



Hearts for Zambia

Your opportunity to make a difference for vulnerable children and families

October 2015

GREETINGS FROM TETEKELA:

We really appreciate the efforts you are putting in to support Tetekela.

The building of the dormitory is progressing very well. The building is at ring beam level. The roofing will be the next step. We hope to finish the dormitory as soon as the funds are available.



Sister Mirriam

The plan for the dormitory is to accommodate boys and girls in secondary schools. We have done home visitations for assessment and our findings are that the homes where these children come from are not conducive for studying, hence the need to accommodate them here at the Centre.



NUTRITION

For nutrition the young people receive rice, beans, meal sump, beef, pork, dried fish, and vegetables. From time to time when available we provide tea, bread, and eggs, especially on special occasions.

EDUCATION

We are planning to enroll about 30 children, fourteen in grade 1, sixteen in grades 2, 3, and 4, and two in special education.

Academically the children in pre and primary level are doing very well. The big boys and girls in secondary school are not doing as well but are on average. We manage to visit their various schools, talk to the head teachers, class teachers, and

guidance teachers so that special attention is given to them at school. We also started visiting their homes to talk with their parents and guardians. We wish to come up with a uniform for the children who are not in formal schools, so that they look uniform.



Children having lunch nshima with chicken and mango.

FARM, POULTRY AND PIGGERY

We cultivated a 1 hectare maize field. We expected to harvest 80 bags but because of natural causes we managed to harvest only 50kg x 51bags of maize. The Piggery and poultry are doing fine, both for selling and feeding the children.



Children carrying chickens for slaughter.

We have 20 pigs and we had 200 chickens ready for sale and for food. We have ordered another bunch of 200 day-old chicks. From the sale we are able to pay for security guards and upkeep of the Centre.

Thank you for the good work you are doing for the children and the Sisters of the Child Jesus.

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR WORK!

Sister Mirriam

GOOD NEWS FROM SISTER SABINA

"I am glad to announce that the work that began small has borne big fruit. Nobody is sleeping in the living room anymore. We have managed to put up a nice bedroom, self-contained with a toilet and shower. People in transition have a decent place to stay. We are so grateful for the contributions made toward this project. I know we still need more room but meantime we celebrate what we have. You see with your own eyes how beautiful it looks. It is amazing how God works wonders using simple people like us and like yourselves. It all began small and I'm very confident that this will grow to greater heights with God's Grace of course."



Guest House

UPDATE FROM SISTER BAPTISTA:

Sister Baptista's mission appeal trip to the United States has yielded many new supporters for the work of the Sisters of the Child Jesus. During June and July she visited three parishes in the Archdiocese of New York and three in the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida.

While most donations to Hearts for Zambia support the care and education of the children at Tetekela, occasionally funds are allocated to address other needs such as those described in the news from Sister Baptista and Sister Sabina.

Sister Baptista writes: "I have been busy since I came back. I visited my home village to see my brother and my sister who had not been well. I found my sister much better. I paid a visit to the children at Tetekela and saw the progress on the building of the dormitory. Then I returned to my new assignment at Maheba Refugee Village.



Sister Baptista

We have been receiving refugees from many countries. We recently received new refugees from Rwanda. The big problem is communication. The language is different from ours. A major challenge for both children and women is not having potable water. Soon we will work on a well using funds received from Hearts for Zambia.

The Bishop has given a bit of money to help the women start a club for sewing and keeping chickens. I will send pictures when I can."

(Editor's note: Be sure to Google Maheba to learn about the refugee camp. If you go to Google Earth you can see the location from above.)

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