



Magazine Wharf Kids

PROVIDING EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR CHILDREN
AND YOUNG PEOPLE AFFECTED BY EBOLA

JENNEH APPIAH

Age 4

(Ebola survivor
and orphan)



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Little Jenneh is the original 'Magazine Wharf Kid'. First spotted in an ebola treatment centre in July 2015 (see photograph top left), she was incredibly fortunate is surviving, but not before the tragic death of her mother and two year old sister. Her father died in 2013. She was cared for in the ebola treatment centre by her uncle Paissa. On leaving the ebola treatment centre she was placed into care for a few days before Magazine Wharf Kids was able to reunite her with her remaining family. Today she lives with her 10 year old sister Betsie and 21 year old half-sister Fatima in a cosy one room house in Magazine Wharf. Jenneh was the inspiration for Magazine Wharf Kids and remains the poster girl of the charity. Magazine Wharf Kids is committed to the long term education of Jenneh and her sister Betsie, and in 2015 provided a rent grant to prevent them being made homeless.

Within days of release from the ebola treatment centre Jenneh was diagnosed with malaria. She has since made a full recovery. Jenneh has some difficulties with her speech, and for some time we thought that she might suffer from deafness. But the charity has arranged for her to have specialist hearing tests, and it appears that she simply suffers from slow speech development. On the advice of a psychologist, Jenneh has subsequently started early at school, which we hope will help accelerate her speech development.

The photograph on the left shows Jenneh in the uniform of her new school - Bethel Temple Primary School in Freetown, Sierra Leone.