

Our Highlights

2023-2024 Serenje sponsor site, Zambia



This fiscal year saw development at the site in many ways, especially in the following areas:

SPONSORSHIP



1,848

sponsored children



991

sponsored girls



857

sponsored boys



100%

of sponsored children were enrolled in school



71

family circles



80

sponsored children graduated secondary school



374

sponsored children received health check-ups

NUTRITION



111,810

meals served



510

students benefited from the school nutrition program

CRITICAL NEEDS



1

beneficiary had a medical critical needs funded

Father Christmas visits unique boarding school

Most students at St. Mary's School for the Visually Impaired are sponsored through our Kawambwa site, Zambia. As a boarding school, students are far from home, but Father Christmas can still find them.

In the assembly hall, the students wait for their teacher's signal. Then they burst into song: to the tune of Frere Jacques, they sang "Father Christmas, Father Christmas, where are you?" When they sing "Ring your bell, ring your bell," Santa's bell clangs. Santa (an older student in costume) marches in with a hearty "I wish you a Merry Christmas!"

"Amen!" they replied.

"I wish that all your dreams come true."

"Amen!"

As the choir broke into We Wish You a Merry Christmas, Santa and his helper distributed treats to all the children.



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