

**A Brighter Tomorrow for Africa Report
For Global Giving
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A Brighter Tomorrow for Africa (BTA) continues to support the feeding program of Children of the Nations in Sierra Leone, West Africa which centers on an area of this country with great needs, where the children need to be encouraged. The involvement of BTA, and the nutritious meals which they provide for so many of our school going children, positively impacts their development in many ways.

Good food plays a great role in the physical health of a child but is also crucial in their mental advancement. Not only does improved nutrition allow for the healthy development of a child's brain but the incentive provided by the meals served daily at school encourages the children and youth to come and come regularly. Since time spent at a Mallory Jansen Memorial School also involves the development of social skills and spiritual understanding it can be said that BTA assists Children of the Nations greatly in our vision of caring for children holistically. With the support of BTA we can reach our goals and bring more girls and boy in to school.

In the past, children were coming to school hungry and tired. Most parents in our community cannot provide breakfast for their children. With the help of BTA we are able to assist some children with milk in the morning hours and then later in the day all of the students benefit from the main BTA meal. In the second term of this academic year we were blessed by some additional assistance offered by World Food Program. They have been able to give us some bulger wheat, vegetable oil and salt. With the help of this supply we have been able to expand the BTA feeding program. Now we are able to give all of our children both breakfast and lunch at school. Breakfast is served from 7.30 am with the school day beginning at 8 am. Lunch is then prepared by around 12 pm.



A Child's Story – Lombeh Sheriff

Lombeh Sheriff is 14 years old and she is in Prep 6. She lives at Senehun village which is about 2 miles from the school she attends, Mallory Jansen Memorial Primary School, Ngolala . Lombeh always walks to school through the stream that passes between Senehun and Ngolala. Her parents are farmers. Lombeh often came to school late and hungry, already tired for her morning class. With the expansion of our feeding program this academic year, Lombeh's punctuality at school has been very exciting to see. This will help in both Lombeh's educational performance as well as her physical health.

A Child's Story - Lahai Yovenah



Lahai Yovenah is a 15 year old boy staying at Wubangay village but during the week he transfers to a village called Monicawe about 1 mile from our school in Ngolala. Lahai is one of the children who has benefited from BTA meals since they began being offered in our schools. Lahai is now in Junior Secondary School 1, growing strong and furthering his education.

A Brighter Tomorrow for Africa is a real blessing for our children in Banta Mokelleh. It brings us all great joy to be able to offer such hope to these children.

Number of Children being served food daily – As of June 2011

| School | Number of children |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| MJM Nursery, Ngolala | 72 |
| MJM Primary, Ngolala | 400 |
| MJM JSS, Ngolala | 172 |
| MJM SSS, Ngolala | 72 |
| MJM Skills Training, Ngolala | 2 |
| MJM Nursery, Mokpangumba | 20 |
| MJM Primary, Mokpangumba | 43 |
| MJM Nursery, Mosenesi | - |
| MJM Primary, Mosenesi | - |
| MJM Nursery, Marjay Town | - |
| MJM Primary, Marjay Town | - |
| Total | 781 |