

**Irene** is an orphan. She lost her father when she was 2 years old during the war in Northern Uganda.

She grew up with her mother. When her mother re-married, life became hard for Irene. Her step dad never liked her and never paid her school fees. Her mother was asked by her husband to send Irene to her biological father, saying he couldn't take care of someone else's child. He further said that if she didn't send Irene back, he would leave her and get back the bride price he paid to marry her. Since the mother's family could not refund the bride price, she asked a friend to help take care of young Irene.

Irene and her mother's friend then came to Gulu town and started selling food by the roadside at night. During those nights, she was always approached by men who used to disturb her while selling food. The only food she used to eat was the remains from the sales.

When Irene heard about OMA Foundation recruiting young people for skills' training, she applied. And after a careful screening she was accepted and joyfully started her tailoring classes. Irene is now a devoted beneficiary at OMA Foundation. Each day, she nurtures her faith with prayer. In her free time, she enjoys listening to others and is willing to learn as much as she can.

Please pray for Irene to receive Godly strength and daily wisdom, as she continues with the lessons.

Will you become a sponsor today with OMA Foundation? Your financial support, will allow us to teach Irene tailoring skills, livelihood support, follow-up and mentorship and become the person God called her to be.