

Mwandi UCZ OVC Project

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PROJECT UPDATE – July. 2022



Dear Friends,

What a great verse from **Hebrews 13:1**. My wife, Sylvia and I have recently returned from 6 amazing weeks travelling in South Australia where we were blessed to connect with our brothers and sisters in Christ as members of the Mwandi OVC Support Team. We enjoyed wonderful hospitality from John Foster, Leonie Dixon-Thompson, Helen & Terry Baillie and Sandra and Bevan Pugsley and it was great to meet up with others in person and also to be inspired by the committee members dedication and love for the Mwandi OVC Project at the Support Team AGM

zoom meeting on May 10. Please pray for our Support team and especially for John Probert, and Helen & Terry Baillie and the work undertaken during their visit to Mwandi, the first volunteers for many years due to Covid. Allow me to introduce members of the Support Team :- John Foster (Chairperson), John Probert (Vice-Chairperson), Kathy Bisset (Secretary), Helen Baillie (Treasurer and Compliance Officer), Sandra Pugsley (Education Sponsorship Co-ordinator), Don Wright (Newsletter Co-ordinator), Robyn Hamilton (Prayer Ministry), Leonie Dixon-Thompson (Assist Secretary), Terry Baillie, Jenny Corston, Erica Harrison, Rosalie Baillie and welcome to new members Ian & Carys Penny. Leonie Dixon-Thompson has stepped down as secretary and we give thanks to the Lord for her long service as secretary and for her and her husband Rob's dedication and love, and faithful support for the Mwandi OVC Project which has been exemplary. The Support team wish to thank everyone; volunteers, church workers, education sponsors, community organisations, private donors and many more for your continuing love and support financially and prayerfully. **God is good – all the time!**

'Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters.' Hebrews 13:1

*Blessings and Peace
(Don Wright – Newsletter
Coordinator)*



Kathy, Leonie, Don, Rosalie, John
At Unity Hill Uniting Church



Helen & Terry



Don, Sandra, Bevan
At Balhanah UC



John, Leonie, Don

*Helen & Terry
& John's
Mwandi Visit*



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STUDENTS NEEDING SPONSORSHIP

A child's future is measured by their ability to read and write.

It is crucial to their cognitive

development and progression into gainful

employment. Without these skills more often than not these children are unable to reach their full God-given potential and more likely to remain in poverty. At this time we have 12 x Primary students from grade 2 to 9 @ \$105/year and 2 x Grade 10 High School students @ \$360/year that have started school and need sponsoring. If you are interested in sponsoring any of the children pictured above, Sandra would love to hear from you. (see details at bottom of page)



L to R: Batunda Mwakoi M-12, Grade 3; Gift Kamwi F-10, Grade 4; Monde Matongo F-10, Grade 3; Mwananyambe Sundano M-16, Grade 10; Mwiya Mwangala M-14, Grade 10; Olivia Choolwe F-9, Grade 2

INFORMATION FOR SPONSORS

Letter writing

Please be aware that postage to Zambia has been restored. Don't forget the impact you are making when you pour your heart and soul into a letter. Sometimes you may receive a disappointing response. It's natural to feel discouraged or wonder if your support is even making a difference. While the letters you receive back may not always be what you hope for never forget the impact your letters and support are having on both your sponsored child and their family and indeed the wider community. If you would like to write to your sponsored child please put your letter into an envelope and even add some stickers or postcard or photos. Keep it flat. Please do not use any of your details – just your name. Label the envelope with your child's name and Identity Number. Then put that envelope into another one no larger than a DL (business size) envelope keeping the envelope looking as boring as possible and **do not** include your return address and post to:

Mwandi OVC UCZ Project, PO Box 70, Mwandi Via Livingstone, ZAMBIA, AFRICA. (Any questions just ask Sandra)

GCE (General Certificate in Education)

When a student reaches year 9 they must sit an external exam. Their exam registration then ceases. Generally those students that fail must leave school. However the Zambian Government has created the GCE which is a class that can be attended (out of normal school hours) and the students have an opportunity to study specifically that subject that they failed and are then able to re sit that subject exam. This year we have instigated, in our Education Program, facilities for our sponsors, if they wish, to financially support their student in this endeavour. I am really thrilled to report that all our sponsors of students who applied for GCE have engaged in this program. Thank you so much for giving your student a second chance.

Pamphlets

If any of our wonderful supporters would like any of our new colourful pamphlets to share with family, church family & friends please inquire. (details below)

Bequeaths

Some time back we had some enquiries from a supporter interested in including the Mwandi Project in their will.

Maybe this is something you may be interested in.--Your generosity could help children reach their full God-given potential by funding transformational education and training long after you have left this world. If interested please ask.

The Mwandi UCZ OVC staff and children and the Mwandi OVC Support Team wish to thank every sponsor and donor for their continued love and financial support in the following areas.



- Child Education Sponsorship; Nutrition Program; Biet Cure Support:
- University and Special School Sponsorship and Funding
- Agriculture Sustainability; Special Projects
- Counselling Services; Blanket Appeal

God Bless you all with His enduring love!

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Mwandi OVC Education Sponsorship Program

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INTERNATIONAL Bridget Banda, Mwandi UCZ OVC Project Secretary, Email: brybriana@gmail.com

BANK DETAILS: Mwandi OVC Project Support Team Inc

Please make ALL cheques payable to
Mwandi OVC Project Support Team Inc
BSB: 035-067 Account No: 21 6770
Swift Code : WPACAU2S Bank: Westpac (Port Lincoln Branch)
46-48 Liverpool Street Port Lincoln SA 5606

BANK DETAILS: Mwandi UCZ OVC Project

Account Name: Mwandi UCZ OVC Project
Account no.: 5776201500171
Branch No: 011044 / Swift Code: ZNCOZMLU
Chartered Bank: Zanaco (Zambia National Commerce Bank)
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