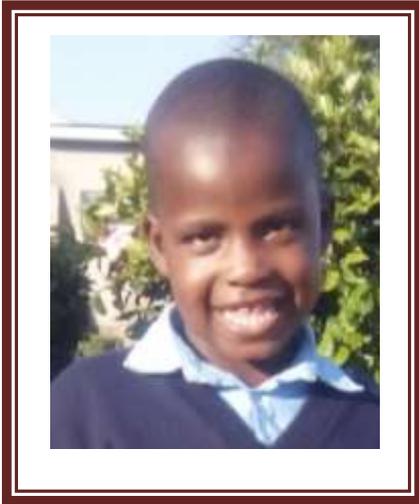


1. HELENA



Helena is a 5 year old girl originating from the neighbouring Likamba village from which the Centre tapped its water pipeline. Helena's father died several years ago from complications of AIDS leaving Helena and her elder brother to the care of their mother who is also an AIDS sufferer currently using ARVs. The family was hardly scratching a living when one of the Centre staff who also comes from the same village identified her and recommended her to us for admission. Currently, she is in our Kindergarten, where she is doing excellently, being the best in the class. Helena was diagnosed to be HIV positive, but her health is still very strong and she is not using ARVs. Though still very young,

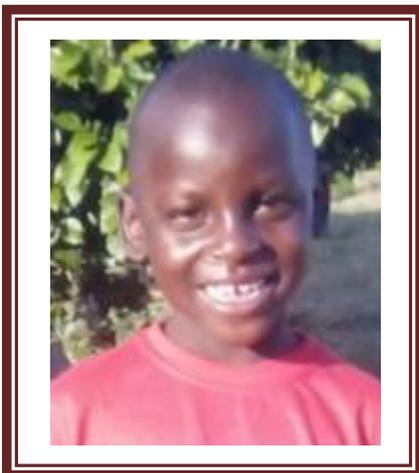
she loves to work in the Kitchen, where staff members have to be careful to keep her away especially when the firewood stoves are on.

2. EMMANUEL BAKARI

Emmanuel 5 is a brother of Peter below. They come from Kifaru, some 20 kilometres from Moshi along the road to Dar es salaam. Their father died several years ago from AIDS complications, leaving them and their very sick mother who is also HIV positive and using ARVs, in the care of a poor aunt. Emmanuel has shown little progress at the Centre kindergarten but the teacher is making much effort to help him. Emmanuel has been spared from the AIDS infection and is of very good health. Emmanuel loves to play with water and mud.



3. PETER BAKARI

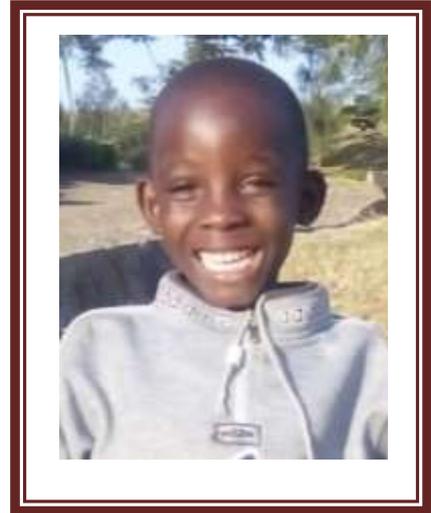


Peter 7 is a brother of Emmanuel above. They come from Kifaru, some 20 kilometres from Moshi along the road to Dar es salaam. Their father died several years ago from AIDS complications, leaving them and their sickly mother, who is also HIV positive and using ARVs in the care of a poor aunt, who has also to scratch a living for his own poor family. Like his younger brother, Peter has shown very little progress at the Centre kindergarten where his teacher is making effort to help him as she does for Emmanuel. Peter

too has been spared from the AIDS infection and is of very good health. Peter loves to play football, and he is also fond of working with adults.

4. SARAH JAMES MAKAMULA

We took 5 year old Sarah from Usa River, some 20 Km from Arusha city, where she was living in very poor conditions with her mother, both of them HIV positive and sickly on ARVs. Sarah came to the centre being grossly underweight due to both the infection and very poor nutrition. In spite of both of them taking ARVs, Sarah and her mother, were barely surviving on one light meal that they could obtain a day. This accounts for her small size compared to her age. And even with good nutrition that we have tried to provide, the lack of good early start, has made her growth to be stunted. Sarah who came to the centre as a fearful and sickly girl, has now developed into a warm very healthy and lively girl whose laughter welcomes all visitors. Being still young, she is attending our Kindergarten in which she is an average pupil. Sarah is a very playful girl who likes to dance and sing.



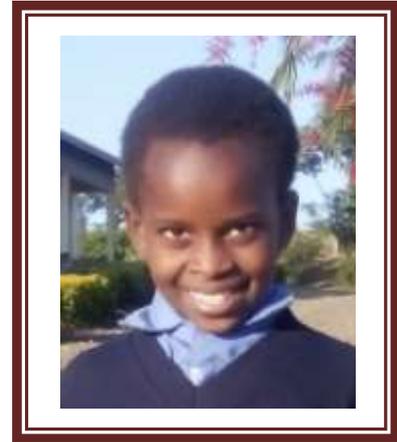
5. JUSTINE YUSUFU NGUZO

10 years old Justine is the only child of his family, his father died in 2010 from complications of AIDS. His mother who is also suffering from AIDS, survived, but is living on ARVs. At the time we took him, Justine was reported by his mother, and the volunteer who guided us to them to have been found to be HIV positive, but was in fair health and not on ARVs. Justine was living with his mother in very poor conditions in the Kijenge Mwanama slum area of Arusha city. Subsequently, we retested Justine, and found him to be HIV negative. His mother depends on washing clothes of her neighbour to provide for them. He is now in class two at Yakini, where he has not been doing very well, though he has managed to meet the minimum required marks to move into the next. His health also has not been excellent, often suffering from dry cough, which doctors attribute to an allergic condition. Justine loves to play football.



6. GRACE THOMAS LAIZER

9 year old and ever smiling Grace Thomas is on ARVs and has an elder 13 year old sister who is also HIV positive. When their mother became weak due to AIDS, Grace was taken by her paternal aunt, while her elder sister was given to the care of their paternal grandmother. Their father is an irresponsible man and also an alcoholic who cannot keep a job. Seven months later, when their mother succumbed to the disease, Grace remained in the care of the aunt, who unfortunately is also an AIDS patient on ARVs. Grace came to the centre as one of our weakest kid, but has since regained her health and vigour. She is now in class two at Yakini, where she has often been among the 5 top pupils in her class. Recently the centre rejoiced when Grace had her viral load taken and was found to have a level which is untraceable. We still cannot tell if she is eventually free from the virus, and her doctor has retained her on treatment until we can be sure of her condition, which will take an extended observation period. Her best time of the day is in the afternoon when you will see her among the first to run to the play ground to take a swing. At the centre, Grace is above all other children in taking care of her personal things. She arranges her cloth drawer very well and makes sure that it is left always smart.



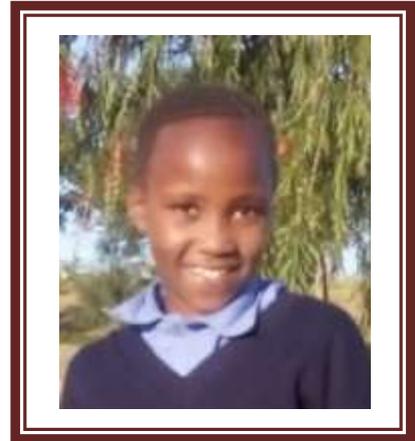
7. JORDAN CHARLES MPINDA

This six years old boy is a very polite, well behaved and bright member of our Kindergarten class at the Centre. We took Jordan from Ngaramtoni, a semi urban settlement along Arusha to Nairobi Road. He was living with his HIV positive mother, who is already on a course of ARVs, both of them being cared by an elderly grandmother. In the Kindergarten, the ever smiling Jordan has shown excellent progress. While Jordan has the HIV virus and is already using ARVs, he has shown excellent health. Jordan loves to listen to stories, therefore he is always sticking close to adults with the hope of hearing another story.



8. ROSE KADOGO LUKUMAY

11 years old Rose is called Kadogo which means the small one because of her small body size, probably caused by poor nutrition and her poor health. Rose is HIV positive and on ARVs. Her father died of AIDS complications, leaving her to the care of a very sick mother, who is an AIDS patient. When her mother became bedridden, Rose was taken by a maternal aunt, who being too poor to take care, requested our assistance. When she came to the Centre in October 2013, she was very sickly and was soon found to be infected with Tuberculosis, but now after receiving proper treatment she has fully recovered and stable in her health. Rose is attending class one Yakini, where she is has had a average performance.



Rose loves to be in the kitchen, where readily offers to help in any of the small chores. The cook has often to be careful to restrain her from doing more than her age will allow.

9. AYUBU PETER LUHAYA

7 years old Ayubu hails from Manyara Region, which was recently curved from the former larger Arusha Region. He was brought to Arusha by a Good Samaritan after seeing the suffering that the young boy was passing through. After the death of her mother, the father disappeared,



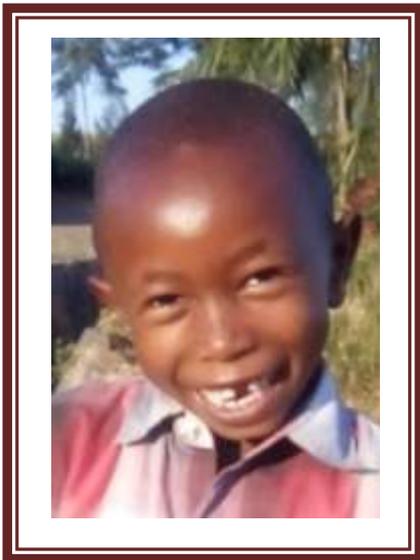
and has never been found. Ayubu was therefore left to the care of an old paternal grandmother, who was hardly able to provide more than a meal per day, let alone education. Ayubu has now joined the special program of Yakini Primary School which is designed to prepare children to join class one next term. His progress in school has been very good, being always among ten best pupils in his class. At home he has distinguished himself as a hard working boy who responds very well to gentle correction. He loves livestock therefore, recently after we started a sheep project, he I often to be found helping the man responsible for the care of sheep.

10. SELEMANI MOHAMED

This very lively and brave young boy was living with her HIV positive mother in Kifaru Village some twenty kilometres from Moshi Municipality on the road to Dar es Salaam. Selemani, was born HIV positive some 8 years ago, but has braved his way through life with commendable courage. He is on ARVs and is usually the first to remind adults when it is time for him to take his medicine. His father died of AIDS in 2012, leaving Selemani under the care of his sickly mother, also on ARVs and having to care with 3 other children aged between 10 and 16. Since Selemani who is the youngest, HIV positive and on ARVs, was the most vulnerable of the four children, we accepted him at the Centre. He is now studying in class one at Yakini Primary School. He is a very cooperative, polite and smart boy. One of his clear talents is that of being a leader and a peace maker; he will often be seen trying to help other children to settle arguments without fighting. In class he had started with very poor performance, but he has made significant improvements since he came. Selemani loves to draw, even though he has not shown great talent.



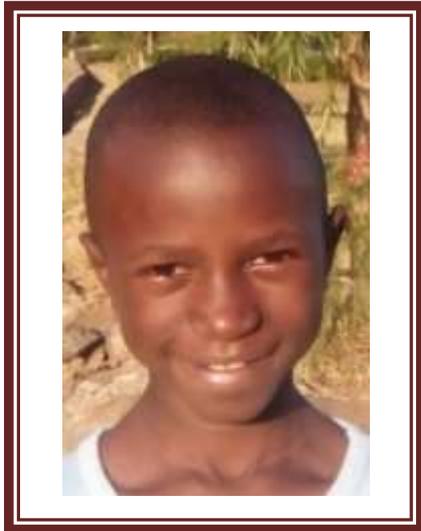
11. ELISHA THADEI KAVISHE



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Elisha who is 6 years old, was leaving with his grandmother together with his elder brother, Joshua bellow. He was admitted to the centre together with His brother last year. Their mother died from AIDS complications several years ago, while their father has been bedridden due to the same sickness and using ARVs. Therefore, two boys and their father were being cared for by an elderly grandmother, who was depending on crashing stones at Majengo slum area of Arusha city. Though he is HIV positive and using ARVs like his brother, Elisha has remained of good health. He is being schooled at our Kindergarten class, where he is an average pupil. He loves to play with sheep and chase them around

12. JOSHUA THADEI KAVISHE



8 Year old Joshua, is a brother to Elisha above. Both were leaving with their paternal grandmother in the Majengo slum area of Arusha City. He was admitted to the centre together with His brother last year. Their mother died from AIDS complications several years ago, while their father has been bedridden due to the same sickness and using ARVs. Therefore, two boys and their father were being cared for by an elderly grandmother, who was depending on crashing stones. Joshua who is HIV positive and using ARVs, came to the Centre in a very weak condition and was soon found to have Tuberculosis. However, after receiving appropriate treatment, he has fully recovered and is now strong and of stable health. He is attending school at Yakini Primary School, where he is in a special program of being prepared to enter Class one next term. At school, he is an average pupil. Joshua likes to crack jokes to make other laugh, he is a natural comedian.

13. ELIA EMMANUEL GWANDU



Elia is now an 9 years old boy originally hailing from Basutu in Hanang District of Manyara Region, which a few years ago was sliced from the formerly larger Arusha Region. His mother who conceived out of wedlock, died when Elia was only four month old; while the whereabouts of his father, who has clearly avoided his responsibility are not known. Following the loss of his mother, the baby Elia was initially cared for by his elderly maternal grandmother. Unfortunately, the old woman was also of poor health and could not take good care of Elia, consequently, the health of Elia deteriorated, until an aunt (elder sister of her mother), living in a township of Mto wa Mbu, Monduli District, Arusha Region had pity on the boy and decided to take over his care. This courageous woman barely managed to care for Elia together with four children of her own, while depending on petty trading, but as Elia was coming to school age and her own children were growing, it became more difficult to this family to manage. Consequently, Elia's aunt sought admission to the newly opened Canaan Children Centre, which with the consent of the Social Welfare Department readily admitted him on the basis of being a destitute orphan. He is now in class two at Yakini. Elia is a very intelligent boy who has always been the first or the second in his class. Because of his inquisitive mind, he also

loves to dismantle and rebuild things, which he often fails, landing him in trouble for being destructive.

13. EMMANUEL YUNUSA



Emmanuel is a 10 years old boy, who originates from a rural district of Mbeya, one of the southern highlands regions of Tanzania. He was brought to Arusha by good Samaritan who wanted this poor but very bright boy to have a chance in life. His mother died of AIDS when Emmanuel was only 18 months old, his father is an irresponsible man whose whereabouts are unknown, though he known to be alive. Emmanuel has surprised all at the centre, for being wiser than his age could account. He has always been considerate, polite and verbally appreciative of even small gestures. Emmanuel is attending class two at Yakini where he has always been among ten best pupils in his class. Emmanuel is a very creative boy and has show a great potential in painting. He will always pick a paper and make a drawing of

a person.

15. EMMANUEL GIDEON

We took 6 years old Emmanuel from the Kware slum area of Sakina, where he was living with his completely crippled mother both mother and child being under the care of a very old and poor grandmother. The father of this young boy has never accepted responsibility. The living condition of this family was so bad, because the old grandmother had to scratch a living for herself and her two dependants. Emmanuel who come to the centre as very timid boy, has over time developed into a very bright, friendly and well behaved boy. He is attending our kindergarten, where he is an average pupil who is fond of building mad huts and drawing. He is a very health boy, who only suffers from simple maladies such as common cold.

