Help those in Need — Be a Guardian Angel



Daisy lost her husband to HIV/AIDS six years ago. While she suspected that she had the same disease that claimed her husband, she continued to care for their children. While working on her family's behalf, she contracted tuberculosis, which left her very weak.

Despite the challenges of both HIV /AIDS and tuberculosis, Daisy tries to provide a roof over her children's heads. But she is not able to earn enough to pay for rent, daily food, school fees, and other expenses like clothing and shoes for the children. This troubles Daisy. Her teen-aged daughters attend school when they can, if school fees are paid. They do not eat lunch, since the lunch fees are not paid. After school the girls—ages 12 and 16—try to find any work they can to earn some money toward their food and school fees. The girls return to their one-room house very late each night after trying to earn income. Because they don't have electricity, the girls must do any homework they have by candle light.

Determined to improve the family's circumstances, Daisy attended a business skills and poultry management training done by CAFI partner Destiny Friends International. She learned how to turn economic opportunities into profit that will provide her family with food, shelter, school fees, and other life necessities. But Daisy has no funds to invest in the economic development opportunity that is readily available.

That is where you can help.

You can be a Guardian Angel this holiday season to provide seed funds for poultry projects, fish ponds, goats, chickens, and pig farming—all of which provide HIV impacted families the chance to earn funds through legitimate business that will benefit their children with secure housing, regular food and school fees.

Please become a <u>Guardian Angel</u> and help Daisy and thousands of other families create a future for her children.

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