

# DOCTOR OF HUMANITY

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This is a story about a girl named Xena. She was born in Ethiopia in a small village called Bora. Xena and her brother Abel lived with their grandmother. Her grandmother wasn't that rich, but she loved living with her grandmother nonetheless.

Xena was a hopeful and optimistic person. She always tried to look on the bright side in spite of what was going on. Living in her situation, she wanted to be a doctor more than anything else. To her, being a doctor meant helping people who were ill; healing them however she could. In Ethiopia, a lot of people got sick and they didn't get proper treatment like her mom, who died of tuberculosis. Her mother's death encouraged Xena to be a doctor even more. She dreamt of wearing the white coat, examining and helping her patient, and hear them say they were better the next day! When she earned enough money, she wished to build free clinics all over Ethiopia.

But she could not be who she wanted to be when she couldn't get the education and the money necessary to be a doctor. Xena couldn't afford to go to school. A lot of kids don't go to school in Ethiopia. She was one of those kids who worked at the farm or watched the cattle so that kids were helping their family. Because she couldn't be a doctor, she felt depressed, powerless and even hopeless. Life was closing its doors on her, that is until she got adopted by a family from America. Bye bye, dark emotions and hardships! "Now there's nothing that can stop me from becoming who I hoped and dreamt of being."

Now, she goes to school without begging her family if it would be possible to go to school. Every five years old and older kid goes to school in America. Xena gets more education than she could ever have imagined when she was in Ethiopia. They teach kids at a higher level than they do in Ethiopia. Not only does she get to go to school, she could choose which one she desires to attend. There are so many schools to choose from. Sometime it's overwhelming to think about it. She has her needs like school and wants like a phone or a type of clothing she wanted. She is filled with gratitude for her parents because they are her new parents, and for God for having this awesome plan for her.

Finally, Xena has a chance of being a doctor! She will build her free clinics. Now that she is here, she is planning on building the biggest house ever for homeless people.

She will wear that white coat of hers, and she will most definitely hear her patients say they are feeling better the next day. She will be the best doctor she could ever be!

