



# Sakila Sponsorship Program

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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Dear partners!

I hope this message finds you all well and safe as we continue to navigate these unique and, at times, frightening times.

Because the situation is still rather fluid, we wanted to give you a quick update of what has transpired in Tanzania since the outbreak. As governments around the world have adjusted rules around social engagements and public movements, based on local realities, Tanzania has also done the same.

As of Monday March 16th, all schools will be closed for a minimum of 30 days. There are to be no public gatherings or meetings of more than 5 people. Most nonessential businesses have been ordered to shut down. At the time of writing this, Saturday, March 21st, there are 3 confirmed cases in Tanzania and no deaths.

While we were finalizing our shutdown procedures, several people asked me to forward these messages to "their friends, sponsors and partners". They really touched and encouraged me. I thought they would do the same for you.

*"Please be sure to tell our friends and our dear sponsors that we are praying hard for them. We are all together in this fight. We send much love from your family in Sakila".*  
Deborah - Hebron High School Principal

*"Please tell our family, all the sponsors and partners, that we love them and we are praying hard for them and all of USA, as they experience this hardship. We are all with you and we love you for you have always loved us."*  
Ephraim - Sluys Anderson Principal

*"Please tell our dear sponsors that we love them and are praying for them. God is able".*  
Emmanuel - Gardner at Hebron

The teachers and staff promised to continue to pray for you, and we all continue to pray for you and your families as well. Lord bless you all.  
(Message from the director, Godwin Selembo)

*I want to leave you with one of my favorite scriptures. Jesus says this, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful". John 14:27*

## His Eye is on the Sparrow

(Part of the Song)

*"Let not your heart be troubled," His tender word I hear,  
And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;  
Though by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

*I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free,  
For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.  
~(Refrain)*

Civilla D. Martin



Deborah  
(Headmistress  
of Secondary  
School)



Ephraim  
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### Announcement

If your bank transfers your sponsorship and funding automatically each month to SSP, we ask that you change the address to the new P.O. Box at the top of the page (In the heading). Thank you so much!

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*Jennifer K.*