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# ST. THERESE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER ORPHANAGE

# GASORWE BURUNDI- EAST AFRICA CONSTRUCTION OF DORMITORY-PHASE TWO

Construction of the St. Therese of the Little Flower Orphanage dormitory is near completion. Up until now, the orphanage has provided for 49 children with very limited space. The new dormitory will eliminate cramped living conditions and provide better accommodations for the children. Your generous donations to the orphanage general fund allowed STLFWM to provide grant funds for the construction of the new dorm.

The orphanage, founded by Sr. Pudentiana Kirungo to provide a refuge for children affected by genocide, is run by the Sisters of St. Therese of the Child Jesus of the Bukoba Catholic Diocese in Tanzania.



## SPECIAL REQUEST:

Our sponsored children have a special request! They would like a photo of their sponsor. If you would like to send your child a photo and note please forward them to us by February 20, 2011, to be mailed to the orphanage in Burundi.



#### **Our Mission Statement:**

St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission, Inc. (STLFWM) is an independent mission board dedicated to serving the poorest of the poor in Africa by supporting missionary projects that focus on education, healthcare and orphans. Missionary projects are carried out by the Sisters of St. Therese of the Child Jesus of the Bukoba Catholic Diocese in Tanzania.

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### St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission Child Sponsorship Program for the 2009-2010 School Year Celebrates Its Success

## Did you know?

- Four of our children were baptized this past year, one received First Communion and two received Confirmation.
- In 2010, St. Therese of the Little Flower Orphanage received sponsorship funds totaling \$16,100. In addition to this amount, the orphanage received \$6,443 for the general fund. Sr. Delphina Kokuzanisa, who oversees the orphanage, expressed gratitude for your tremendous generosity
- Eight of our children recently sat for the National Examination to enter high school.

- Our oldest child, Kamariza Esperance, will complete her education in six months in Computer Technology. She plans to find employment that will utilize her computer skills and allow for her to begin living on her own and providing for her two younger brothers!
- Two of our children, Nibigira Diogen and Sugabo Anthony attend Rusengo Seminary. Both boys are excited about the opportunity to attend secondary school at the seminary. The education is superior to that provided by the alternative secondary government school. In addition, the seminary provides preparation for the priesthood.

In addition to individual/family sponsors, the following organizations also support our sponsorship program:

- St. Lawrence Catholic School: Tampa, Florida
- St. Philip Neri School: Metairie, Louisiana
- Elizabeth Ann Seton Church: Citrus Springs, Florida
- Lay Apostles of Jesus Christ the Returning King; Mount Holly, N. Carolina
- Mission Critical Solutions of Tampa, Inc





Huwiler Primary School is lacking access to clean drinking water for 800 students. The existing tank does not supply enough water. Currently, they are forced to share water from a pond with animals which exposes them to water born diseases. Construction of a shallow well will provide safe water for the entire school. We are seeking donations to cover the cost, \$9,200, of construction of a shallow well. Any donation is welcomed and greatly appreciated!

In the fall of 2009, AHN high school student, Katie Martin, was inspired to make a CD that would allow her to share her voice with others as well as support a charitable cause. Proceeds received through sales of the CD will be donated to St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission. The CD features classical and contemporary Catholic songs such as "Ave Maria", "Pie Jesu", "Panis Angelicus", "Mary Did You Know?", "How I Love Your Word", and "Amazing Grace". The CD, Nam Amore Mariae, For the Love of Mary, is available for \$10. Donations to date for the orphanage have totaled approximately \$1,500.





The Rumuli Convent which is the main location for the St. Therese Congregation in Bukoba, Tanzania is in need of major renovation due to the deterioration of the asbestos roof and potential threat of cancer. The original building was constructed in the 1960's with no subsequent renovations. The building hosts hundreds of people daily for various programs and activities. Since 2001, 17 young nuns have died from cancer. We are seeking donations to cover the cost for renovations that will include roofing with iron sheets, repair of cracked walls and new plumbing. The total cost of renovations will be \$109,000. Any donation is welcomed toward our goal!