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Machaya

'In Zambia thousands of children are falling through the cracks of the education system and are without qualifications or skills. Their prospects are extremely poor.'

2018: The 900 household community of Dudzai village, 10 miles north of Luska, Zambia, had an overcrowded school, serving 320 vulnerable children and orphans, with no desks or toilets. On receiving an eviction notice from their overseas landlord, they must have despaired. **But they didn't give up.** They secured a new plot nearby.



2019: Machaya Community School! A 3 classroom school, with a new borehole, latrines with a separate entrance for girls. Also 19 young unemployed men and women have been trained in construction skills. We part-funded the sanitation and handwashing costs, **(Project 250, £6,000).**

Machaya translates to “fighting” and this is what the local community did for the right to education.

“It's very great to have a new school. We are very happy, the community is happy, the teachers are happy, we are all excited. The school has brought a bigger enrolment...it now has 7 teachers – all are government teachers sent to assist the local community” Machaya Head teacher Mr Ben Kapoma.

And the local community? *“The project has inspired and motivated them ... to continue the development of the school...already work has started on a toilet block for the teachers.”*

Many more children need someone to “fight” for their rights.

**900 million school children, globally, do not have basic sanitation at school
1 in 3 primary schools and 1 in 4 secondary schools**

Jenny Gibbs

THANK YOU:

Words cannot fully express our thanks for the support of so many, enabling us to fund such a large number of projects. This is what your support means:

“On behalf of Rushararazi Primary School, I wish to thank Wilmslow Wells for their amazing love towards us. Our school will never be the same again!” Head Teacher Leason

The school lies just above the African Rift Valley. It is in one of the poorest and most neglected regions of Uganda, due to its remote location.

(Project 263 Western Uganda, £5,200)



- An amazing £17,800 was raised by Gardens Day. The hard work of the gardeners throughout the year produces beautiful displays that draw visitors back year after year. We thank them for sharing their enthusiasm and skills.
- Many volunteers and community members support Gardens Day, providing and serving food, printing our material at no cost (thank you James Townsley), distributing the publicity and writing it. Many thanks to Grazyna Moore who for the last few years has written the articles that whet our appetites for the day. She is now stepping down, and Donald Ferguson is taking over.
- Gifts from East Cheshire Ladies Association (£104) and Prestbury Gardening Club (£105)
- Thank you to everyone who has supported our events; given occasional or regular gifts of money; and told your friends about us – all makes this possible.

TWELVE PROJECTS COMPLETED including:



Project 257 Burkina Faso, “Betty’s Well” £5,000

– a new well in a new part of Yil-Yaale village, 130 km NW of the capital (Ouagadougou). So no queuing for water for up to 3 hours at the well 1.5km away or walking further to open wells where the water is contaminated.

In memory of Betty –a friend, a volunteer, a supporter, a provider of food and a champion of Wilmslow Wells for Africa

NEW PROJECTS SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER:

262 Malawi, Chiduba et al, 6 borehole repairs for 1120 households, with Aid Africa £1,151

263 Uganda, Rakungiri (community and school at Rushararazi) water harvesting using a 30k litre tank and latrines, with Mission Direct £5,200

264 Zambia, Chililabombwe northern Copper Belt, Maclaren Christian Primary School and community, where 1/3rd of the pupils come from the adjoining very poor community and are not charged fees, a borehole and tank for 1000 people with John Miles £3,540

265 Uganda, in Midpro, Mecdo, and Busia districts, 20 protected springs, with Afrinspire £3,600

266 Uganda, in Busia district 2 shallow boreholes for 1,000 people, with Afrinspire £4,000

267 a) Uganda, Mecdo Nursery in Manafwa, a new nursery where children are currently taught under trees, latrines for 85 children £915 **b) Zambia, Samfya**, latrines at a nursery in this swamp area, for 1000 children, £1,349, both with Afrinspire

268 Uganda in Kitayunwa and Bugaya Parishes, each community will be trained in constructing 9 water jars, with Ugandan Development Services £2,072

269 Kenya, Gatimu Special School, for a block of 4 latrines £3,600

270 Malawi, Bilisoni Village (460 households) and Gogo Nazombe Health Centre, southern Malawi – 2 borehole pump repairs, with Aid Africa £361

271 Malawi, Part 1: - completion of a water tower to boost the water pressure and act as a reservoir by holding night flow water for day time use, (2,000 households)

Part 2: -upgrading the Mtikhe pipeline to give an adequate and uninterrupted water supply (856 households)

Part 3: - construction of a new pipeline to Gogo Nazombe Health Centre, also benefitting 3 villages (5,800 people in total). The only health centre in the area and the only one free of charge. With 150 patients daily and 2,500 on ART Clinic days, it is a busy clinic with many demands for water. The pump within a reasonable walking distance is erratic and very hard work (**Project 270**) and will now act as backup to this new tapped water supply, particularly during the dry season. With Aid Africa £5,207

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE EVENTS

Thursday October 10th Bridge Drive 1.30- 4.30p.m. at Morley Green Club. An enjoyable time with friends and a delicious afternoon tea! Details on our website.

Thursday October 31st Souperday 11.00a.m. – 2.00p.m. at St John's Church Rooms.

Monday November 4th AGM at 7.30p.m. at Wilmslow Methodist Church, Water Lane.

Find out how the monies you have donated are spent

Saturday March 7th Souperday 11 a.m.-2.00p.m. at Wilmslow Methodist Church, Water Lane.



2019 CHRISTMAS CARD

This is the design for this year's card, generously donated by Rosemary Stubbs.

They will be on sale at our Souperday and in the Wilmslow Library Charity Card Christmas Shop
from October 26th until December 7th.

Price: £3.50 for a pack of 10.

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