



Hearts for Zambia

caring for orphans and
vulnerable children and families

Winter 2009



Cause for rejoicing as more funds go to Zambia!
In October, Hearts for Zambia transferred another \$5,000 to the Sisters of the Child Jesus thanks to all our generous contributors. Since Hearts for Zambia began just over a year ago, well over \$20,000 has been transferred to the Sisters!

Your help is making a difference!

Sister Baptista reports that funds have been used in the following ways:

- Food! (fresh vegetables, beans, maize, dried fish, soy beans, rice)
- Items for babies! (milk, diapers, blankets)
- For schoolchildren (school fees, shoes, playground equipment)
- Extra help! (two cooks and a security guard)
- Important equipment purchased! (freezer and *frozen* fish)
- Cows! (for beef)
- Staying on the road! (vehicle maintenance)
- Improved security! (building a wall/fence around the property)

The Rotary Water Project

The Rotary Clubs' project to complete a water system for the Sisters' property outside Kasama is getting closer to fruition.

Pledges so far total \$16,500:

- Tacoma Narrows Rotary \$5,000
- Tacoma #8 Rotary \$7,000
- Hawk's Prairie Rotary \$2,500
- North Tacoma Rotary \$2,000

Rotary International District 2050 will match a portion of the clubs' contributions in order to reach a total of at least \$20,000.

According to information from the Rotary Club of Kasama, the contributions from the USA clubs should be enough to complete the well, storage tank, and distribution system.

A completed water system will open the way for the Sisters to develop an irrigated farm and eventual homes for the children, along with a center for vocational training.

This is an exciting project that will take several years and a great deal of additional investment to complete, but will have long-term community impact.



The children send their joyful greetings to you who have been so generous in providing for their welfare.