Ilboru Secondary School, also an elite school in Arusha. We are very excited that our school is producing exceptional students who are performing at such a high level. It's also worth noting that, out of 68 students who took the national exam, all but one passed."



We are told that both the Primary and Secondary schools rank among the top 10% in Tanzania, a great credit to the management and staff in Sakila. It always overwhelms us that God is accomplishing all this through the giving of all our sponsors and supporters. Keep looking upward. God has great things in store for the children and families of Sakila. We covet your prayers.

Tax Time Note: Though we try for 100% accuracy, if you feel there is an error in your enclosed tax report for 2012 please contact us right away.

Our annual potluck is **Saturday, January 26th, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.** to be held in the Pearson Fellowship Hall at Gateway Fellowship Church, on the corner of 8th and Hostmark in Poulsbo, Washington. Bishop Eliudi will, as usual, bring us an inspirational message. If your last name begins with A-L please bring a salad or dessert. If it begins with M-Z please bring a main dish, hot or cold. See you at 2:00 in the Fellowship Hall! We'll have a wonderful time of sharing! God bless you!

In Christ's love,

Gene &orraine Anderson

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