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**FOR ALL FUTURE
GENERATIONS**

Rosalie's Story

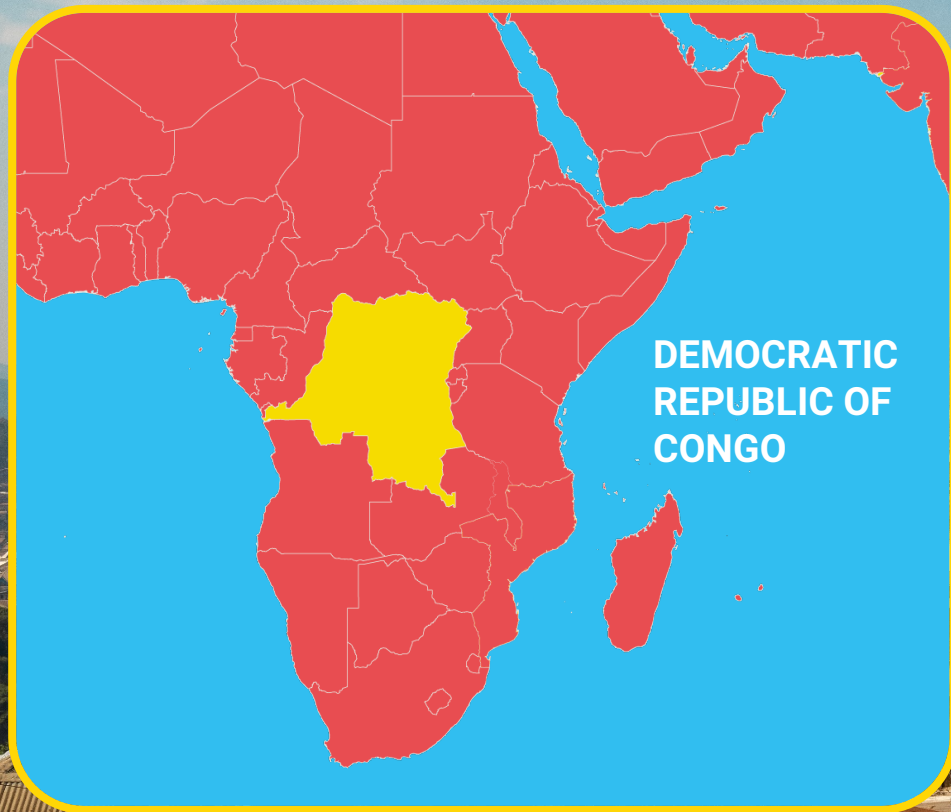
Democratic Republic of Congo

Primary (F-2)
Photo Storybook





This is Rosalie's story.



Rosalie lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo.



Rosalie had a tough childhood. Her family didn't have much money to pay for food, clothing and school fees.



When Rosalie was just 15 years old, she was made to join the army. She worked in the army for many years.



But she wanted a new life.



After leaving the army, Rosalie found it hard to feel part of her community and earn enough money to provide food for her children.



But she was determined to turn her life around and set a new path for herself and her family.



With the help of Caritas, Rosalie learned new business skills, and how to work with others. She then made a plan to start her own small business.



Rosalie joined a community group that helped her with a loan to start her business.



Now, Rosalie has her own shop!




She sells shoes.



She also sells natural remedies.



She hopes to sell ice cream too!

A woman with her hair in a red and black braided bun is walking in a village. She is carrying a young child on her back; the child is wearing a floral dress and a blue backpack. The woman is holding the hand of another young child who is wearing a black hoodie with 'ATHL 76' printed on it. In the background, other children and a corrugated metal building are visible under a clear sky.

**“I can eat, dress,
maintain my health
and help others. My
children study and
manage to eat twice
a day.”**

Rosalie





Rosalie is now a leader and role model for women and others in her community.

“I have learnt to work hand-in-hand with other members of the community. Really, there is more joy in sharing with others.”

Rosalie





Rosalie is working hard to help her family and her community, creating lasting change for all future generations.

QUESTIONS

1. What made life hard when Rosalie was a child?
2. What does Rosalie sell at her shop?
3. How does the shop help Rosalie and her family?
4. How did Caritas Australia help?

