

### "Something You Can Give Away" Curriculum

"Something You Can Give Away" is ZOE's Giving Hope curriculum for youth groups, inspired by the incredible life story of a youth in Rwanda and based on 2 Corinthians 9:10-11:

*"God gives you something you can then give away, which grows into full-formed lives, robust in God, wealthy in every way, so that you can be generous in every way..."*

Jean Damascene was 14 years old when his mother died, leaving him to raise three siblings. Jean and his family went hungry most of the time because he was unable to successfully farm his land. Feeling hopeless, he ran away from home and began living on the streets.

6,000 children like Jean become orphaned every day due to the HIV/ AIDS pandemic in Africa. ZOE Ministry reaches out through the Giving Hope Empowerment Program so that many orphans may grow into the future that God desires for all children. Giving Hope equips orphans and child-led families with essential life skills such as mentoring, vocational training, income generating activities, training in animal husbandry and farming, and HIV/AIDS education so they may live free from the cycle of poverty and dependency. Program leaders partner with community churches to bring the



Jean and his sister

good news of Jesus into the lives of the children.

Giving Hope training and love empowered Jean Damascene and now he is a source of hope to his family, his community and, to date, more than 9,000 youth across five states here in the U.S.

You are invited to join Jean in Giving Hope to children in need.

### Seed Grant Challenge

ZOE Seed Grants of \$100 are given to youth groups submitting fund raising proposals that demonstrate how they will multiply this small investment to benefit ZOE's Giving Hope Project.

While children in Africa learn and grow in the Giving Hope program, an annual investment of about \$300 per family for 2-3 years yields life-giving change for generations to come. With your help, more than 10,000 children will be touched by the Giving Hope Empowerment Methodology this year.

### To Participate:

- Download the "Something You Can Give Away" Curriculum from [www.zoeministry.org](http://www.zoeministry.org). Review the seed grant process and brainstorming sheet.
- Complete the curriculum with your youth group.
- Email Seed Grant proposals to [info@zoeministry.org](mailto:info@zoeministry.org) or mail to: ZOE Ministry, Attn: Seed Grants, PO Box 10955, Raleigh, NC 27605.
- ZOE Ministry will be in touch to go over details and will send the \$100 Seed Grant for your project.



*The youth of Soapstone UMC turned their \$100 Seed Grant into \$2,000 by making travel pillow keepsakes out of favorite T-shirts. Grant money purchased pillow forms.*