

Arise Orphan Project

Empowering orphans, vulnerable children and their guardians.



ARISE



Arise block walls completed.

GOD IS FAITHFUL

Term 2 has been very different to how we imagined it at the beginning of the year. We have not been able to operate Arise as we normally do, due to regulations regarding gatherings and the use of school buildings at this time. Praise the Lord that He has shown us ways we can continue to support our families and continue the work of Arise.

In all the activity that has taken place we can say that we have been aware of the faithfulness of God. As He has led us in the building project, guided us on visits and inspired us with ways to meet each other, He has also been faithful to provide all that has been needed. We certainly began building the Arise block in faith as we did not have all the money needed for it at the beginning of the year. As it is being built God is continuing to provide the funds needed not only for the completion of the building but also the furniture for inside. People have also helped raise money for resurfacing the field which has been badly damaged by the building work making it unsafe for outside games and activities. We would like to say a special thank you to Frances Pons, Paul Barton and Colin Voice for helping to fundraise for these projects.

During the next term we will see the doors fitted, electrics connected and the floors completed with tiles and terrazzo. It will



Arise block roof in place in the dry season

be an exciting couple of months seeing the Arise block looking like a finished building, ready for paint and furniture. By the end of 2021 we expect the Arise block to be ready for action.

God has also reminded us of His faithfulness in the way He has answered prayer in the lives of many of our families. We have seen many people recovering from illness where they felt hopeless and also families have had enough food to sustain them at home or God has provided us with enough food to help them. One of the main challenges in the dry season is water. A lot of families are not able to grow vegetables as they do not have a water source nearby. At Arise we have a water tank from a bore hole which never runs dry. There has not been a moment where we can say, 'Look what we have achieved with our skills, time and energy.' Everything we have been part of and witnessing in Arise is because of the faithfulness of God and we give Him all the glory.

A huge thank you all of you who have been encouraging us, supporting us and upholding us in your prayers over these past few months. We are very grateful and hope that you feel part of the work that is taking place here in Zambia. If you would like to keep up to date with news and pictures throughout the term, you can find and like our Facebook page.



Arise block plastered, ready for painting



Arise block ceilings in place



SATURDAY STUDY

Our older pupils have really enjoyed being able to come to Saturday Study where there is a safe, clean, quiet place to study. It also helps to have the text books and many friends to discuss questions with. Aside from some pupil grades going up we have begun to notice improved attendance at school. It is wonderful to hear the children eager to learn and improve academically. Sadly they still do not receive much support from their teachers but they are not giving up and are willing to persevere.



Excited to see more than half of our Grade 8-9 pupils coming to study

It is a precious time together as they know they are loved and see that education is valuable, whatever their level of academic ability. After something to eat and drink we have a time to share testimonies before we look at a passage from the Bible. Some weeks their testimony has been how much this study time has helped them to improve at school or how God has answered the prayers we prayed for them to understand a specific subject or be more kind to their friends. We hope to see all these young people growing in their faith, seeking God for direction each day and sharing about Jesus with others as they become more confident at school. We thank God for the opportunity we have to be part of these young lives.



Some of our dedicated Grade 10-12's Ellen, Felistus, Natasha, Queen, Grace, Chibuye

GREAT GUARDIANS

Arise has been able to continue making visits to our families in the community. We have been meeting outside people's houses, listening to them share about the challenges they are facing and sharing God's word with them. Sometimes our guardians tell us that they have had no work so food and basic essentials like soap have been a challenge for them and they ask for our help feeling there is nothing they can do for their family. We were overjoyed this term to hear from some guardians about the ways in which they were trying to overcome their challenges. One lady, Delfista, began by telling us of her house door which was completely eaten by termites, no longer attached to the doorframe. She then went on to share how she had paid into a scheme to receive subsidised seed and fertilizer last year but they never delivered. Her response to these situations was to begin working in any way she could and saving to provide food and safety for her family. We told her to bring to us what she had saved in a few months and we would top up the amount she needed.

On a visit in Kaniki Extension, a guardian called Alice began to tell us that food was a problem at home but followed that by saying she was so grateful the water pump in the community had been fixed

so she was now able to easily get water. In the past a few families in the community had a well with water and they charged others to come and draw water from their wells. We suggested that she could now make a little vegetable patch as she had space by her house. Alice then told us she had already started this because she could now get water for the vegetables every day. She took us behind the house and showed us the chibwabwa, rape, onions and Chinese lettuce she was growing. Due to the numerous village chickens running free and eating vegetables, she had found some netting to make a protective fence. Praise the Lord for the wonderful examples these ladies are setting for others.



Delfista was so proud that she had been able to save some money for her field



Alice showing us her protected vegetable patch



FARMING AND DISCIPLESHIP



Guardians come to do planting, weeding, watering and harvesting every Friday morning

It has been wonderful to see the high number of guardians continue to come to Friday Farming and Discipleship. We have been able to double the area of land cultivated for vegetables and ensure that every Friday there has been something ready for harvesting. The guardians don't go home empty handed but they also tell us that they feel strengthened by the testimonies shared and the word from the Bible that is read to them. Learning about how to manage a small area of vegetables has inspired some guardians to plant their own at home which we are delighted about. This not only provides food for their family but also some money from the vegetables they are able to sell. We hope to see even more guardians attending in future.

TESTIMONY TIME

One of the prayer points in our last newsletter was that we would be able to raise the funds for a new vehicle as the old one was needing many repairs. We had been looking for a car to buy that would be sturdy and spacious enough for our work but noticed that the price was more than we expected. A special thank you to Gemma Mills for helping to fundraise for the new car. As people prayed so the money needed came in and the car was driven up from Lusaka and delivered to us with a full tank of fuel! We serve an amazing God who knows the end from the beginning of every event and need in our lives. We do not need to worry where provision will come from or when, we do not need to worry about how to fix the problems we face, we simply need to trust God. We will be keeping our eyes on Him and continue to give Him all the praise for what is happening in Arise.



Staff workers: Agnes and Lister ready to go on visits in the new Arise vehicle

Prayer Points

1. Please pray for the Arise block to be finished to a high standard and soon ready for us to paint and furnish so it is ready for 2022.
2. Pray for the guardians as they prepare their fields for planting maize for next year. Pray for the staff to have wisdom as they decide which families need support.
3. Thank God for all our pupils who have been studying hard this year. Pray for Grade 7,9 and 11 as they sit exams in November and December.
4. Pray for wisdom as we receive new applications for support in 2022.

School will remain open and begin term 3 on 27th September 2021 according to the government directive.

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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