



**Sharlett Akinyi**

Sharlett is 8 years old. She is in grade 3 of primary school. She is a jovial and playful girl who enjoys entertaining her peers. She is one of the dancing crew of the Circle of Hope group and loves dancing at any of the functions hosted by the organization, as well as her school. She is also very active in sports and competes very effectively in relay races. Sharlett lives with her single mother and an older brother. The mother was identified by Mama na Dada as one of the women living way below the poverty line, surviving on tilling land for other people for a small fee. Sharlett is a promising student and has always been in the top three of her class. Her dream is to be an entertainer like Michael Jackson. Who would have thought that in a small village in Kenya, an 8 year old girl would know about Michael Jackson.