

Love And Happiness In New Friendships - JUBA, SOUTH SUDAN



I am Henry Hakim, the team leader for Juba Na'bari Club in South Sudan. Ever since joining Young Life in 2019, **Jesus has taught me to go and make disciples for him.** This encourages me to step out every day and reach out to teenagers in my neighborhood. I go to schools to befriend teenagers around my neighborhood to **share about Young Life and the gospel** with them. Many **students in my neighborhood just need someone to love and care for them**, which is what a Young Life leader does.

One of my best experiences in ministry was when we took kids from my neighborhood to a one-day Young Life camp earlier this year. This day is forever printed in my heart. **I was overjoyed to see kids experience so much love and fun at the camp.** Even while we were driving back home they were so excited about the joy they had experienced that **they could not stop singing and dancing using camp songs.** This is the heart's pure praise to God!

The next day, **club was huge** and full of students who wanted to be part of the joy they saw in their friends the day before. **It was a beautiful harvest for the kingdom of God.** Since then, more students have been transformed by Christ and it has changed our community.

More than 50 kids attend weekly clubs at my home. We are hoping to get a bigger space for club, since **both students and parents are becoming interested.** My dream is to host an outdoor cinema about Jesus in one of our neighborhood football grounds, **invite students and people from my community and share with them about the love of Jesus and Young Life.** I believe this will encourage more **teenagers and young people to join Young Life and be transformed.** It is my prayer that we will be able to reach out to even more students **beyond my community.**



***"Three things will last forever:
faith, hope, and love-and the
greatest of these is love."
1 Corinthians 13:13***