

Dear SOCH, SOA, ZOA,

First of all, I would like to express my great appreciation on behalf of all those lucky and financially sponsored by you. One philosopher said: no appreciation is enough for great kindness. But here, I still want to thank you all for your kindness, which has provided us with hope and courage to live a better life.

I lived in desperation. My mom and dad died from HIV infection when I was 5 years old. Knowing that I was affected, it ~~was~~ became difficult for me to live an HIV positive life. As this affected me academically. It was such a disaster that am too sad to talk about it. None of my sisters nor brothers completed high school, for this I had no hope of going to school as I am the last born in the family.

If I had not received your help and love from you through Mr. Chuma and the entire body from the center, I would have lost all my confidence to continue my life. Despite the difficulties and challenges I went through, my studies were not much affected but rather strengthened my faith to study harder. I didn't feel lonely as I was taken care of by the caretakers. I sensed the great warmth from the love I received from all the SOCH workers especially Mr. Chuma who encouraged me academically. His encouraged ment made me feel forget that am HIV positive.

Your love and support has made me reach this far, therefore I will not disappoint those nice people who gave me love and hope. Your kindness means a lot to me as great as a mountain. The only thing I



can do to reward your kindness is to study hard.

Being in college was my long awaited dream despite my poor results which I got due to my poor health condition. Now am rejoicing because my wish has been filled by you. I am really enjoying life in college, I have met new friends who have been my second family. Attending lectures and attempting assignment has been very much enjoying as well.

The college is very nice to be at. it has good lecturers who are well experienced.

My health has been a challenge to me. Each time I go for a review I am told that my viral load has gone up, but apparently my medication has been changed, I will be on observation for three months. After 3 months, if the results turns out to be different then it will be well for me. Despite this, am studying harder so that if I

complete my tertiary education I can encourage my fellow friends in the same ~~st~~ situation that being HIV positive does not mean your life has ended. I wish to complete my education so that I can educate other vulnerable children. It is through your ~~hard~~ hard working and love that I was educated, therefore I want to help others from my hard working and perseverance.

To all of you kind people, I was an unfortunate orphan before, but now how happy I am to have so many kind of people like you around. Despite wrongs I have done, you still show me so much love that I cannot express my gratitude by any words. I would like to say thank you, and wish you nice people a peaceful and happy life forever.

Through your reach's love reaches those children who are in difficulties and in need. THANK YOU ALL!

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