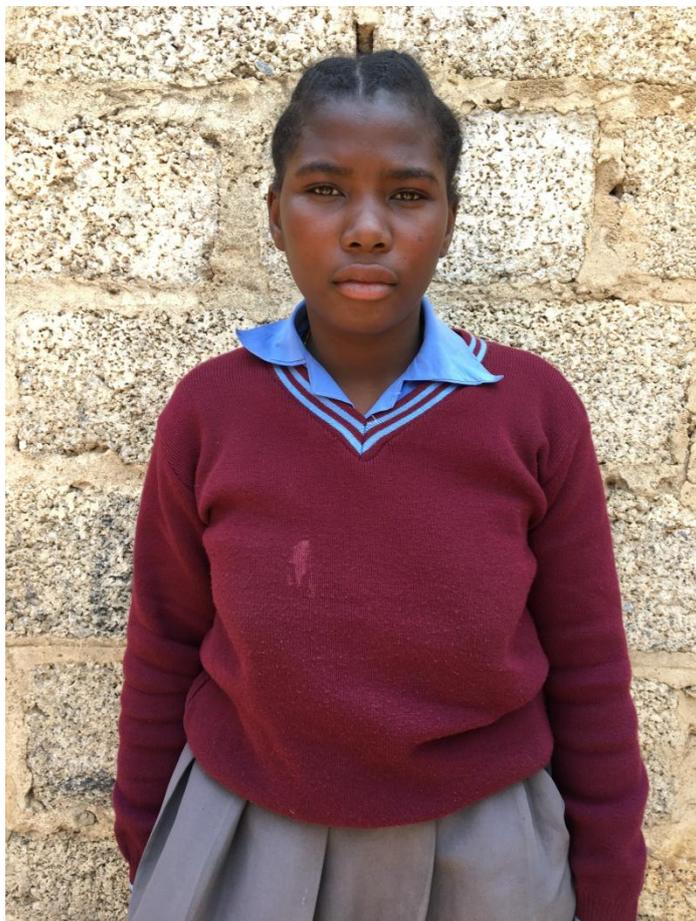


## Meet Ivy Kalifungwe



**Ivy Kalifungwe**

Profile	
<b>Name</b>	Ivy Kalifungwe
<b>Birthday</b>	22nd June 2006
<b>Birth Place</b>	Lusaka, Zambia
<b>Area of Residence</b>	Barrastone
<b>Father's Name</b>	Richard Nyungu
<b>Father's Profession</b>	NA ( Deceased)
<b>Mother's Name</b>	Lucy Kalela Kalifungwe
<b>Mother's Profession</b>	Security Guard
<b>Primary School</b>	Diana Kaimba Primary School

### Ivy's Family Background

Ivy lives in a two-room house with her mother in Chunga compound together with her three siblings. Ivy's mother has been a double orphan since the age of two, moving from house to house looking for shelter. It is due to this fact that she has never attained any form of education. Unfortunately, Ivy's father abandoned her when she was barely 3 months old, leaving her mother to be a single parent, carrying the whole burden of single parenthood. She is the sole provider of the family through her income as a security guard at Magnum Security Company. She finds this to be very challenging as Ivy's siblings are in secondary school which requires hefty tuition fees. The first born has completed high-school and is in search of funds to attend college, meanwhile the second and third born are doing their grade 11 at Chunga Secondary School. The struggles that Ivy's mother endures for the betterment of her children are a big motivating factor for Ivy's hunger for success.

## **Educational Background**

For her primary school education, Ivy attended Diana Kaimba Primary in North Matero of Lusaka. She has consistently been in the top 10 of her class since grade one. She is a class monitor, being entrusted with several classroom tasks and responsibilities.

## **Extracurricular Activities**

Ivy is a very active girl beyond her academics. She is involved in various activities such as athletics and runs in the 100-meter and 200-meter sprint races. She recently participated in the inter-house competition and emerged victorious in both her races (100m and 200m races) respectively. She has also taken interest in learning elementary basketball skills at church. Ivy is regarded as a potential leader who performs a given task with full dedication and as such, she was appointed leader of a youth praise team at church. She holds the responsibility of ensuring all the praise members attend weekly meetings and that everyone reports for rehearsals every Friday.

## **Her Thoughts**

Ivy is very passionate about her education and her family. Being raised by a single mother has shown Ivy the difficulties one can face as a single parent. The unavailability of food, clothing and essential utilities at home has acted as a motivating factor for Ivy. It is due to this reason that she wishes to graduate from college and become a doctor. Ivy believes that with this degree she can be able to change her family's economic status.

Lastly, Ivy believes it is not right for families to force girl children into early marriages. This has been a growing trend in her community. Ivy believes education is the only solution to the economic challenges of her family and community. She encourages her community members to focus on sending their children to school.