



Serah Wanjiku Mwangi



Age 14

From Maina Village,
Laikipia County

Kikuyu Community

Enjoys football, netball and debating



Serah at Kisima

'Serah is a hard-working and disciplined pupil who does well in school. She comes from a poor family.'

Primary Head Teacher

'I do ask you to help Serah because her family have no source of income to pay for her secondary education.'

Local Chief

Serah has three older sisters and two older brothers. Her parents are not employed and own only a small plot of land where they live and grow some vegetables for the family to eat. They also do any casual work they can get, such as digging other people's land or washing clothes, but it is only sometimes that they find such work and it earns them a very small income.

Serah's sisters did not go to secondary school. They are now married and also rely on casual labour. One was recently widowed, so she and her three children have come back to live with Serah and their parents, increasing the family's need for food and clothing.

One of Serah's brothers was sponsored at secondary school and the other is now in secondary school - their parents are trying to pay the fees but they struggle to do so and he is often sent home from school. Therefore they cannot pay for Serah to go to secondary school as well. Wider family members are also poor, so there is no one who can help Serah to continue with her education.



Serah arriving at Kisima with her parents