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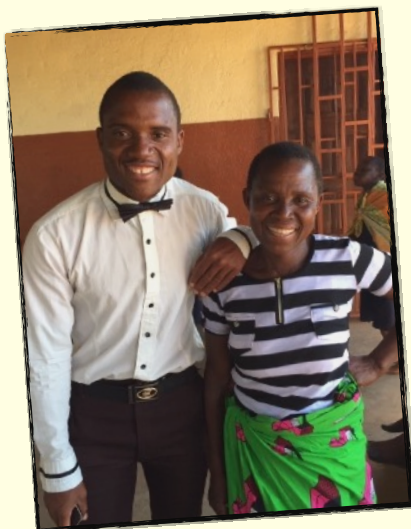
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IT WAS IN THEIR EYES



Written on the plaque at the entrance of the Kagoya Hope Center are the words from Romans 15:13: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." That hope and that joy was what we saw in the eyes of the sponsored children at both the Kagoya and Thuchila Hope Centers.

Our team of eleven has recently returned from a short term mission trip to Malawi. Our hearts were filled with such delight as we interacted with the children and saw first-hand the way Jesus is pouring His spirit into them. Through the Bible teachings and the truths they are learning about Jesus' love for them, their young lives are being impacted in tangible ways. He is giving them not only a spiritual hope that will last for all eternity, but He is giving them a hope for their lives in the here and now.



With examples like David, who has been sponsored at the Hope Center since 2006 and has now earned an accounting degree, the children recognize real and attainable possibilities for their futures. They now have aspirations to be teachers, and nurses, and businessmen and women, and designers, carpenters, and mechanics. Before the Hope Centers and the gift of real and high quality educational opportunities, these options were not available to them. However, through your generous sponsorships, these dreams have real hope of being fulfilled in their young lives. What a gift!

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And the joy...it is just over the top! We could see the joy of the Lord expressed through their singing, dancing, and through their interactions with one another and with us. The facilitators and the Holy Spirit have taught these young children to pray, and there was such joy in their voices as they extended their hands over us and prayed for us as we departed for home. We learned that every Wednesday, the sponsored children take time to gather and pray for their sponsors here in the U.S. How we pray that knowledge fills your heart with the same joy that fills theirs.

By contrast, there are many more children in the surrounding villages that are not yet part of Miqlat's Hope Center family. If you know of someone who might want to play a sponsorship role in the life of a child, please share this newsletter with them. We are always happy to help the next sponsor find a child to come alongside of as Jesus loves them and gives them hope and joy.

Thanks to each of you for the enormous part you are playing in the life of your sponsored child.



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