



Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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Urgent Prayer Need! Godwin just returned from Sakila, and he is reporting that the country needs rain! The corn crops are usually above his head, but the seeds are not even sprouting, if planted. They have three more weeks left in the season to plant.

"In October of 2018, I had the privilege of going to Tanzania, Africa. I am 19 years old and I have never been out of the country. This trip turned into something beautiful, and it started a fire in my heart for serving people. I learned so many things and met incredible people. I got to see God working in people's lives, as well as my own. I will be forever changed by everything that happened on this journey. Some of my best memories from this trip were the times I spent working with people who help serve in the Sakila Sponsorship Program. I got to help distribute Duka baskets (See Below) and quilts for the students and their families. Also, it was super cool to be there for the Student's graduation. I was able to help pass out Bibles for graduating students. I was blown away that there were 1200 students, and I knew that this was something I wanted to be a part of. On this trip, I was able to meet Gloria, the young gal that I will be sponsoring for years to come. The work this ministry does for people is something of which I am proud to be involved in. I loved being able to see God at work in myself and in others." ~Lori Haley

Lori is giving a Duka basket to Gloria and her mother.



Distributing Quilts

I have had the opportunity to serve with Lori, and this young woman has a heart of gold. She loves children, and they adore her. Everywhere we went, her smile would light up the area, and kids would flock to her. This is a sample of a letter that one of the students gave to her. To paraphrase, it says that she is choosing Lori to be her best friend, not to forget her, and she loves her because Lori always smiles. Lori carries this note around with her in her purse. She has a heart for ministry with children, and is planning on going to Sakila in October, and bringing her mother. Please pray that God would give her direction and wisdom in choosing a career path.

What is a Duka basket? A \$20 gift for sponsors to give to their students' family, and is distributed in October. It contains food to last a family of four for a month. The basket is wrapped in a Kitenge (a piece of material for clothing), and it is filled with sugar, salt, tea, flour, oil, and other items.

What is the distributing of quilts? Every year, Standard 1 and 7 students are given a quilt for their beds. Around 120-160 quilts are made each year and donated. Time, talent and love are poured into these quilts, and it is such a blessing for a child to receive something of their very own. Anyone may contribute to this!!

Acts 2:28 "You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

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