

LIVING PROOF | Update to Sponsors

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LIVING PROOF SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS GROWING

When we first established the Living Proof program, one of the unique aspects was the LP scholarship fund. LP sponsorship is only \$20 per month, but \$5 of that twenty dollars goes directly into the LP scholarship fund which was designed to pay High School tuition for each sponsored child when they reach High School age. These LP kids come from extremely poor families and coming up with High School tuition is usually out of the question. Through this great program, we currently have around 400 kids in High School who otherwise would have no chance of going.

Well, one of the unforeseen blessings that we are now experiencing is that due to the hyperinflation of Zimbabwe currency, our U.S. dollars have become that much stronger. Consequently, the cost of putting these LP kids into High School is currently less than we had budgeted for. In addition, we have had a number of generous donors who have given financial gifts directly toward the LP scholarship fund.

This is great news! What this means is that we not only have the funds available to put every LP kid into High School, but we are now making plans to financially sponsor many of them to go into Zimbabwe Christian College and prepare for the Ministry! Even out of the worst of economic times, God provides a way!



COVID-19 UPDATE

Please continue to pray for our friends and family in Zimbabwe. Positive cases started increasing rapidly as the weather started to cool in June and then at a faster rate in July. The second school term, which normally runs May-August, has yet to begin. The virus is also causing further political and economic instability and unrest.

Your continued support of the Living Proof program during the pandemic has been crucial. Sponsors allowed us to provide some stability and ensure our students and staff that we are anxiously awaiting the start of school with them. Our students will need their Living Proof clubs now more than ever and our workers are ready to get back to it!



HELP US FIND 300 NEW LIVING PROOF SPONSORS

By Al Serhal

Last week I received a phone call from a Minister in Illinois asking about the LP program and would I be interested in coming to his church to recruit sponsors for our kids. I said, "Wow. This doesn't usually happen this way. I am always the one calling the preachers trying to work my way into your church. This is great!" Well, after talking with him a while I found out that our mission had been recommended to him by his mentor, Joe Putting, who is the Sr. Minister of the great Tomoka Christian Church, in Ormond Beach, FL. TCC is a big church of over 3000 people and they sponsor over 400 of our LP kids. TCC

is one of the greatest Mission churches in the world having planted churches in over 100 countries! To think that with all of the great missions that TCC supports and all the issues and challenges that churches are facing today with Covid-19 (reopening for services, following guidelines, dealing with financial cuts, etc.), to think that Joe is still challenging his people as well as fellow ministers to keep looking outward—it is just awesome!

It was Joe Putting who famously said, "If you are a First World Christian you should be sponsoring at least one Third World child." Due to Covid-19 and so many churches having to shut down for 2 months or longer, as well as much lower attendance now that most have started back up again, I have not personally been able to get out much speaking on behalf of the mission and recruiting new LP sponsors. So I am looking forward to representing HVCM and the Living Proof program at this new church in Illinois next month. We pray that we will get a number of folks willing to partner with us as we partner with God to make an eternal investment in the lives of these young people.



So what about you? Would you be willing to work with us to help find LP sponsors for the 300 unsponsored kids we currently have waiting? Really it comes down to your testimony! Just as Joe vouched for HVCM and our Living Proof program, you can do the same.

Let's schedule a Living Proof Sunday at your church. You can do this with us there or we can send you information, sign up forms and a 3 minute video so that you can do it yourself as our representative. You can set up a table in the welcome center and sign them up! Give us a call or send an



email and we can walk you through it. Of course, we would welcome any opportunity to personally come to your church to promote a Living Proof sign up Sunday.

In addition, Rachel will be launching a LP

promotional drive via Facebook. You can certainly help us out by watching for it on your Facebook feed and sharing it when you have the chance along with your personal endorsement and testimony.

At the end of the day, it is that endorsement that means the most!