

Arise Orphan Project

Empowering orphans, vulnerable children and their guardians.



ARISE



Our Grade 10, 11 and 12 pupils on the way to Nsobe game park for their discipleship day

THE LONG AWAITED NSOBE TRIP

We have had a brilliant term 3 with activities happening nearly every day at the Arise building. More of our secondary pupils have been coming to use the study space on a Monday and Friday and those that have come regularly have seen an improvement in their grades.

In the past we had taken our Grade 10's for a discipleship day at Nsobe, a nearby game park. Due to covid restrictions in the past years we had not been able to go so this year we took our Grade 10, 11 and 12 pupils. They LOVED it! We had a scavenger hunt, Bible study, games, dancing, food and saw a number of animals including zebra and many types of antelope. The young people were very grateful for the experience and discussions.

BASKET MAKING

One of the ways we empower our guardians is to help them learn a skill that they can use to make money so that they are able to buy home essentials themselves. The mat making continues to be a success with guardians coming weekly to collect material or bring mats that are ready for sale.

We discovered this year that one of our guardians, Janet, knew how to make mats from plastic ties used for transporting large bales of goods. We asked her to teach other how to do this so that more guardians could have this skill and something to sell as well as something to do when the heavy rains are pouring for many hours. She was delighted to be able to share her knowledge and help others. Weaving is now part of the Tuesday Arise meeting.



Rosemary, Janet and Agnes making baskets from plastic ties

SELECTION TIME



Hoping to be given a shirt and play in the match

Praise the Lord! This term two local teams have begun training and we have been able to play some matches again. The boys have loved the opportunity to compete and show their football skills. We have experienced wins, losses and draws through many matches with the same teams. It is wonderful to hear the boys say they know they didn't play well or had a bad attitude when they lost and to see the pride on their faces when they won. Now that we have matches again, the numbers coming to weekly practice are increasing again. They all know that it is only the ones who turn up for practice that will play in the matches. Thank you to the people who have donated football shirts and boots for these matches.



ARISE KIDS

The Kids have been loving Kids club! Every week they ask 'Is club on today?' We have completed an A-Z book, going through Bible stories connected with every letter of the alphabet and they were delighted to find that they could take the books home at the end of term to complete any pages they



Excited to take their workbooks home at the end of term

missed and show their book to their families and friends.

Our hope is that these books will help the children remember many stories from the Bible and encourage them

to talk with others about who God is and what Jesus has done for us.

Each Bible story or passage was also dramatized by the children as it was shared and a highlight for the children was being chosen as one of the actors. They race to the carpet mats and sit as tall and still as they can hoping to be picked that week.



Titus is a budding artist and produces many beautiful pictures

Through songs and activities we continue to teach memory verses each week as well. The children really enjoy colouring and decorating them to take home for display.

Everyone who

has learned the memory verse gets a sweet at club which is a great incentive for the children to learn God's word.

Our older group enjoys the problem solving activities or challenges each week, an opportunity to have fun as children before going home to do chores and homework.



Serving one another by washing each other's dusty feet

Leading up to Christmas we were learning about who King Jesus is – the one we celebrate entering the world this season. We focused on Him being the Perfect King, Victorious King and Servant King.

The children have listened so intently and loved coming to learn. It has been wonderful to see 100% attendance double from 8 to 16 pupils this term.

ARISE YOUTH

The commitment from our senior pupils has continued to improve this term. We have seen at least 1 secondary pupil coming to study every Monday and Friday throughout the term. The pupils that have come have really grown in confidence and their friends have seen how they have improved academically. Now that the pupils are seeing the benefit of extra study first hand, I am sure that we will see even more young people coming for personal study each week in 2023.



Competition time again! Focusing on sucking through the straw so they don't drop their bean.

On Saturdays we have been having our study and discipleship with our grade 8-12 pupils. Often this group is split into junior and senior secondary but we have had a few joint sessions this term. One was a film day at the beginning of the term and one was a careers day at the end of term where we had speakers from 7 different professions talking to the pupils and answering their questions. Both days were a big success with the secondary pupils wanting Arise to do more to help them grow spiritually and improve in their academic work. Hopefully next year we will be able to construct on ICT area with a few computers to help our young people become computer literate, think of new career possibilities and enjoy learning as they acquire computer skills.



Our Grade 12 leavers wearing their red and blue t-shirts



FARMING AND DISCIPLESHIP



Applying the mulch of dry leaves to protect the soil and become nutrients for the plants

Last term was really positive for all the guardians who came to Friday Farming. They continued to plant a variety of vegetables in a much larger portion than last year and were able to take home something every week. They worked hard to do extra watering and applying the mulch so the soil did not dry out during the dry season. We had so many cabbages that had grown well, the guardians decided that we should sell some and buy more seed and fertilizer to plant more vegetables. It has been wonderful to see both the young and the older guardians working alongside each other and it is very challenging when you see them working hard planting and weeding in the hot sun after walking an hour to get to our field and then going on to their own field.

TESTIMONY TIME

You may be aware that every year we run a seed and fertilizer appeal where we raise money to help our most vulnerable families with buying seed and fertilizer for the planting. As is happening all around the world, prices of everything in Zambia have been on the increase and many families have been finding the cost of seed and fertilizer too expensive to buy this year. We explained as always that we are unable to help every family but that we are able to help a few. They decided to approach the staff and ask if it was possible for them to share the bags of seed and fertilizer that we were giving them. We explained that if they wanted to plant less and share with another family so that they both had some we were happy for that. They were overjoyed that Arise would be helping more families. So this year we have been able to double the number of families that we are helping, due to the guardians sacrificial love for each other and willingness to collaborate.



Some of our guardians from Kaniki Extension

Miriam and Jenny, Sylvia and Chanda

Prayer Points

1. Praise the Lord we have been able to support many families with seed and fertilizer this year, please pray we continue to have good rainfall and the crops grown well.
2. Please pray for our guardians that they continue to put God first and realise the value of education more and more.
3. Pray for our children, especially the new ones joining Arise this year, that they will come to know Jesus as their saviour and see the progress they are making at school.
4. Please pray for the leadership team as they seek to appoint a coordinator for daily operations at Arise.

School opens for term 1 on Monday 9th January 2023 and closes on Thursday 6th April 2023.

Thank you for reading our update on the work of Arise. If you have any questions or would like to further support us in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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