## Hope for Orphans and Vulnerable Children



Empowering Children to Reach Their Full Potential

1<sup>st</sup> October, 2017

Dear Supporter,

I hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather over this long weekend.

I would like to draw your attention to our need for 8 more people who would each be willing to sponsor a young boy. You are our best advocate as you are a part of the HOVC community and can explain to your friends and family the amazing gift it is for these children to have access to ongoing education plus other medical, emotional and physical support through HOVC. Could I ask you to pray about who you might share this with so that we can expand our donor base and link these 8 boys up with an individual sponsor, a family or a Bible study group.

As a Board, we were also wondering whether there is any church or other group that you belong to, that would be interested in hearing about HOVC and the life changing work it is doing amongst the HOVC family in Kisoro and the wider community. If so, please contact us to talk through what may be appropriate for your group.

The latest difficulty being faced by one particular community was a freakish storm which blew the roof off a large section of Mubuga Primary School. This has left nearly 200 children having their lessons outside under the trees - in the rainy season! 7 of our HOVC children attend this primary school.

## As Innocent described it:

On 6<sup>th</sup> August in the evening, it looked like the beginning of wet season here in Kisoro after three months of dry spell; rain fell for close to two hours that was characterized with strong wind and thunderstorm that even came with too much lightening.

At Mubuga Primary School, it was also catastrophic where the iron sheets of a three classroom block and library were thrown at a distance in the school compound and were torn into pieces by the strong wind that came with rainfall. All text books and some other learning materials were destroyed by the heavy rainfall. The situation is now unconducive for teachers and pupils because of poor learning atmosphere because it is not quite easy to conduct classes in an open space during rainy season.

According to Nyakinama sub-county leadership, the classrooms that were destroyed were built in 1971 and most of them are now old with leaking roofs and old iron sheets. Therefore, it was quite easy for the strong wind to penetrate the roof.





You will be pleased to know that we have partnered with the local community by sending \$5000 over to help towards the costs of reroofing this building.

Thank you for your interest in the work of HOVC bringing hope to this community.

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