
A2S 2013 HOLIDAY MEAL-A-THON

OUR GOAL: \$24,000

A2S is more than halfway towards our goal of raising \$100,000! The provision of a hot meal at the A2S after-school program is one of the most basic parts of our three-pronged mission of faith, sports and education. With a full stomach, the youth we serve in Benin City can focus on their education and play. It costs just \$2,000 a month to feed 100 children daily. **That's just a \$1 per child, per day!** One dollar is a small price to pay for such a great impact.

Over 90 percent of Nigerians live on less than \$2 a day (Human Development Report, 2006), which means many of the youth in our programs do not get the daily nourishment that need. It is difficult to engage, encourage, educate, enable and empower our youth on empty stomachs, and the long-term benefits of our after-school programs are not realized. Any contribution, large or small, will be greatly appreciated as we raise the \$24,000 needed to fund this program throughout the next year.

Our Plea:

[Donate today to help us fight hunger.](#) Encourage your family and friends to get involved. Together we can limit hunger's ability to prevent our youth from reaching their fullest potential. Like Mother Teresa said, "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

Why? For Children like Miracle



Four-year-old Miracle is one of the 100 children participating in our after-school program. When she was served a hot meal at the after-school program, she ate as quickly as possible, with most of her food landing on the floor rather than in her mouth. Ehis, A2S program coordinator in Nigeria, smiled and explained that she could slow down — no one was coming to take her plate away. With a full stomach, she was able to move into the after-school program and concentrate on her education and play.

Miracle is just one example of the many children that are being served by A2S in Benin City. According to a 2012 report released by Save the Children, "Nigeria has the third highest number of malnourished children in the world, with 26 percent of children under the age of five severely malnourished." Your support can keep her from becoming a statistic.

More on A2S Meal-A-Thon:

A2S Meal-A-Thon is a month-long campaign beginning on #GivingTuesday, designed to raise \$24,000 to help sustain our meal program throughout 2014. Throughout the month of December, will use the hash tag #A2SMealAThon and #Just\$1 to combat hunger and its negative effects on child development. Join us?