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HENRY MGANO

Henry was born in June 10, 2001 in Songea; He lives at Ruhila with his grandmother. Both his parents passed away shortly after he was born leaving him with his grandmother who is old and has no means of taking care of him.

Henry's grandmother became very ill and she needed help to care for him. With the help of a friend, Henry's grandmother was able to find SWACCO, the Songean Women and Children's Care Organization. This is a temporary orphanage in Songea that is supported by the Mwangaza Jitegemee Foundation. In January 2009 Henry was able to begin his new life there.

The Foundation provides Henry with shelter, food, clothes, medical and clinical services, all of his living needs. They also are responsible for all of his schooling needs including tuition, school uniform, books and supplies. Currently he is in standard four at Unangwa Primary School. Henry is doing well in school and after school he likes playing football, reading his books and assisting with kitchen work and gardening.

Henry and his best friends, Majuto and Bonus, are the "handymen" of the orphanage. They love to try and build things and are excited to attempt any repairs. He is very happy and healthy and his dream is to be a builder. SWACCO and MJF plan to encourage and support his dreams.