

Sponsored Families



Through our ministries in Eastern Europe and West Africa we offer families and individuals in the UK the opportunity to sponsor a family living in great poverty. Your regular donation of £20.00 a month could make a huge difference to a family who are struggling to feed and clothe their children.



Case study: Amie and Finda:

Amie was orphaned at a very young age and her Grandmother Finda (also widowed), was left to care for her. With no job and a disabled toddler to care for, Finda's only option was to beg. Life was very hard and there was very little food to eat. Because of Amie's disability (possibly Cerebral Palsy) she couldn't walk or talk and drooled constantly, superstitious local people said she must be possessed and her Grandma must be a witch, they were outcasts from the community.

When Amie was about 4 years old, Rev. Michael (our Sierra Leone Country Director) and his wife Alice (head teacher of New Hope School) met Finda and Amie on their way through the village. They saw how much need they were in and offered to help and invited them to come along to New Hope Church.



Shortly after Amie began attending New Hope School and a family in the UK with children of a similar age began sponsoring Amie and Finda. Their regular donations making a huge difference to the family being able to eat regularly and buy other essentials.

5 years later life is very different, Amie is 9 and a very happy little girl, Rev Michael says; "Amie is a very important person in our Church, she blesses us every day with her smile".



Amie loves school, she can't talk yet but communicates with her own form of sign language, she has a small wheelchair to get about in, but is also able to walk a few steps.

Finda and Amie are surrounded by friends in New Hope Church and live close to a number of them. From the prayer meeting at their house, Finda and two other ladies have started an outreach, sharing the gospel with their neighbours in the village.

Finda has also been taking part in the 'Hands of Dorcas' tailoring training project. She has recently graduated and has received her own sewing machine, she's now able to sell some clothes that she makes. At the moving graduation ceremony, as Finda received her certificate, a big group of her friends from Church jumped up and danced with her in celebration!



Amie and Finda's sponsoring family enjoy receiving news updates by email, pray regularly for them and have sent cards and small gifts, when one of our team visits Sierra Leone. The family were delighted to receive one of Amie's drawings recently and to know that Finda is praying for them too!

Jeremiah 29 v 11 says 'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future'. Through being a sponsored family this has become true for Amie and Finda, from a hopeless situation God has given them hope and a future. Could you offer a family in a hopeless situation the same hope for the future?

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