

Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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Thank you so much for your continued support for the children and families of Sakila. We are amazed at the blessings our Lord is pouring out upon this little community. These two pictures show the usual methods of obtaining water for all the needs of the household, a task often placed upon the children. Godwin entitled the following story, "From Latrine... to Drinking Water!"



"A couple years ago, as we were in the process of adding boys' dorms to the high school property, one of the things we needed to do simultaneously was to dig a big pit for latrines. I had shown the crew where to dig, but they had changed the location and started digging in a different location. When I returned for my next visit to Sakila, I told them that the location they had changed it to was not going to work. I felt it was too close to living quarters.

So we abandoned that location and dug at the original location. As the digging reached 6 meters the ground seemed to be sweating. So the gentleman that had the job told me that it was getting difficult to dig because it was too muddy. I asked for him to continue patiently until we reached what we felt was an adequate depth. When he reached seven meters (approximately 22 feet) something remarkable happened. The sidewall started to leak water from what he thought was a temporary pocket of water that would surely dry up. But as he kept digging, within a matter of

minutes, he found himself ankle-deep in water. And then he saw it. There was an unmistakable flow of water coming from what he described to look like, "...a small hose with faucet half open."

It then quickly became clear that God had chosen to bless us with water. So, our focus changed from digging a latrine to securing a water well. We were able to use a pump to empty the pit so we could dig a little deeper to create a catch basin. We then secured the top by pouring a concrete slab. We were also able set up piping so we would be able to use either a hand pump or a solar pump.

In November last year our friends, at Family Life Church of Gillette, Wyoming, who are involved in the water ministry in Tanzania

brought a solar pump and installed it. I am ecstatic to report that the well is producing approximately 15 gallons per minute. It is an amazing blessing because water is one of our biggest needs.

It is hard to sometimes know where and how the blessings of the Lord are going to come, but, He continues to amaze us with how He has chosen to bless the schools day after day, month after month and year after year. Thank you for your continued support by your prayers and in all the other ways you are involved."

~ Godwin Selembo

We appreciate your abundant response to supply this year's need for 23 ton of rice! Because of your extra giving, and one very substantial recent donation from a new sponsor, we have almost met our goal. That means we will now be able to use your additional donations toward the purchase of the beans and corn. On behalf of the students and staff, we thank you so much!

Laboring together with you for His Glory,

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