

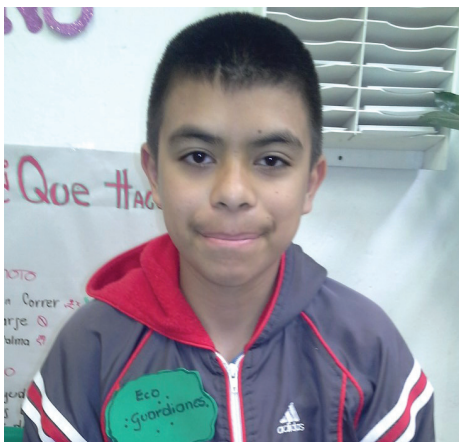


COVENANT KIDS

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CovKids Share Their Stories

Colombia



"My name is Bayron and I am twelve years old. I have three older brothers. I live with my mother because all my siblings have moved out and are living in their own homes. I like to play games on the computer, do word finds, and paint. My favorite foods are fried rice, pasta, and vegetable soup. I am in seventh grade and I don't have a lot of friends because I like to play mainly on my own. Sometimes I feel forgotten by my classmates because they don't really pay much attention to me. I attend church and I feel really good to be there."

"Two years ago, my grandma died and it was very painful for me because I spent a lot of time with her. But, I am thankful for my mom and her company as she helped me get through the painful time."

After my grandmother's death in 2014, I became a part of the Proyecto Esperanza (Project Hope). I love being here because they teach us about God and lots of other things. The teachers are fun and treat me with love. They make me feel valued. It is good to be here!"

South Sudan



Fourteen-year-old Mayian Yien Leer attends Kule 2, a Covkids Primary School in Pugnido Refugee Camp, sponsored by the Covenant Kids program. Mayian lives with his distant maternal uncle. He and his uncle arrived at the Pugnido Refugee Camp in May 2014, and are now supported by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Mayian's father Yien Leer was killed in 2003 during the old Sudan civil war between the North and South, which cost the lives of 2.5 million people. His mother Nyadeng Lul was killed in Malakal during

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the ongoing civil war that has killed thousands of people and has displaced 2 million people to neighboring countries, where they are seeking refuge. Before the death of his parents, Mayian and his family were dedicated members of the Evangelical Covenant Church in Jonglei State, South Sudan.

Mayian is considered one of the brightest students. In the last term of school he ranked second in his class and loves being a part of the choir in Kule 2. Mayian dreams of graduating with a degree in social work. He hopes that through his training as a counselor he will be able to walk with children who have lost their parents to war and to work with people who are considered outcasts.

India

"My name is Shayana Ayub Sheik and I am seven years old. I live with my parents, a sister, and two brothers at Sanjay Nagar Slum, in Mumbai. My father works as a ragpicker. He collects rags and sells it to local buyers. At the end of each day he uses the money he makes to buy us food. But, there are days when we go hungry at night because my father cannot earn enough. This makes him sad and he drinks alcohol whenever he is upset or angry. I do not like it when my father gets drunk."



"A few months ago, a teacher named Suchita came to meet my mother. She asked my mother if she would send me to her class. My mother was very excited because I would get to learn a lot of new things at the center. I saw many children my age there, and I knew many of them as they were my neighbors. My teacher is very nice. She likes me a lot and talks to me often. I love to learn, play, sing, and dance at the center. When I grow up I want to become a teacher just like Miss Suchita. I like the food that is served to us there. Last week we had doctors come to the center to perform health checkups and teach us some good hygiene habits. We were scared at first but the doctors were friendly. The center makes sure we are well taken care of."

DR Congo



Ephraim is one of thousands of children sponsored through Covenant Kids Congo (CKC). He is fourteen years old, and lives in Gemena. On a recent trip to Congo, the CKC team asked Ephraim what he wants to do when he grows up.

"When I finish school, I want to become a doctor," Ephraim said. "I want to be a doctor because I want to help people get well when they're sick... even at home if they don't have the means to come to the hospital."

Many children like Ephraim have big dreams. Karen wants to be a doctor, too. Cecile wants to be a math teacher. Willie wants to build big houses—for anyone who wants one! This is the future generation of Congo. When you sponsor a child through CKC, you're supporting community development for a brighter future in Gemena.

Covenant Kids supports programs that meet local partners educational, social, physical, and spiritual needs of children around the world.

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*Thank you for walking alongside these children
as their bright hopes come to life!*

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