



The burden on Tim and Wilma's heart:  
to start children's homes that would enable orphans  
to have an opportunity for health, education, love and care.

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Dear Child's Destiny of Hope supporter:

Thank you for your commitment to Child's Destiny of Hope. There is great news to tell about what is happening with the Omalla family in Kampala, Uganda in the past few months. Many prayers have been answered in the 8 months since landing at the airport: children are being provided with a home, education, love and hope that they did not have before! While these are just the beginning stages, it reminds us of an old story.

"A STARFISH STORY"

*A man was walking along the beach one evening and saw a little boy throwing starfish that had been washed ashore by the tide into the sea. He thought the boy was silly in trying to save the starfish, as he knew it was impossible to throw every single one of the starfish back into the sea, with the tides washing them up.*

*The man walked right up to the boy and asked him why he was trying to save the starfish.*

*"You see sir; the starfish would die if they are left on the shore. They need to be in the sea in order to live," answered the boy with all the innocence of a child.*

*"But son, how are you going to save all of them? Every time you put one back, another would be washed up. It doesn't matter to them, son."*

*The boy picked up a starfish, looked at the man and said, "But sir, it matters to this one." After saying that, he threw the starfish back into the sea.*

*--Author Unknown*

Who are the "stars" being saved today from a life without hope? How are you able to help them? Please read this exciting news edited from Tim and Wilma's recent e-mails:

... We will be going on Thursday to have a second interview and very most probably take two orphans - sister and brother. They have lost both parents and live with their uncle. The whole plan was to collect them next week, however, we just received a call that the uncle has now decided to take this girl to work as a house help for someone with triplets. This is an emergency for us and for this, we have decided to make our trip earlier. The girl, Suzan, is 14 and the boy is 12 (they've hardly been in school... still in primary school).

... We now have Suzan and Benja with us and this morning, we took them to a local school (school/academic year started last week on 4th February) where they are having an interview and they will also have to stay in school for the day to be 'tested' on where they fit.

... Suzan and Benja started schooling the day after the interview. They were both taken to the same class (P3 - Primary 3) instead of P6 and P5 respectively because they miss the basics. It is nice to start the real work though challenging.

... We also would like to collect Emma and his brother Jonathan as soon as possible so that they can also proceed with schooling. For the start/first time, each kid's tuition plus extras (uniform and some scholastic materials plus registration and other small requirements) will cost 100 Euros per child. We do feel a bit bad that we have to mention money but that is what we are faced with anyway.

...We have completed the renovations with very slight repairs on the doors left. We do, however, face some financial challenge; We realized that we had only one shower and toilet. Practically (and for this age of kids), it is not wise having boys and girls sharing. We therefore erected an extra room with two showers and transformed the existing pit latrines into flush toilets all for the boys. This was an extra cost but needed. For this reason, we have not been able to buy mattresses and beddings etc. We do need to get these for the kids. Well, we are glad things are rolling and this gives us energy.

Greetings,  
Tim and Wilma

The Omalla's energy and commitment to their vision is inspiring. The family believes that they are where God has called them to be. Tim and Wilma and the boys are already making a difference "one child at a time". They feel guilty for expressing financial needs when they see how little so many around them have, but they desire to provide a quality home for these children.

We all know and appreciate that these goals are only possible through your generous prayer and financial support. If you are able to support Child's Destiny of Hope with additional finances, please consider the following needs:

- Monthly giving to support housing and schooling costs for the children
- Monthly giving to support the Omalla family
- One time gifts allow for home renovations and provide for emergencies
- Building fund donations to purchase land for a future home and school campus

Please also include Child's Destiny of Hope and the Omalla family in your prayers. God is faithful as always and we thank you in advance for that commitment. Please also consider telling a friend or family member about the work being done by Child's Destiny of Hope. We have a newly designed web page that we are excited about sharing: **[www.CDHope.org](http://www.CDHope.org)**

Again, thank you for sharing in the vision of Child's Destiny of Hope. We appreciate you and your partnership with us. May God richly bless you and the work in Uganda!

Sincerely,

Carlyle DeCoteau  
Chairman, Child's Destiny of Hope

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