

RAINING HOPE

“And he will send showers of rain so every field becomes a lush pasture.” Zechariah 10:1

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Newsletter

Each month for this year of celebration we will highlight at least two of our students. For September we are highlighting Henry & Sophia. We have included an anniversary greeting from each one for our sponsors and supporters. They share what their life was like before Raining Hope and what it means to be a part of our Raining Hope family now. They are inspiring stories of hope and thankfulness. We also highlight our manager, Godfrey this month. You know him as a mighty man of God who is doing a tremendous job running the operations in Uganda. But his testimony will give you more insight into his life and the hope that being a part of Raining Hope has brought to him and his family.

Note: Because I am still in the SF Bay Area, I don't have access to some of my older photos that are archived on another computer. My hope was to show photos from when our children first started with us as Psalms 10 until now. Those photos will be a part of the anniversary book we will be compiling this year. I will add them to future posts when I finally get back home! Mama Kisakye



40 Days of Prayer

Special thanks to Ricky McDonald, who designed our 10th Anniversary Raining Hope logo! We are so thankful for his expertise and designing talent! Thank you Ricky for the part you play in our anniversary celebration! Beautiful job!



HOW TO MAKE A DONATION

CHECKS: Mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to such as SCHOOL FEES etc. or BUDGET and send to our stateside office. If multiple donations come in for a specific need, funds will be placed in the budget to cover the needs. If there is no designation it will go in budget to use at our discretion.

CREDIT CARD: You can also make credit card donations on our website - www.raininghope.org.

TEXT TO GIVE: If you would like to send a text to give to Raining Hope by credit card, just send a text to 844-544-7171 and text RAININGHOPE. Follow the prompts and you will receive a receipt! **Text to Give has no additional charges.**

If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - 805-377-7387

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Meet Henry



Hello our Dear Sponsors:

I am once again so happy to write to you the people whom God has set apart as far as the Raining Hope Ministry is concerned. I feel much honored to be a part of the Raining Hope Family. My name is Henry. I am 21 years young. I want to take this opportunity to thank our dear sponsors who have stood with us as the Raining Hope family from day one up to today. You have truly impacted our lives. I want to thank you for the opportunity that you give us to go to school. You are always there to make sure school fees are paid on time. Also thank you for the provision of food year after year. For real we have never stayed hungry. Thank you for the clothing, medicine and also our new house that we now live in. There is nothing that we can give you in return other than thanking you for everything and standing with us in all situations.

My life before Raining Hope for real it was a mess. It was a life full of suffering, a life without hope. Whereby my life was lived by chances that if you get anything today it was good, if not you move on. I lived a life of neglect to the point of selling things on the street to get money. But oh when I joined Raining Hope everything changed and I thought maybe I was in a dream. I was assured that I would have hope of school and food. My health was so important to Raining Hope. Clothing was always provided. For real now the life I am living is much better than it was before Raining Hope. Raining Hope has given me an opportunity to serve in church which is the greatest opportunity that one could give and even yearn to be. My dream as Henry is I want to be a procurement officer which Raining Hope has provided the funds for me to pursue my love of going to school. I finished my senior six classes and by God's grace I will be joining university next year to study my course. All this is due to Raining Hope and with all I give the glory to God. I love you and always pray for you.

Happy Anniversary!
Henry

Birthday: October 26, 1998
Dream: Procurement officer
(Business Management)
Henry loves soccer and dancing. He is part of the worship team playing various instruments.

One of his favorite Bible verses is Luke 18:27, "Jesus replied, 'What is impossible with man is possible with God.'"



Meet Sophia



2016

Dear Sponsors:

My name is Sophia. I am 17 years old from Raining Hope Ministries Uganda in Africa. I thank you so much for standing together with us in all times. Even when I was hopeless in life, you still encouraged me to move on with life. Thank you so much for the support. I even don't know how to express this but may the Almighty bless you so much and may He see you through and grant you the desires of hearts and your wishes in life.

I lived a very hopeless life before joining Raining Hope. I would go without food, clothes and shelter. I even remember a day our family slept out due to the lack of money to pay rent. Every time we got sick, our mother would struggle looking for help. Most times they just mocked her. But God saw us and joined us with Raining

Hope Ministries. I got a new family where I am given food, clothes, accommodations, care and love where my hope was regained. I am now studying and in Form Three about to sit for my "O" level exams by the grace of God. That is for next year.

I have a dream of becoming a fashion designer (fashionista) because I feel I can do this. I truly love designing and decorating through Raining Hope. I see myself getting the skills through decorating the church and some parties at the home and at school and through receiving education in designing. Now I see my future is very bright. I only have words of thanks to you cause I see God taking me somewhere.

Mummy Kisakye, God bless you. So much I love you, even beyond the words I love you. May God give you your hearts desires. I wish you all a Happy 10th Anniversary!

I love you so much!

Sophia

Birthday: September 4, 2001

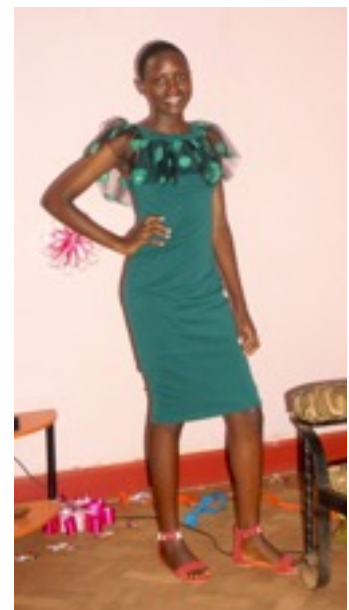
Dream: To become a fashionista (fashion designer)

Sophia loves netball and debating.

Favorite Verse: John 14:1-3, "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also."



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Meet Godfrey



My Testimony

My names is Godfrey, born on December 24,1984. Both my parents passed on when I was at age 9. It was such a hard time for me as child. I stayed with my step mother who tortured me both physically and psychologically. Because of too much suffering, I retreated to the streets begging for leftover foods and sleeping with friends in unfinished buildings. This kind of life saw me with bad youth groups that were notorious and doing unlawful things. It was in that kind of state

that the Lord called me to salvation when I was 15 years of age. I joined Cornerstone Baptist Church where I was groomed in the Word of God. It is there that I met a wonderful mother, Eydie Kisakye who had come from California on a mission's trip. Mum Eydie helped me in many ways even seeing me through my wedding with Irene who is my wife to taking care of us. God put our hearts together as we share many things in common as far as ministry is concerned. I have a heart for the orphans and other less privileged children and youth. It's a heart that God put upon me based on what I suffered. I want to see many heads of suffering children and youths lifted up in triumphal hope and dreams restored the very thing Mum Eydie Kisakye is living for. No wonder God binds our hearts around the same desire he put in both of us.

It is in this Spirit that God chose to make me part of Raining Hope as manager through Mum Kisakye. Since then, there has been an awakening in the lives of many here in Uganda. Our children and young adults are going to school, joining institutions, are healthy and their dreams are coming true. My life and family have been changed over the years as I am part of this noble cause that the Lord is doing in Raining Hope.

My dream is to reconcile men to God through the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and to help many live in a real relationship with God. It is always my prayer to be a faithful preacher. I have seen this happen over time even as I serve with Raining Hope. God grows me daily as I lead and take care of his people. It is such a noble task and great opportunity to serve others and be part of God's activity in them.

I therefore, in a special way want to thank my Mum Kisakye for the unwavering love and care that she renders unto us as we mark our 10th anniversary. I thank all the friends, and partners for the great support of love over time.

May God richly bless you all for making me who I am today and becoming every day. When our time here on the earth is done, our works of kindness will follow us. It is such a noble task to live one entire life for rebuilding lives and restoring hope.

Thank you all for your kindness and generosity.
We hold you all with the
highest regard.

Happy 10TH Anniversary
With love, Godfrey

