Meet Rahma رحمان
(means compassionate and gracious)

Rahma is 16 years old and charismatic and front and center most the time. He wants to be President of Sudan so that “everyone can live in their village peacefully.” And he could do it too. Rahma is extremely smart, listens well, and wants to help others succeed at whatever it is they are doing.

His humor travels across cultures. He has a high-pitched laugh, especially when he tells a joke. His favorite football (soccer) team is Real Madrid, and he challenges anyone who says that Barcelona is superior. Rahma brings up this rivalry at every opportunity!

He is natural leader. Part of him wants to be a journalist, and he quickly learns how to use the cameras we left with him. There is no doubt that if Rahma can get a good education and remain safe, he will be an essential leader in helping rebuild a stronger Darfur.

Meet Adam آدم

Adam and his wife Koltum recently moved from Camp Koungoungou to Camp Djabal with their seven children. They originally fled to Chad after the destruction of their village in Darfur. Adam was a teacher for 25 years in Darfur. Besides teaching, he was a farmer, like many from Darfur. He grew papaya, tomatoes, and other vegetables and grains; he grew enough to live comfortably. The crop he had just harvested was stolen by the Janjaweed when they raided his village and burned the fields so he could not return.

Adam was building a library for his community members so that they could learn English and listen to current events on the radio, but it washed away during the rainy season. He now serves as the librarian for the Right to Education (R2E) Mobile Human Rights Library in Camp Djabal, where he is also a teacher. He believes that education and world knowledge will build a stronger Darfur. Adam is an educated man who believes that if the world knows about the atrocities (in Sudan), and if they hear the voices and see the faces of innocent victims, then the world will act.

“My message to international community is that really we have no hope except the international community. And my message to American people is to not forget us. You must stay with us, because without your help we see no hope; no hope at all.”