



Sakila
SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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"I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow." (1 Corinthians 3:6)

We are God's fellow workers, along with you dear ones. So many folks never get to see the outcome of their part of God's work. We have heard of missionaries laboring year after year, but never knowing how God used their investment of time, effort, and resources, to do mighty miracles many years down the road. However, we know that our God is not under any time constraints, such as we.

This October, we were able to join Godwin and Kim Selembo's group to Sakila, Tanzania. There were 12 of us who made the trip. We had asked the group not to tell our Sakila friends that we were coming. We wanted to surprise them with our visit, and give the teachers and staff a big "Thank you" meal. We wanted to honor their devotion to the students and to those who have served on the teaching staff, even before our time. (It should be noted that Godwin and Kim began a preschool in a chicken coop some five years or so before we ever made our very first trip to Sakila in 2002.)

We learned some fascinating statistics from the Head Mistress (Deborah Mwanga) of the Secondary School, regarding the number of children who have graduated since the sponsorship program began in 2003.

Standard 7-830

Form 4-569

Form 6-309

The Form 6 graduate students are eligible to continue their education at the university level, if they choose and



are able. (A student in Tanzania cannot attend university without passing stringent testing at the end of Standard 7, Form 4, and Form 6. These test grades follow the student during their whole education, and the tests cannot be retaken.)

We met three of the students who went through the program and returned to Sakila to teach at the primary and secondary schools, after completing at universities. We also know of several students still in university who are studying to go into medicine, engineering, and teaching. Did you ever think we would be a part of something that would have such an impact on a whole village (Sakila) or the country of Tanzania?

On graduation day we looked out at the sea of students and parents at the 2023 ceremony realizing with much emotion, that these students could have a profound influence on the whole country of Tanzania! God is doing something awesome in the Sakila Village. In Psalms 118:23, it says, "This is the Lord's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes!" Thank you so much for

your part in the success of many young men and women, through your faithful giving and prayers! Praise the Lord!



~Blessings, Gene and Lorraine Anderson~

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