

Flavia's Story

Flavia graduated in 2015 with a BA in Mass Communications from Uganda Christian University. She now has her own business and is mother to two beautiful girls.

Flavia's parent both died of HIV/AIDS within a year of each other when she was 3 years old. Flavia and her brother Liberty were taken in by their grandmother and their aunt paid their school fees for as long as she could. But then she could not afford to pay both children's school fees, as well as those of her own children, so made the heartbreaking choice to only pay for Liberty's schooling: as the eldest child, and a boy, she felt it was best to invest in him. Fortunately, another charity stepped in to pay part of Flavia's fees and she was able to return to school. Flavia's situation came to our attention and we were able to pay for the rest of her time at secondary school. She worked hard and when she gained a place to study towards a BA in Mass Communication at Uganda Christian University Rafiki Thabo continued to support

"I joined Rafiki when I had lost all hope of continuing my studies... Rafiki gave me light even when I was hopeless. Thank you for letting me see my graduation."



her with a bursary. Flavia graduated in 2015.

As an educated young woman, Flavia was free to fall in love and choose her husband, as well as when to get married. She met her husband while at university and the two are now happily married with two beautiful daughters, Tabitha (4) and Hannah (2). Her story could have been very different, married off far too young for dowry or indeed to simply stay alive. Flavia runs her own business, a potato trading business, selling Kabale potatoes to businesses in Kampala. Her husband works for World Shine Ministries Uganda. Flavia's children will both be able to go to school; indeed, Tabitha has already started.

To support Flavia cost Rafiki Thabo Foundation £700 per year