



Canadian Food for Children

La Nourriture du Canada pour les Enfants

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Felix's Story

Felix, a boda boda rider in a rural village of Uganda, made his living transporting passengers on his motorcycle. His days were long, but he took pride in providing a vital service, especially in the village where transportation options were limited. It was a routine evening, one like any other, but it quickly turned into a life-altering event.

That evening, as Felix finished his last ride of the day, he noticed his motorcycle was running low on fuel. In the villages, gas stations are a rare sight, and fuel is typically sold in small quantities by individuals from their homes. Felix hurried to a nearby home where fuel was usually available. Unfortunately, the elderly people who sold gas in the household were away, leaving their children in charge.

Under the dim light of a candle, the children began measuring the fuel for Felix. They used an old beer bottle as a makeshift measure, its glass too cloudy to see clearly in the dark. Felix, standing nearby, trusted their routine work, unaware of the danger lurking in the shadows. As they poured the fuel from a jerrycan into the bottle, a sudden spill occurred. Gasoline splashed across the table and, before anyone could react, the fuel made contact with the open flame of the candle.

In an instant, the fuel ignited, and the fire quickly spread, engulfing the table and threatening the children around it. Without a moment's hesitation, Felix rushed to push the children to safety, his thoughts only on saving their lives. But in his attempt to protect them, some of the burning fuel splashed onto him.

The flames, relentless and unforgiving, spread across Felix's body, engulfing him in fire. His cries echoed through the night as the village scrambled to help. By the time the fire was extinguished, Felix was badly burned, his skin scorched by the flames. He had saved the children, but he now faced the battle of his life.

Felix was rushed to the hospital, where doctors worked tirelessly to stabilize his condition. His body bore the marks of his heroic actions, and his future was uncertain. The burns covered much of his skin, and his journey to recovery would be long and painful.

Yet, through the agony, Felix's spirit remained unbroken. He had acted selflessly in the face of danger, and his community rallied around him, offering support and prayers for his recovery.



Felix in Burn Ward

Though his path to healing was just beginning, Felix's courage in that fiery moment had already left a lasting impact on those who knew him.



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When Felex was burned by gasoline, he was brought to St. Mary's hospital Lacor in Uganda, Africa. I visited him every day and gave him gifts from Canada.

His spirit and joy increased greatly.

Thank you for helping.



Felix in Burn Ward with Dr. Simone

I am sending you photos of your gifts. Your kindness is appreciated.

Thank you and GOD BLESS YOU,
Andrew A. Simone M.D.