



Hands at Work
AFRICA



Report on

Ilaje Community, Nigeria

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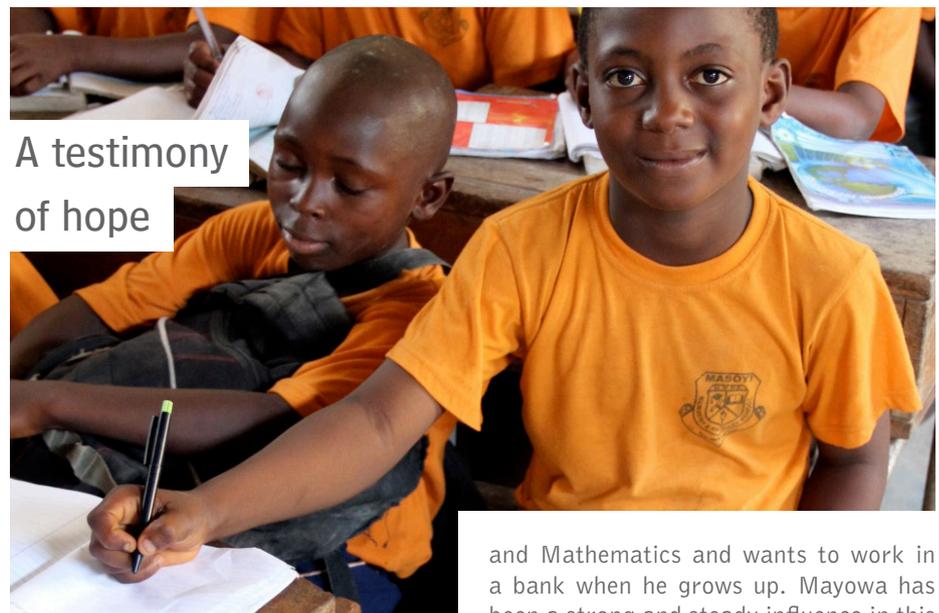
Highlights

EAGLE FOUNDATION
COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION

Children currently supported: **100**

Eagle Foundation Community School is a place of safety and provision for the most vulnerable children. Here, they receive a free education, a nutritious meal and time to interact with their Care Workers and friends.

In Ilaje, many children live in poor housing, in areas where they experience distressing situations as prostitution and abuse are common. Home visits allow the children to talk about their fears with Care Workers they can trust and befriend.



A testimony
of hope

“Victor* is a sweet, shy ten-year-old boy who lives with his mother, Jessica, and four siblings: Samson, Eric, Linda and Stella. In search of work, Jessica leaves the house early in the morning and does not come back until it is dark. When Victor was only four years old, Mayowa, the Coordinator at Eagle Foundation Community Based Organisation heard about his family's great need and began to visit them. As Mayowa built a relationship with the family, it was clear to him these were some of the most vulnerable children in Ilaje. Mayowa learned that while Eric, Linda and Stella were attending a government school, Victor and his brother Samson were not in school. Mayowa immediately enrolled them at Eagle Foundation Community School, which provides free education for vulnerable children. Now, six years later, Samson has graduated from the school in Ilaje and has moved on to grade 7 at the local government school. Victor is in grade 5 and is excelling. He is at the top of his class and his teachers say he has a bright future. He loves English

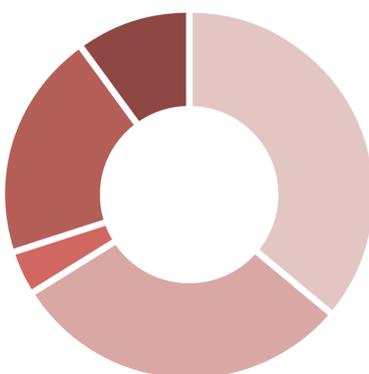
and Mathematics and wants to work in a bank when he grows up. Mayowa has been a strong and steady influence in this family's life for many years. His regular visits to their home have been a source of great encouragement.

Victor's oldest brother Eric observed the transformation in his brothers' lives over the years and wanted to give something back to the community. In 2012, Eric approached Mayowa about visiting other vulnerable children in his community. Soon, he was serving as a Care Worker. After a few months, the community school was in need of a new teacher. Eric stepped up and has now been teaching grade 4 for over a year and a half. He enjoys teaching the children and watching them learn.

Eagle Foundation Community Based Organisation regards Victor, Samson and their family's story as a great testimony of the hope God brings to the poor. Mayowa and the other Care Workers are thankful to have witnessed their transformation. Samson and Victor now have hope for their future, and Eric has been encouraged to influence the next generation.

*Child's name has been changed

2013 Spending on Objectives



- 1. Provide Food (36%)
- 2. Provide Education (30%)
- 3. Provide Basic Health (4%)
- 4. Mentor & Support (20%)
- 5. Administration (10%)