

THE EDUCATION FUND AND MATCHING GIFTS

One of the many blessings of coming alongside Shining Lights Children's Home is knowing that all the children are growing, not just physically and spiritually, but also in wisdom, learning, and understanding. In our last letter, we mentioned a boy named Roba. Four years ago, Roba lived on the street with his two brothers. Now he is enrolled in school, along with his brothers, and he is excelling! Roba is currently in the 6th grade and has been identified as a distinguished student!

Looking to the future, one of our primary goals is to start increasing the amount of money for schooling in an education fund. **The money in the education fund will be used to pay for current tuition at a local private school. We will also set a certain percentage aside, so the children at the children's home can enroll in higher education after their secondary (high-school) education** if they so desire. Obtaining higher education opens a lot of opportunities for students in Ethiopia. We want to make sure each child is fully equipped for anything God calls them to do. Kabelle, the oldest (in the blue uniform), is currently in the 9th grade and is already thinking and praying about what she might study!

Some generous supporters of Shining Lights Ministry, who have a heart for education, **have pledged to donate a total of \$2100 of matching funds if we raise \$2100 in donations** for our education fund. Would you prayerfully consider helping us raise \$2100, so we could receive \$2100 in matching funds? We are so thankful for this opportunity! Any overages received will be designated to the general fund.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Bianna Nelson

Board Chair



Genet (1st grade), Kabelle (9th grade), Turu (4th grade)

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