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Your Love is Impacting Lives in Uganda!

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Hello friends,

I simply want to thank you for investing in the lives of children in Rakai. Because of your support through Orphans Light Inc., children in Rakai are healthy, are succeeding in school and have dreams for a better future.

Francis and Rose are twins and very good examples of how you are changing lives and giving children and their families hope for a better future!



In June 2017, a young mother brought twins babies, a boy (Francis) and a girl (Rose), into our office in Rakai. One was crying continuously, and the other was listless. They had very little hair, and what they had was reddish and brittle. There was a vacant look in their eyes.

The mother told our staff that she had taken the babies to a community government health clinic, and was told that the babies were extremely anemic and malnourished. The clinic staff said they could not treat the case and referred the mother to the National Hospital, 200 miles away from her village. She lived in extreme poverty and could neither make the trip nor pay the medical costs. She was desperate to save her babies but the obstacles seemed overwhelming.



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One neighbor directed her to go to our offices. That evening she started the journey with her two nearly lifeless twins and arrived at dawn. I recall so well that I was so afraid the children would die within the next hour and wanted her to go to the hospital immediately but the mother was insistent. The doctor at the clinic had mentioned to her about our Feeding Program and our care to malnourished children that had saved many children in the community. At the time, Rose weighed 14.5 pounds while Francis weighed 15.4 pounds. They were almost 3 years old.



Fast forward, Rose and Francis were out of danger after one year on the feeding program. It was a joy seeing them running into our offices; playing like any other children. The young mother had survived the unimaginable horror of watching her children starve to death!

When they were strong to go to school, one of our partners decided to adopt (sponsor) them. This

sponsorship assures Rose and Francis of quality education, food, clothing and medical care. At school, Francis and Rose are also learning the important values like honesty, integrity, hard work and service to others. We are hopeful that these young people will break the cycle of poverty and raise up their families, the community of Rakai and the nation of Uganda. They are our hope for the future!

There are so many children like Rose and Francis whose lives are being impacted by your generosity. We are so honored being on this journey with you. May God bless you.



today! 100% of your donation will go to the cost of construction. You can help us change the future for these children and so many others just like them. *All donations are tax deductible*

Special Appeal

We are hoping to raise enough money by year-end to build another girls dormitory and a boys' dormitory before the beginning of the 2023 school year. There are children waiting to attend Act Junior School but we need to complete these new dormitories before we can enroll more students. Please consider a gift

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