

## A BRIGHT AND HAPPY BOY



Tamrat Mulugeta, age 5

Tamrat Mulugeta is a precious 5-year-old boy who is shy and very bright. He was abandoned by his father when he was an infant due to his father's addiction to drugs and alcohol. Tamrat currently lives with his mother, Bizuayehu.

Bizuayehu spent eight years working abroad in Beirut, Dubai and Saudi Arabia to earn an income. After this, she returned to Ethiopia and worked at a Chinese factory in Addis Ababa until she lost her job due to the pandemic. During her time at the factory, Bizuayehu learned how to sew. She has recently been given an opportunity to use these skills to earn an income sewing uniforms for students and teachers at the BCI Academy. Bizuayehu is eager to excel at her new job and is a very hard worker. She always has a joy-filled smile on her face, and Tamrat has learned this by example.

One year ago, Tamrat struggled with his health when he consumed tainted food and water, but he has since recovered. He enjoys learning his ABC's, playing soccer and merry-go-round. This young family lives in a small home with a shared mattress, toilet, couch and cabinet. Tamrat is partially sponsored and needs \$75 in additional support to be fully sponsored. Would you like to be part of his story?

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## SUMMER CAMP SUCCESS

The children in our program are smart, talented and full of possibility. Their unstable home lives and broken family situations mean that they need special care and investment in their mental, spiritual and physical health to reach their potential.

This summer, we gave 81 students an opportunity to participate in a camp experience at the BCI Academy. The participating students were in grades 6 through 12. The students were sub-divided into three groups based on their ages and grade levels. Each group attended camp twice weekly for several weeks.

The purpose of the camp was to empower the children in a number of areas. They were trained on self-awareness, improving their academic performance, planning for the future, developing vision and goal setting. The training was divided into sections based on topics, with involvement from a number of teachers working together to integrate learning with fun and games.

The day started by sharing a meal together. The students were given classroom instruction and then participated in hands-on experiences to reinforce their learning.

We're looking to build on the success of this camp with our Teach to Reach program in July 2023. Learn how you can get involved:

<https://blessingthechildren.org/teach.html>



Breakfast Time



Fun Learning Activities



Unit on Self-Awareness



# CALLED TO SEND

Some feel called to go to Ethiopia and experience the beautiful country and culture firsthand. They feel God nudging them to immerse themselves on the front lines of the ministry by going and doing. They are eager to walk side by side with the children, bear witness to their struggles and offer their physical presence to be used for God’s glory.

For others, their hearts are in Ethiopia, but circumstances don’t allow them to make the trip. If this sounds like you, we would like to share with you an opportunity to be a part of missions work without leaving your home.

We invite you to consider that God may be calling you to help send a missionary. You can make it possible for someone who



Missionary Tim with the Twins

us in supporting a missionary.

has the right circumstances but lacks resources to make the trip. Think of yourself as the behind the scenes crew facilitating God’s work on the ground in Ethiopia.

We have a goal of offering a scholarship opportunity for our Teach to Reach program for July 2023 and we would love to send a missionary in your honor. A donation in any amount will help defray the cost for a missionary eager travel to Ethiopia to do God’s work. We’ll be sure to report back to you so that you can see how your support is making an impact on the ground.

If this sounds like a good fit for you, please get in touch to partner with

# EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION



**Rahel Gezachew**  
1st place in grade 6 class  
96% average for 2021/22



**Kalkidan Kasahun**  
4th place in grade 3 class  
93% average for 2021/22



**Yordanos Gezachew**  
2nd place in grade 4 class  
96% average for 2021/22

# PRAYER REQUEST



Elsa Alemeshet, age 11

Elsa is an 11-year-old girl with a difficult history. When she was in kindergarten, she was kidnapped while walking to school. Within days, her father died from the effects of high blood pressure. Her mother searched for Elsa for months and finally found her at the side of the road. Her kidnappers were using her to beg for money.

Elsa currently lives with her mother, brother and sister. Her mother, Almaz, struggles to support her children as she has battled many health problems, including cancer. Currently, she is suffering from severe and progressive liver disease.

The family experienced another setback recently when Elsa’s three-year-old sister was diagnosed with diabetes. Her sister spent time in the hospital and this kept Almaz out of work.

Almaz has been blessed with the opportunity to start her own Open Market IGA business. While she works to get this business off the ground, BCI has stepped in to provide additional food support.

Please join us in praying for Elsa and her family as they work to overcome their compounding challenges.



Almaz receiving food support

# IMMEDIATE NEEDS

**Sponsorship Completion**  
Provide sponsorship support for 5-year-old Tamrat Mulugeta, to meet his needs and help him thrive.

**Need: \$90/mo.**  
**Raised: \$15/mo.**  
**Remaining Need: \$75/mo.**



**IGA - Phase 2**  
Meet the business start-up needs for a mom looking to work at the Open Market to support her family.

**Need: \$2,025**  
**Raised: \$735**  
**Remaining Need: \$1,290**



**Esrael’s Medical School**  
Support Esrael Yirga’s living expenses as she studies at medical school to become a doctor.

**Need: \$125/month**  
**Raised: \$0/month**  
**Remaining Need: \$125/month**



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