

Effective communication: What does that look like when reaching across a vast ocean to communicate with people who live in under developed countries? Internet in Africa is sketchy at best. Furaha and Bisoke are fortunate to work closely with Mission Aviation Fellowship. They provide a dish so Furaha has internet access in her home. Most Africans have to depend on internet services provided by cyber cafes. The user will have little privacy and legitimate security concerns while on line. Our African counterparts use a variety of apps on their cell phones to overcome the problems of their internet system. Bisoke communicates extensively on Messenger. Chaplain Emmanuel prefers text messages and Alexa and Paul use WhatsApp almost exclusively. In Messenger and WhatsApp we can use text messaging, insert photos, reports and make phone calls and/or video calls. Their selections are based on personal preference and cost. We use a variety of means to communicate with each other so we can be successful in our mission. Today we bring to you clips of those you are supporting through HCCA.



This is 7 year old Hafswah Nabasirye. She became orphan at birth. He father died iust months before her birth. Due to complications in delivery and surgery to save Hafswah, mom did not survive. Hafswah was taken in by an elderly grandmother but in time she became physically unable to care for her granddaughter. Alexa, the Director in Uganda and her husband Robert, took Hafswah into their household. Their son Jacob, age

two, loves and adores her. Hafswah was transferred to a school near her new home. Her certificate of completion shows her ability to adapt and grow. Learning English is a part of the curriculum. The calendar has a two-fold part in her studies at school. It is a form of





fundraising for the school and it's used to teach her the days, weeks and months of the year. Despite serious setbacks, she is a happy little girl that seems to have adjusted well but please keep her in prayer.



Kasemire Bamanyisa is 16 years old. Her father died in during the ethnic war in the Bogoro region in 2004. Her mother died in an accident in 2016. She now lives with her grandmother, her brother and sister, two step-sisters and a step-brother. She enjoys listening to gospel music while she works around the household. She loves to help her grandmother and does so without being asked. She fetches the water, assists with farming and usually prepare the meals. She likes to eat fish and cassava bread which is called Fufu in the Lingala language and Ugali in the Swahili language. She hopes to become a nurse. Her grandmother, Rehema, was not home at the time of the picture. She was at the hospital checking on her grandson who was sick.

Katusabe Tibasima is 22 years old. His father was killed in the ethnic war in Bogoro in 2003. He has no siblings. He lives with his mother at his uncle's house. He assists with chores

around the home and spends much of his time tending to the crops. Because of the war his studies were disrupted for several years yet he strives to finish well. He is in Form 6. His favorite subject is Psychology. He wishes to become a lawyer. His hobby is sports. He loves to play football. His favorite food is bananas. Most young men like Katusabe, never have the opportunity to return to school. They become trapped in the manual labor work force and struggle to make a living.

This is a brief snapshot of the lives you impact when partnering with us. Your gifts impact their health and welfare in many ways; safe homes, safe water, education, health care, and spiritual care. I will be in Africa during



the month of January. 2019 will be the year to increase the dollar amount in micro grants to the families that care for the orphans and disadvantaged children. We will continue to implement projects such as well drilling in Bogoro, DR Congo and take additional steps to improve farming in Uganda.

Thank You! Glenn Mork, Executive Director, HCCA.

## **HOW TO HELP?**

- \_\_ Micro Loans/Grants for Uganda and DR Congo School fees, Uniforms and supplies
- \_\_\_ Safe Water, well drilling in Bogoro, DR Congo
- \_\_\_ Health initiatives
- General Fund/Where most needed

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