

## Beyond Integrated Need based support

Ewnetu Teklu was born in Addis Ababa on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1997 at a place called Dejach wube village. He has two sisters and two brothers. He is the youngest child of the family. Currently, he lives with his father and sister. His mother passed away five years ago. The family is earning income from petty trade and leads a hand to mouth life for many years. As a result, Future Hopes Integrated Development organization (FHIDO) enrolled Ewnetu at project # 1237 in November 16, 2000 at the age of 3. Starting from his enrollment, he was able to get scholastic materials, school uniform, shoes, school fee, tutorial class, and medical support. Moreover, he has received letter writing skill, child right, child protection, career counseling, life skill trainings and money gift from his sponsor for the purpose of birthday and holiday celebration.



Though Ewnetu has completed 10<sup>th</sup> grade unfortunately he could not get satisfactory result to join college. However, he has begun to attend skill training while working as an assistant barber in his spare time with the support of FHIDO. After successfully completed the training program in hair dressing, he has got an opportunity to work in private barber shop for nine months. Ewnetu got a loan of 5000 birr from his brother to open a new barber shop in marketable place but have no sufficient capital to fulfill necessary materials for starting barber work. Hence, seeing his commitment, skills in hair dressing and available work place, FHIDO provided him start up materials like, swivel chair, big mirror and haircutting machine (Tondos) with a cost of 9,200.00 Birr.

Ewnetu said ***“Since the start of my business, I am able to attract and get many customers due to the better service I am providing, good customer handling practice, selection of marketable place and adequate knowledge and skill that I have acquired with the support of FHIDO.”***

Currently, he is repaying his loan, employed one assistant barber and paying 2,200 birr per month for house rent. He has planned to approach micro enterprises for financial loan to expand his business.

He said **“Hopefully in the coming new year I will move to the adjacent new building; with necessary facility to satisfy and attract more customers. In the long run I have a dream of having women beauty salon and spa beside to barber shop.”**