



From all of our sponsored children:  
**"ASANTE and we wish  
you many blessings!"**

### Greetings ACF Sponsors & Donors,

I'm very pleased to report that 2021 is off to a great start as ALL of our students have returned to school. Our oldest boy, Milton, who attends Strathmore University has now passed 5 of his CPA exams. This is a very challenging program and we are so proud of him!

Nelly (who many of you met when we brought her to the States a while ago) and Cynthia, our two oldest girls, will be taking their final exams in March before moving on to post secondary education. It is their hope to obtain a scholarship here in Arizona where they can stay with me and have their room/board covered. One of our new sponsors, **Denise Hansen**, has been kind enough to arrange a meeting with a friend who has gone through the process of bringing a student here to study. After receiving her degree, this student now lives and works in Nairobi, supporting herself and her extended family. I hope to learn how the process works and possibly recruit the young lady in Nairobi to help our kids as well.



The remainder of our other students are doing well and thrilled to be returning to their classrooms; photos and letters to come during their next break in April.

As most of you know, ACF is committed to transforming the lives of Maasai children through education and 100% of your donations go toward this endeavor. Our sponsored children receive a balanced diet, clean drinking water, toiletries, uniforms, books, tuition and boarding...all for just \$48 per month. Your support not only transform their lives, but those of their families and the generations to come. The impact is tremendous!

With that being said I am excited to announce that **we have selected 5 new children for our program - 3 girls and 2 boys, all shown below** Please help us find sponsors by sharing this email with your friends and family; on social networks; where ever you can spread the word!

ACF would not exist without your kindness and generosity. Together we **CAN** and **D O** make a difference!

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Milton, our future CPA



Faith, Mama & Mt. Kilimanjaro



Cynthia with Mama & Auntie

## Empowering Our Students

In today's world, computer skills are integral to all areas of study and work. Computer literacy is difficult for our students as they lack electricity and internet in their homes and obviously do not have laptops. The primary and secondary schools provide very limited access to computers and do not allow internet use. It's not until University that programs are offered and by that time, our students are far behind the curve.



To address this issue, ACF recently invested in a new program as a trial for two of our older students, Rose and Charity.

**The Technology Empowerment Program** is designed to teach students basic IT skills including Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Adobe Acrobat, Google Search and more. The two month course is offered at a private institution in Loitokitok, a city not too far from Amboseli Nat'l Park and our villages.

**Both Rose (pictured above right) and Charity excelled in this program; finishing in position #1 and #3 respectively in a class of 28.**

Going forward we hope to provide this for all of our students before they make the transition to post-secondary school.

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*Amboseli Children's Fund is committed to transforming the lives of Maasai children living in extreme need in the remote area of Amboseli, Kenya.*

*Government assistance does not exist for these people. Without our help, they have little hope of breaking free of this cycle of poverty. Education has been proven to be the most single, most effective means of change and your sponsorship will give these children the ability and confidence to set a new course for their future.*

*Our sponsored children receive a balanced diet, clean drinking water, toiletries, uniforms, books and tuition. These children are eager to learn and together we can make a difference!*

*Please join Amboseli Children's Fund in our mission to give back to those less fortunate...*

**Sponsor one of these children today!**

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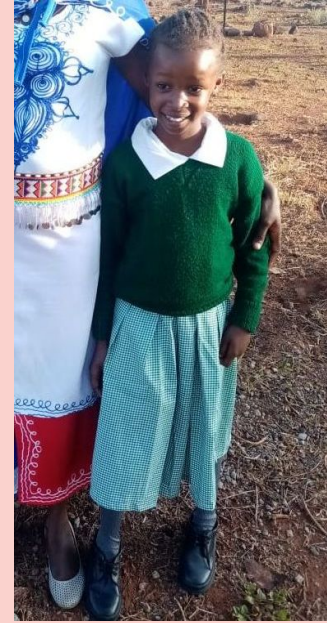
**Luyiana Sanaru -  
10 years**

This shy young man strives to make his family proud as he is their only child to attend school. He continually makes good marks and his teachers tell us he is an apt and attentive pupil. He is also fond of football league (soccer)! His parents struggle to make a living and are so thankful for our support.



**Mirriam Neeso -  
8 years old**

This adorable girl has consistently been one of the best students in her class but due to her parents lack of funds was not going to be returning this year. She is a very friendly, outgoing child and well liked by the other kids. She enjoys reading and drawing. She is so happy to be in our program and would love to have her own sponsor!



**Peninah Lembayiai -  
9 years old**

Teachers tell us she's very clever and works hard to perform well. English is her favorite subject but she also likes singing and practicing various styles of dancing. She enjoys listening to many different types of music. The oldest of 3 siblings she hopes to set an example for them and make her future sponsor proud.



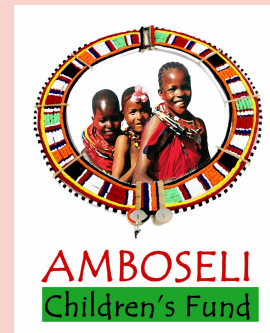
**Sirambei Kosiãnto -  
8 years**

This shy beauty had just completed one year of school before the virus struck. She was the top student in her grade and her teachers say she loves to sing and learns quickly. She has four siblings. No one in her family is educated, yet her parents know how it can change their lives and feel very fortunate



**Benson Sinkoi - 6 years**

Benson completed his first year of school with the highest marks of any student. His favorite subject is mathematics. His local school has a very harsh environment - no food is provided, no uniforms, kids are barefoot and in crowded classrooms. Fortunately, **Denise Hansen has already signed on to be his sponsor** and he will be



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to be in our program.

placed in one of our private academies.



## We need your photos!

The students love to get photos from their sponsors and I promised I'd do my best to send them some updated ones.

Please take a moment and email me your favorite pics; of yourself, family, pets, holidays...whatever. The more the better!

We appreciate your help and will be sending you some of your sponsored child when they are on the next school break in April.

THANK  
*you*

### **A note from Nelly:**

*Hello Mama Shari...how are you? I hope all is well with you and your family. Tomorrow I am going back to school. This is my final opening day in high school you know...am a little bit panicking because of the exam ahead of me. In Kenya, this is the exam that will determine how your future is going to be, in accordance to one's performance. You know Mama my target is an A. This has been my dream target since I joined Amboseli Children's Fund all those years ago. I want to make you and Keith and Brenda proud of me and what I can accomplish.*

*I really pray to God that he is going to help me achieve it. My parents are also praying for me even though they really don't understand what I mean by an A! I really miss you especially now...I really feel like I need your hug before I sit for this exam. Since it's impossible I have you in my mind and I know somebody somewhere in the US is wishing me all the best. I love you Mama, please include me in your prayers.*

*Your Maasai daughter, Nelly*



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