

A BROTHER AND
SISTER SHOW US
"YOU'RE NEVER TOO
YOUNG TO HELP
RESCUE ABANDONED
CHILDREN!"

"I'd love to help Samaritan Village rescue children in Africa, but I just can't afford it."

Those words never occurred to Gracie Scritchfield and her brother Braden. Neither of them have a job where they can earn money, but that doesn't stop them. (Of course, the reason they are unemployed could have something to do with their ages. Gracie is eleven and her brother is seven.)

Gracie and Braden first heard about Samaritan Village two years ago when their grandparents, Patsy and Jack Johnson of Yuba City, took them to the annual *To Tanzania with Love* event.

Rather than decide to wait until they were old enough to get a job, they decided to do whatever they could to help the children they heard about.

They collected cans and bottles throughout the year to recycle. They contributed their outgrown clothing and toys to garage sales and sold ice water and sodas at the garage sales.

They saved every penny and in 2014 were able to donate \$189 to the children of Samaritan Village.



They continued their entrepreneurial efforts and this year the incredible brother and sister team donated \$216.50 for the children!

When asked why they wanted to give their money to Samaritan Village, they said, "We want to help other children!"

It's no wonder that one of their favorite songs is *Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the World*.

After speaking with the grandmother of these incredible kids Joan Hackney wrote, "***It was very touching hearing about these children. They really have a heart to help our Samaritan Village children—they are already saving money from projects to give at next year's event.***"

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR
SUMMER VACATION PLANS

We asked Josephat about any plans he may have for the children's summer vacation. That's right, **summer** vacation. While we are beginning to feel the brisk signs of a cold winter, Africa is gearing up for summer. Last year, thanks to a generous donor, the children were able to travel to Lake Victoria. This year Josephat would like to take the children to Zanzibar. He writes, "***During the first or second week of December I plan to take the children to visit Zanzibar. We are waiting for the resolution in Zanzibar after their elections. We will travel by bus from Arusha to Dar es Saalem and then by boat to Zanzibar. We will spend two nights in Zanzibar before returning to Arusha. We are looking for support for the trip. So, your donation will make their dream of visiting Zanzibar to be true. FOR ANY WISHING TO HELP FOR ANYTHING ABOUT THIS SAFARI, LET ME KNOW.***"

Our Mission: Samaritan Village exists for the purpose of implementing the Great Commission of Jesus Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel, by providing physical, mental and spiritual care for orphaned children in Tanzania, Africa.

Our Vision: Samaritan Village is a private, non-profit organization established and run by volunteers to develop, expand and maintain a Christian orphanage to care for abandoned and orphaned children.

Our Goal: We work to reduce the number of abandoned children and the deaths of children in Tanzania by providing care for those whose parents have either died or abandoned them and who have no relatives responsible for their care. This is accomplished by providing a safe and stable Christian home environment where children are provided food, shelter, clothing, education and medical care.

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RESCUING ORPHANED AND ABANDONED CHILDREN



SAMARITAN VILLAGE CHILD GRADUATES
FROM SECONDARY SCHOOL

Violet becomes the second child to grow up at Samaritan Village Orphanage and graduate from Secondary School (High School). Violet graduated from the Maasai Girls School where she had lived and gone to school for the past four years. There are currently three other girls attending this school. The Maasai Girl's School is a school for girls rescued from the Maasai tribe, a nomadic tribal people living in Tanzania. It is



operated by the Lutheran Church. The girls are given a free education thanks to sponsors from all over the world. The Samaritan Village girls are the only non-Masai girls at the school.

Other children from Samaritan Village, including the first two boys to attend secondary school, are attending other boarding schools.

Their Christian education, and the Christian education of all the children, is made possible thanks to their sponsors. Violet had the same sponsor for her entire four years.

On December 25th Josephat is planning to invite more than four hundred children from nearby orphanages, as well as a number of poor families in the area, many from different religions, to



celebrate with Violet. Samaritan Village plans to provide lunch, drinks, sweets, etc. for the day. **This event needs support to make it successful.**

END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

At the end of November all the children will begin their holiday (vacation). Josephat will be sending their school reports to the sponsors. We will also have the new tuition rates for next year. He writes, "*Thanks to all the sponsors for your education sponsorship to 2015.*"

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ANOTHER NEW CHILD ARRIVES

Here is the report we received about the newest child to arrive at the orphanage just as it was written by Josephat. It is truly a sad story and, as Josephat writes, it is one that requires much prayer. Be sure to check the website or Facebook page for updates on the little boy's condition.

Septamher 29, 2015

Dear Samaritan friends,

Today I admit baby boy approximately 1 year and 6 months old. The baby brought to our centre by social welfare officer. The baby is sick and suffering by malnutrition. Also doctors found this baby with problem in his back bone, he need serious treatment. Also doctor says he looks with sign of become dwarf.

He have problem in lungs. More than treatment we need your prayer to this boy. I give name of Brighton.

Thank you

Josephat Mmanyi
Co-ordinator/father of Village

UPDATE: Josephat writes that Brighton is recovering and doing much better. He would like to thank everyone for their prayers.

PROGRESS ON THE NEW BUILDING

Josephat wanted to thank everyone who has donated and prayed for the completion of the new Medical Clinic. The final phase is underway. It includes painting and wall coverings, doors and windows, paving and finishing work.



While we were hoping to complete the building by the end of the year, it looks like it will be early next year before it is completed and ready to provide medical care for the orphans and members of

FUND RAISING REPORT

Here is an update on our fund raising efforts. Thanks to all those who donate and sponsor children. It is your generosity and prayers that continue to be a blessing to children in Africa in need of a family.

MORE SPONSORS ADDED!

We have added new sponsors since our last newsletter but there are still a number of children who would love to have someone support and pray for them. Also, once the new Medical Clinic is completed, we will begin to see a huge influx of new babies. It's exciting to know that we will be able to rescue even more children and provide them with a Christian home, but that means **ALL** of us will need to be involved in helping find sponsors for them.

TO TANZANIA WITH LOVE

If you missed the annual *To Tanzania with Love Event* you missed a incredible evening of good food, great entertainment and a wonderful opportunity to give to help Samaritan Village rescue more orphaned and abandoned children. Thanks to the hard work of many volunteers we were able to raise over \$1,500!

FARMER'S MARKET

The Yuba City Farmers Market has ended for the year. Thanks to the faithfulness of the Hackney's and Elizabeth, who were at the Farmers Market every Saturday since last April, more funds were raised for the orphanage this season than ever before!

AFRICAN ART

We just received a generous donation of a African Art. Check out the website or our Facebook Page for information on purchasing these artworks.

the surrounding village.

As the building nears completion it will also be necessary to remodel the existing buildings to accommodate more children. Why not pray about joining a team to Africa next year to help make this happen?



Visit us on Facebook or on our website at samaritanvillageorphanage.org to view progress on the new building as well as other news of Samaritan Village.

FROM ELIZABETH,

(December 2010 Newsletter)



"Dear Friends of Samaritan Village, It is a special joy to have friends to share good news with. We are reminded that what our Lord needs is empty vessels. Then He cleans us up, fills us and uses us for His glory.

Praise the Lord we are in another, "Joy To The World, The Lord is Come" season. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Your servant,

Elizabeth Mswia Mwalazi

THE PERFECT TIME TO GIVE

As we approach the Christmas Season we are all reminded of the greatest gift ever given to the world—the gift of God's own Son Jesus. Arguably the most quoted and memorized verse in all the Bible is John 3:16. It begins with **"For God so loved the world that he gave. . ."** That's right, our God is a giving God, giving more than any of us ever deserved. And now he calls us to be his giving children. Jesus said, **"As much as you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me."** Samaritan Village Orphanage is taking in the least of these—children abandoned and rejected by those who should have loved them.

Why not take this opportunity to sponsor a child in 2016 or make an end-of-the-year tax deductible donation? **Don't wait. Use the QR Code to sponsor or donate on your smartphone.**

WOULD YOUR CHURCH'S CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OR YOUTH MINISTRY LIKE TO SPONSOR A CHILD FROM SAMARITAN VILLAGE?

Right now the children's ministries at Adventure Church of Yuba City and Marysville Episcopal Church as well as the youth ministry at North Valley Calvary Chapel are each sponsoring a child. It's a great way to help children and youth understand what God's word says in James 1:27 **"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."**



We have created special posters and postcards featuring photos of each sponsored child as well as pictures of the orphanage. The posters can be used at the church and the postcards sent home with each child or youth.

If you would like to make a donation you can do so by using the enclosed envelope, by visiting the website or using your smartphone with the QR Code in this newsletter. You may also donate to Violet's graduation or the Summer Vacation trip.

MEET THE CHILDREN

Both of these children are in need of a sponsor. Visit the website to sponsor them or another child in need of a new family.

Wilson

Wilson is the one of the newest additions to Samaritan Village. Josephat, the director wrote, "Around 11pm, a baby boy was brought to Samaritan Village after being found at Kisongo near Snake Park Meserani. The baby looks healthy, and is approximately six months old. He was found on August 28, 2014. He has been given the name Wilson."



Ibrahim



Ibrahim was abandoned in Unga Ltd (slum area). He was found by a good Samaritan. He was brought to our center by social welfare officers. He likes politics and he is one of our children who is always asking about the government's ruling system. He looks small for his age. He is in St. Monica School Class 2.

DONATE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE

Use the codes below to sponsor a child or to donate using your smartphone.



Sponsor a child



Donate