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Integrity

Primary School

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Samuel's family, home and bed.

Samuel



Sweet Samuel is 12 years old. He had seemed mentally "slow" and was considered stupid by most of his peers. He has often been made fun of by the other children and is easily dismissed by adults. His father has AIDS and is in a lot of pain. His mother is starting to show symptoms of the disease as well. She struggles to care for her husband and kids by growing food like sweet potatoes. Their mud hut is a 20 minute hike from the school, up the side of a mountain. Samuel was excited to show Angela where he sleeps. He has a mosquito net but no mattress. He sleeps on a grass mat on the dirt floor. His family catches water from the roof into barrels when it rains for drinking and washing but one of their barrels has a leak. If it doesn't rain, they have to hike to the well and carry the heavy jugs back up that hill. Samuel was not attending school but his younger sister was. They probably made this choice because they

thought his sister had more potential. When we, at Integrity, heard about his situation we offered to educate Samuel and wave his school fees. He was thrilled to be back in school. ITFM brought the game of BOP IT to the village. At first Samuel did not understand it. He did not catch on as fast as the other kids and they often took it away from him when he was playing because he was doing so poorly. Angela just reported that the other day to escape the rain, Samuel sat on the porch playing BOP IT and he beat every level! Samuel does have potential!

It is critical for Samuel that he stays in school and gets an education. When his parents are gone, no one will care if he goes to school or not. He dreams of being a doctor. Samuel needs to learn to read well. He needs to learn a skill to survive. Will you help Samuel? He and the other kids in his class all have stories of hardship. All of them are facing extremely difficult challenges. If ITFM does not build more classrooms we will have to start turning kids away. **WE DO NOT WANT TO TURN ANY CHILD AWAY!** Please donate today. This is a time crunch. Materials need to be ordered immediately, the construction workers need to be put on notice that work is beginning and the site needs to be prepared. Any and every amount is a big help. Since all the work is done by hand, getting these two classrooms completed by January is going to be a stretch. Will you help these kids?



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ITFM Update

CLINIC: Ebola is spreading in West Africa. We will be heading to Uganda next month to work with our clinic to educate the village in case it continues to spread. Education is key to fighting this Ebola crisis.

SCHOOL: It has been a great year at Integrity Primary School. Classes started in February and ITFM had just completed the second school block which quickly filled with children. Angela worked for 9 months as the school director getting the teachers and procedures all organized. Angela is awesome! We hired a helper for the toddler class which was bursting at the seams and had way too many kids for the one teacher to handle. Another teacher housing unit was just finished and thanks to the Highland Games fundraiser, their bathroom is soon to be under construction.

ITFM now has the ability to house more teachers so Integrity Primary School is ready to grow. In order to grow, we need more classrooms. The new school year begins in February. The plan is to construct and furnish 2 more classrooms by the end of January. That's only 4 months away! This project will cost a total of about \$25,000. So far towards this project we have collected \$12k. We are about halfway there! A good education in these rural areas is very difficult to find. Most boys become farmers like their parents, only growing enough to eat and maybe a little to sell. If there is a drought, many families go hungry. Most girls will get pregnant very young and have an extremely hard road ahead. In The Field can help. Education can literally change lives here in Uganda. There are so many children just like Samuel that desperately need an education.

Will you partner with us so we can keep Samuel in school and let more kids attend in January?

What's the bottom line?

\$13,000 is still needed. Through small amounts we can get there!

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\$50 will buy a load of sand or rock
\$100 will get a load of bricks
\$250 will purchase 15 bags of cement
\$500 will buy 2 metal security doors

Well is fixed!





Thank you for the donations. ITFM received what we needed to purchase the stainless steel pipes! There was a fleeting moment of panic when the guys went to purchase the pipes in Kampala and our supplier had none. Picking a supplier is a risky business in Uganda as the quality of materials vary greatly. We ended up finding the pipes at another place, they already had the couplers welded on and they were cheaper. It was an unexpected blessing. Jason was a huge help and didn't mind crawling under the concrete slab to get the job done. The problem ended up being a hole that was rubbed into the plastic delivery pipe. The stainless steel pipes fixed that and now water is flowing great up to the storage tank. A huge relief.

\$1000 will put on our metal roof
\$5000 will build half a classroom!

Buying loads of sand or bricks can make a difference in so many lives. How many loads of bricks will you get today to insure that Samuel and his classmates get an education? ITFM can literally change their future with your help.

This is who we are helping.



Monthly Giving:

ITFM needs supporters who are able to donate a monthly fixed amount. This helps to pay for the growing costs of teachers, medical personnel at our clinic and feeding the children at school. ITFM's monthly expenses for our Ugandan staffing is almost \$1000.00 a month. Currently our monthly donations cover 50% of this. \$500 a month is still needed. If you are able to donate \$25, \$50, or \$100 a month. This would be a tremendous help.

Thank you!

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