

August Progress Report 2022.

Average number of children fed (in hundreds):

890

Average number of feeding days per week:

6 days a week. Feeding is going on very well.

Number of high school students:

77

Number of boarding school students:

8

Status of High School attendees:

Students are still in school. They are making up for the time missed during covid break. 7 of our Form four students are sitting for the MSCE Examinations. This is the final exams that determines whether they qualify for college or not. Pray for them as they take their test. We will have their results probably by the end of November.

Successful students

Blessings Tsonthi is back at the Lilongwe campus.

Schools have opened and Precious is going back to school as soon as funds are in.

We are very excited that Leonard Robiam has been accepted at the University of Livingstonia as a BS Education student. He is to start his 4 year journey this month of August. We are grateful to God that his sponsorship has been found. Thank you all for making his dream a success.

Status of soap business:

The beneficiaries are doing their business after giving them seed money. The idea is that when they have made some profits the initial seed money will be given to a new team of beneficiaries who will at this point be trained by our first beneficiaries. This is to ensure that there is responsibility and giving back to the project by imparting the knowledge they have gained to others. We also continue to distribute tablets of soap to the children and volunteers.

Status of chicken/egg business:

The chicken house is complete and the first 60 local chickens for meat have been brought in. More local chickens will be stocked. Egg laying chickens have been purchased.

Status of Kanyenyeva Wala:

The team continues to make kit components with the materials we have in stock. We are very thankful for all the DFG materials that the Westwood team brought to us, this will definitely go a long way. We also received some materials sent through the first mission team from Penny and many others who donated.

Status of the farm:

We have planted 1500 Blue Gum trees on our forest reserve strip at the farm. Research was done on irrigation system and the team has concluded that the best way to irrigate the bananas as of now is by using a Wind Mill. We have seed money for the first wind mill which will help water at least 2 -3 hectares.

Other:

Sports equipment and gym

We are very grateful for the balls, and jump ropes that the team brought. Our children were and are very happy for this wonderful gift. They now have a chance to play, have fun and just be kids. Many thanks to each and every one who donated and helped mobilize the resources.



The well

We have found several options on the well. On how we can run by solar energy and provide running water for both the Skills Centre. The survey of the land was done and we will now proceed with the installation.

Women volunteers and the committee

The women and the committee still remain strong and continue to serve the children with passion.

Clothes, and shoes

The July team brought us some clothes!!!! We will do a distribution soon. To God be all the glory.

Maize mill

We are excited to report that construction of the maize mill building has started. We have also found a supplier for the maize mill who will also plant the mill when the building is complete.

August Team

We received a team of six, Heather, Carey, Mikayla, Brianna, Sam and Patrick. The board, the committee, the women, and the children were very excited to have a second team visit and spend some time with us.

This team conducted VBS with all our children. The children had a wonderful time interacting with the team. The team used puppets, songs, banners and games to teach the word of God and this worked really well. They definitely made a huge impact.

The team also took the volunteers for a retreat at the lake. They conducted Bible studies with the women. Had a great time getting to know the women better, gave them gifts and had a good meal with them. The women were grateful for this gesture. And enjoyed the fact that they got to relax at the lake and get to be celebrated and appreciated for the wonderful work they do.

The team accomplished many things which we are sure they will be able to share with all of you.

They taught and interacted with all our children. Played with the children.

They helped with the feeding program.

They did home visits and helped with household chores and make meals.

The team brought some balls, frees bays and play chutes.

The team also left a total of MK1,870,000 which was used to buy more cooking pots, plates, knives, buckets, and basins. Some of it bought some groceries for the volunteers.