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WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER

NEW LOOK. SAME DRIVEN PURPOSE.

Hello, and welcome to The Hoffman Family Foundation's newsletter: The HFF Dispatch. This is a quarterly newsletter to help keep you updated with all that the Hoffman Family Foundation is accomplishing. Our goal is to improve the quality of life for different communities, empowering women, families, and schools giving children quality education.

The Hoffman Family Foundation's vision is to leave a legacy of love, transforming lives and communities around the world.

With this newsletter, we hope to share with you the improvements we are making in other people's lives across the globe. Perhaps you'll be inspired to help in your own way or to donate for one of our causes. With your help, we can truly make a difference.





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EXPANDING GOD'S **KINGDOM**

By Roberts Kiwanuka



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to enjoy our Spring Newsletter. A big "Thank You" to all of our committed sponsors, thank you for giving hope, smiles and new beginnings for those that had lost hope in their lives. Continuing to love abundantly, Hoffman Family Foundation together with Rays of Grace Junior School have steadily extended gratitude to all of you who partner with us to build God's Kingdom.

Our school has thrived and triumphed through all walks of life in Uganda with the help of our beloved donors and well-wishers. All the support rendered through finances, visits and prayers have all been pillars in our growth. We have excelled in academics and sports hence with such achievements.

I would like to report to you that last year, 2018, our school won national championships in soccer, wood ball and netball in Uganda. We also won a number of trophies from different tournaments organized at different levels within the country. Our sports academy grows and helps vulnerable kids to get sports scholarships in High Schools around the country because of their talent and we competed favorably.

1 Samuel 17:23, "As he was talking with them, behold, the champion, the Philistine... I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith."

That has been our theme verse in the struggle to win 2018. Our children work diligently to succeed and their motto is "Rays of Grace Win the Day" and if we don't win we learn. We know that God's favor is resting on us.

Since being #1 in sports last year the numbers of children that need to join our school has now increased to 433 children accommodated by Rays of Grace. The services we offer are demanded by many yet limited space to bring in more. We plan to improve on the space for accommodating more children in the boarding section and be the leaders of love, kindness and service to these children as we give them spiritual growth.

Proverbs 16:3 says, "Commit to the LORD whatever you do and he will establish your plans."

HFF is always moving forward with great expectation that God's will establish His plans in and through us.



SOCCER FIELD & SPORTS COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION

We have been facing a challenge of lacking space for training both our teams whereas we always have to take our kids to the nearby playground for their training. Because there is some distance from the school to the field, our teachers have to forego their responsibilities at school so as to go with the kids for their own safety and protection.

With God's blessing, Justin Hoffman and Chad Cater volunteered to sponsor the construction of our own sports complex. The soccer field construction is under way. We plan to put up a soccer field that can accommodate 1500 people, with dressing rooms, toilets, volleyball, basketball, and netball facilities that can host national championship tournaments and national days of prayer.



ONGOING KINDERGARTEN CONSTRUCTION

The first phase of our nursery section is about to be completed and for that matter would love to extend our since gratitude to our partners who have worked with us in putting up our nursery section. This is going to help our babies have their own environment which is fit for their age and enable our older pupils to enjoy some big space.

The initial plan is to put up a three level structure/2 story building self-contained for the kindergarten babies. I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Wiley and Beverly Smith for making this happen.

The apostle Paul exhorts us in Scripture to to give thanks for all things, in all circumstances (Eph. 5:20; 1 Thesis 5:18), even in suffering

(Rom. 5:3-5; James 1:1-4), and to do everything in the name of Jesus out of a Spirit of gratitude (Col 3:17).

Thank you so much for supporting this project. We hope that this building will provide a conducive learning environment for these young beginners with a play center, resting room, planning room, prayer room, offices, 5 classrooms, a dining room, flush toilets, and fun playground equipment.

This building is under way and the young children are so excited to see their new facility coming forth. We continue to pray the God will bring the complete funding to finalize this project.



“Your greatest contribution to the Kingdom of God may not be something you do, but someone you raise”

- Andy Stanley



INTERNET & SECURITY

We have been blessed by Todd and Gretchen Bassett's family with internet connection at school, including speakers and web camera to enable the child to connect with their sponsors on a monthly basis. Our children at Rays of Grace are able to video chat with their sponsors now and we are working with Brody and Maddie Bassett in tutoring our children online via zoon meetings or Skype calls. This initiative from the Bassett's family has helped the school connect globally.

On security, I would like to report to you that the school has a temporary fencing construction project underway now and we hope to install light poles around each corner of the school to provide the children and school property with a very secure environment. We have 3 full time security guards on the premises of the school and we are fundraising for the 24 CCTV cameras to be installed at school to make sure all property and lives are safe 365 days a year. Thank you to all those who continue to support these projects and keep us going throughout the year.

Psalm 36:7 says, "How precious is your loving kindness, O God!" We are so grateful for God's faithfulness and the continued faithful partners God brings alongside HFF to carry out this mission.

On behalf of the Uganda community, Hoffman Family Foundation Uganda and Rays of Grace School, I would like to thank all those that partner with us to help the very needy and our Women Empowerment Groups. We have over 350 women doing small businesses and learning to operate Village Saving and Loan Associations. This program help parents become self-sustainable and support the school locally. They will soon produce African designed crafts that can be shipped for international markets. Dave Hoffman and Joyce Brooks have pioneered this program and we pray that these ladies can become entrepreneurs. Thank you so much for all your support.

OUR CONTINUING PROJECTS:

NURSERY - **ONGOING**
SOCCER FIELD - **ONGOING**
CCTV CAMERA PROJECT - **PENDING**



LOVE IS ALL YOU NEED

By Janie Covington

I've been asked: How did it go? And my answer is simple: Everything that could have went wrong, DID NOT!

First was a storm predicted for Denver the day I would have flown in ... so Tami called me and I went on Tuesday night instead... leaving Wednesday for a day to sit by her fireplace and watch the blizzard blow in sideways. First problem averted!

Thursday, Tami needed to go to her office and complete a couple of items before she left town. When we got to downtown Denver, the power was out...the building had generator power which let us into the building, so we walked up six flights of stairs...she got her paperwork and we started to walk back down the six flights of stairs...now the sirens were going off with announcements to evacuate. Seems the generator was out of fuel! So we drove to the door of the parking garage floor and found it was computer operated. Firemen came when called, but said "sorry" we can't help. Maintenance men carried my two 50 pound suitcases to the ground floor and we called Uber. Second problem averted!

Friday morning out next great adventure would begin arriving at DIA at 5AM. 32 hours later we would land in Entebbe, Uganda. Tami introduced me to the members of the "team" and I now understand why HFF and Rays of Grace are such a success. All are dedicated, smart young Christians, such a wonderful group to work with. Roberts is unassuming, but clearly a leader who balances many hats. And Sarah is much more than my personal shopper and the mother of two little darlings. Also at this meeting, Tami presented me with a new name: DR. LOVE. I tried giving marital advice, but no one seemed to be in need. I just loved wearing a lab coat once again.

Roses and smiles, laughter, singing and

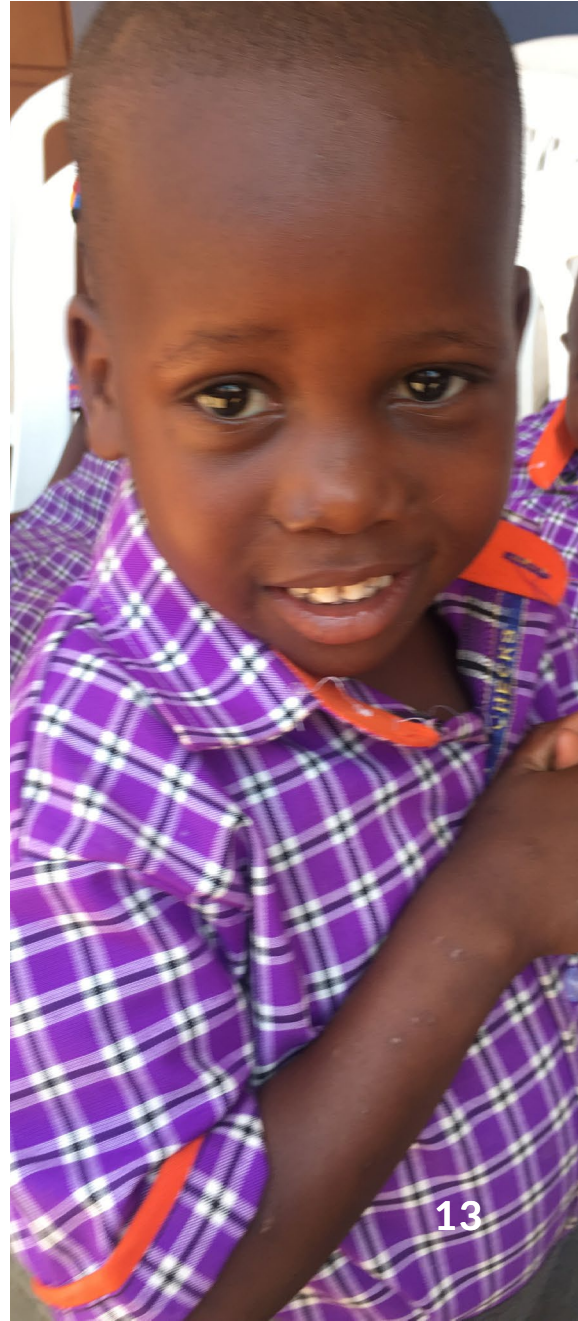
dancing....what a welcome to RAYS OF GRACE! Later we checked into the "Haven". Tami calls it her heaven and when I looked out my bedroom window at the sunrise over the Nile River, I simply agreed. Stepping out onto the porch to the view and the monkeys playing in the nearby trees – a perfect view of the rapids on the Nile and early morning fishermen. Most of our meals were outside. I tried every food I was offered. All were okay, however the fruit was outstanding. And I am still starting my days with Uganda tea.

Then we met Lion Rev. Richard Kayaga Gonza and the JINJA LIONS CLUB. The Lions of Jinja sponsor a LEO Club at the University of Ophthalmology. When they came to the school, I didn't have to screen the kids. There were seven Ophthalmology students who were there two days with one of their teachers (a LION). Although my equipment was newer than they were used to, it didn't take them long to google information, work with my minimum introduction and ready to go. They screened over 400+ students and even the construction crew from the future soccer field and the future Kindergarten project. Grateful that not many needed glasses, they kept the glasses I had delivered for the eye clinics to be used later.

We went to the Source of the Nile – the Equator – ate fish on the shores of Lake Victoria – feeding some very large birds – shopped the African Market and the Mall. (Sarah – I really love all my new clothes.) Vinny held my hand if the walking was rough to keep me safe. We visited Samantha, Mama Shumusa, Daughters of Charity and I was able to hold and cuddle so many babies. Again, smiles and love ALL around.

As I said in the beginning – the trip was AWESOME! Problems just didn't happen – unless a solution was already available. I love the song my grandkids sing. OUR GOD IS AN AWESOME GOD!He truly is.





GOD TAKES SAMANTHA FROM THE SHACK TO THE PALACE

By Tami Hoffman

The anticipated day had finally arrived. We would be planning a celebration to commission Samantha's new home. Thanks to the Hobby Lobby's great home decor and the leading of the Holy Spirit she would be lavished with beautiful gifts from God. My favorite gift would be her beautiful name, hand painted including the meaning of her name. S is for Samantha which means " God Heard" or "Flower of God". The woman who had been forsaken most of her life was now "BLOOMING" like a NEW flower. I believe God heard her prayers that she probably had prayed most of her life.

We celebrated with opening her gift bag, enjoying a yummy cake, singing and a prayer commissioning the NEW palace the Lord had prepared for her. It was just HEAVENLY!

She now lives in a safe home with locks included, furnishings that will keep her comfortable, a home that she can invite friends to share a small meal together with on her new dishes, a soft blanket to cuddle up with at night reminding her that she is so loved.

This is the third house we have built for 3 ladies who we abused and forsaken by this world. Makeovers from the inside out. All three ladies have been so beautifully transformed with JOY that now lives not only in their hearts but also in their new homes!

What a privilege and honor it has been to serve all of these ladies with indescribable LOVE and unity with their Heavenly Father.

I think this verse describes them well.

"I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." - John 17:23



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RAYS OF GRACE JUNIOR SCHOOL- KIRUGU.
CHILD'S PROGRESS REPORT FOR LOWER PRIMARY.
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CLASS TEACHER'S REPORT
Tremendous performance, Allan should keep it up.

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VISITATION DAY

By Tami Hoffman

March 23rd marked Rays of Grace half-way point for our 1st term. Mid-term grades are calculated and it's a day where the children are excited to reveal their progress to their parents and guardians. A lot of these children have guardians because their biological parents have died. So the grandmother's and auntie's will be there for this important day. The community kids walk to school with their parents or guardians and the children that are day boarders wait patiently for their parents or guardians to arrive by car, bus, taxi or motorcycle.

The children receive their mid-terms grades from their teachers and progress,

accomplishments and encouragement is discussed always reminding the kids that they are filled with PROMISE, POSSIBILITIES, and POTENTIAL!

The families and children are served an extra special meal for the day as a "THANK YOU" for entrusting us with the lives of their beautiful children.

I would like to say a big "THANK YOU" to the Rays of Grace dedicated staff that loves, serves and blesses these children each day.

We could not do this without you. May God bless you abundantly for this calling on your life as you invest in the lives of the next generation in Uganda. Teachers change the world ONE child at a time.

SHAPED FOR SERVING GOD

Since I started understanding at the young age of 15, that I was being helped by an organization called Children of Uganda in their orphanage homes, I felt a deep unshakeable calling from God that I would one day adopt a child and give back as I was, as God was shaping my future.

Over the winter time in 2012 and 2014 I had an opportunity to go to the USA for two months with the Children of Uganda Dance Troup. While we were there, we performed in different schools, universities, churches and theaters to raise funds for helping over 1000+ orphans in the Children of Uganda organization. I couldn't consider how many performances we could perform each day or how tiresome we could be. I could only care of what my fellow brothers and sisters back in the organization would eat each day, and that they would have a quality education. God's callings manifests in different ways; the love we are shown, journeys that we travel, people that we meet, and in many other significant ways.

Throughout my journey from adoption to my success with Children of Uganda, God called me to His work through helping orphans and the needy. When God brought me to work with Hoffman Family Foundation, I felt privileged and with so much joy; because I had now answered "YES" to my calling on my life.

James 1:23 uses an illustration of a mirror to make a point about obedience. He says that listening to God's Word and failing to obey is like looking at yourself in a mirror and then forgetting what you look like the second you turn away from the mirror. So, I learned to be obedient to whatever God calls me through understanding and obeying His Word.

Since I joined Hoffman Family Foundation, working with the sponsorship program to trace the orphans and needy within communities and writing down their bio data, I have experienced the "Brokenness" of kids, their families and their lives. I have listened to stories after stories of the kids telling me about their parents dying when they are young or how their fathers abandoned them, how they absolutely have no one in their family who cares about them, or how their mothers tirelessly day in and day out works but still cannot afford to buy them school requirements and take them to school. I have loved and tried counseling these kids and their parents and telling them how God loves them. In this I have learned that when you love children with the love of Jesus intricately, it shatters all of the built-up walls around their hearts and cultivates a relationship of trust.

Without Jesus we are all lifeless, dead dry bones. I have witnessed lives changed in these kids when they come to know Jesus. From being without someone taking care of them to having a

Sponsor who takes good care of them monthly, that's when transformation takes place. Through Hoffman Family Foundation, the lives of many kids, parents and women groups have greatly changed. I am so thankful to the Hoffman Family Foundation, David and Tami Hoffman and Roberts Kiwanuka for having heard God's calling to start up this organization. I can't forget the huge hearts, the generosity of our lovely sponsors for your endeavors to offer what you have to these lovely kids. I have learned that people in the USA don't give because they have too much! They give because of love and their huge hearts; this makes my heart filled with JOY.

I have also learned that you don't meet people accidentally. God puts different people at different times in our lives for a reason. Sooner or later you'll find out why they were a part of your life. Some will stay, some will go, some will strengthen you, others will test you, and that's God's plan. These kids and their guardians will always thank God for having brought the Hoffman Family Foundation to their lives and they will also show the same love they are shown to others because they know they are LOVED!

Philippians 1:6 says...Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Let's keep going HOFFMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION, God is with us always.

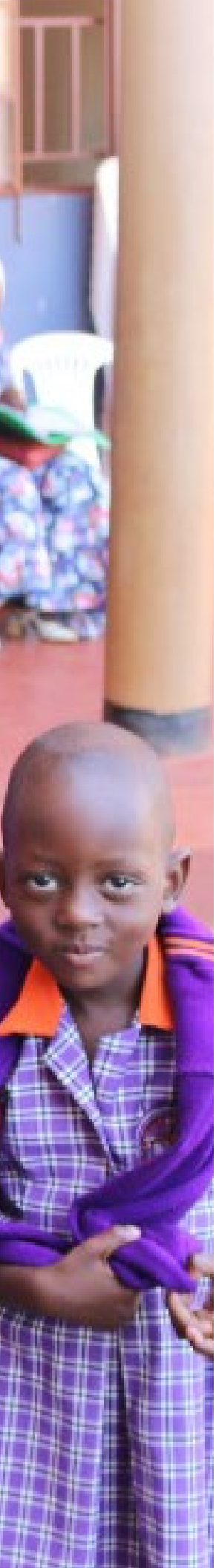
By Vinny Maweje



**WHEN GOD HAS
SELECTED YOU,
IT DOESN'T MATTER
WHO ELSE HAS REJECTED
OR NEGLECTED YOU.
GOD'S FAVOR OUTWEIGHS
ALL OPPOSITION.
YOU ARE A WINNER!**







JOIN OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL PROGRAM

BECOME ONE OF HFF's GUARDIAN ANGEL



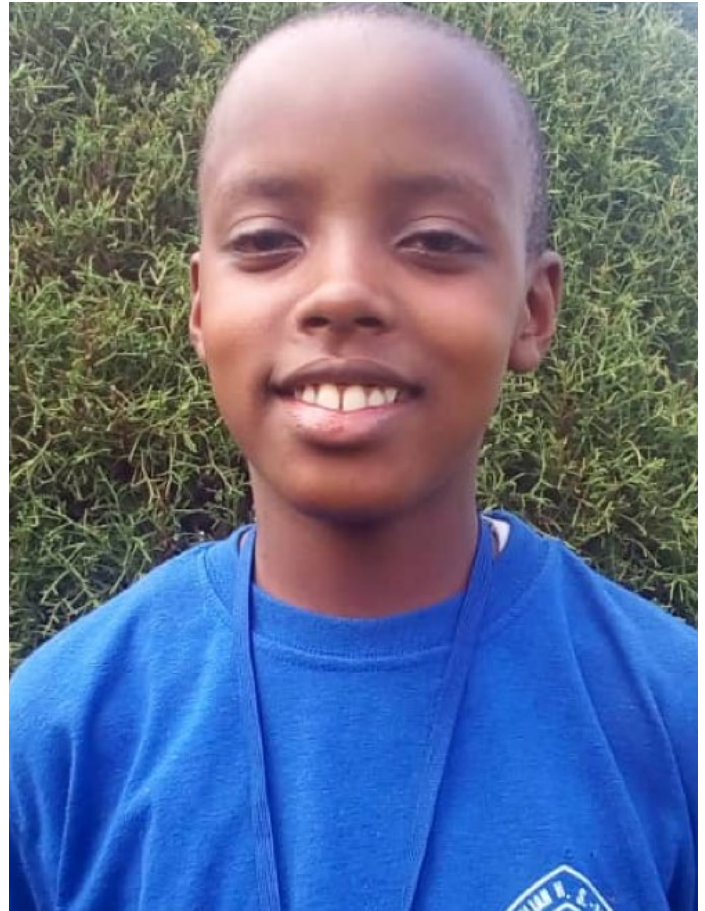
MEET BENNAH NAKAWESI

When I grow up I want to be a teacher!

Age: 13 Birthday: October 3rd, 2006

Bennah lives with her mother, 2 brothers, and 2 sisters. Her mother is a farm laborer but despite her efforts, it is difficult to meet the family's needs. They are growing up in a poor area in Uganda where the HIV and AIDS crisis has severely damaged the social fabric of the entire community, leaving many children without parents.

Bennah is at Rays of Grace primary school where she was given a scholarship of playing hand ball. Soon next year she is joining secondary level (high school). Bennah enjoys reading Dancing and singing. she is in satisfactory health. Your sponsorship commitment will help provide a good secondary school for Bennah after her scholarship is over with Rays of Grace.



MEET CAESAR SHYAKA

When I grow up I want to be a doctor!

Age: 13 Birthday: May 25th, 2006

Caesar was neglected by his mother and was left in the hands of his father at age 5. His father was a teacher however recently lost his job and is having a hard time taking care of Caesar now that he is in high school.

Caesar is a smart boy when it comes to academics ranking among the top five students in the class! His father worries that his potential performance will be hampered by his inability to pay school fees. If you are interested in sponsoring Caesar please leave a comment, send a message, your faithful support will supply Education and good classroom environment for Caesar.

Are you wanting to make a personal and lifetime impact on one of our amazing kids?

You have an amazing opportunity to become one of HFF's Guardian Angels. As a Guardian Angel, you will be supporting one of our need-based Rays of Grace kids. You will be lifting them up, helping guide them to graduation, and their personal prayer warrior. For just \$50.00 a month, you are helping our dream-seeking kids pay for schooling, boarding, clothes, food and any hygiene or medical needs in order to help them spread their wings and fly. If you are interested in joining our Guardian Angel Program or would like more information, please give us a call at (303) 949 - 0831.



MEET RITAH NANKANJA

When I grow up I want to be a doctor!

Age: 11 Birthdate: February 20th, 2008

Ritah is the third born of four children in her family and was abandoned by her father three years ago. She currently lives with her mother who struggles to find food and essential needs for her children. By helping in cleaning her neighbors clothes and sometimes dig in peoples gardens Ritah's mother can sometimes get enough money to feed her kids and take care of their grandmother who is sick with cancer. Ritah has missed classes and exams several times due to failure to pay school fees.



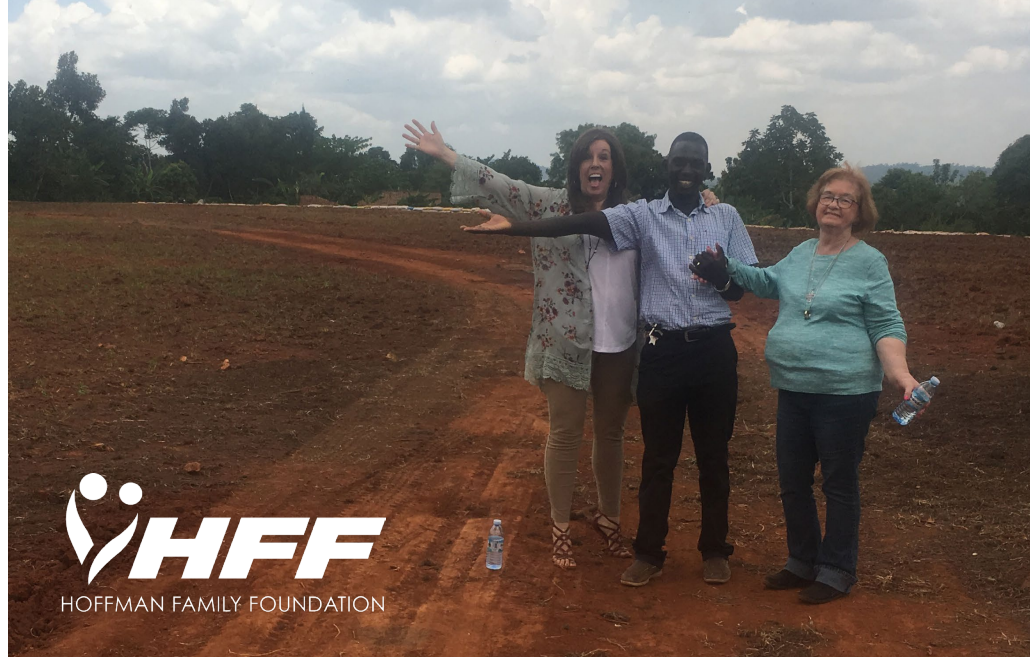
MEET VINCENT MULEMA

When I grow up I want to be an Engineer and a Pro Soccer Player!

Age: 14 Birthyear: 2005

Like his three siblings Vincent lost his father when he was 7 years. Since Vincent's father passed the family has been struggling for survival and his mother is not in good health.

Vincent received an athletic scholarship at Rays of Grace primary school because of his incredible soccer talent. Vincent is worried about what the future holds for him now that he is in high school. His mother struggles to feed the whole family and find money for school fees. Your sponsorship will help provide Vincent with full school fees, meals, school uniform and health care.



OUR NEXT PROJECTS

The sports complex foundation has now been laid. Our Women's Empowerment ladies came and planted the new grass that is now starting to break through the soil. God is making ALL things NEW and it's so exciting.

We are anticipating the next phase to cost approximately \$15,000.00 to build the bleachers, changing rooms and toilets. I also have a vision of a snack-shack!

The new Pre-school/ Kindergarten facility is being laid brick by brick. The first phase is coming along beautifully.

Security has become an extra item that we need to address. We will be installing fencing and a camera system to keep Rays of Grace and our children safe. The budget is \$10,000.00.

Our soccer season will be getting very busy next term and we will have very many additional expenses that will be added to our general budget. We are estimating this cost to be approximately \$5,000.00.

Would you prayerfully consider partnering with us to accomplish these new goals in 2019?

Your donation will go directly to the projects we are working on always. Thank you for all your love, support and prayers as we continue to leave a legacy of LOVE transforming the lives and communities God has call us to. May He be Glorified in ALL that we do together with YOU!



*The Hoffman Family Foundation's Vision is to leave a legacy of love,
transforming lives and communities around the world.*

Hoffman Family Foundation Mail-In Donation Form

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I KNOW THAT I HAVE BEEN
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