



Serenje Orphans Children's Home (SOCH)

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2nd Quarter Report

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INTRODUCTION

This is still SOCH, the warm home of orphans in Serenje, Zambia.



It is quite overwhelming to look back into the second quarter of 2019 and reflect on the great works and experience that had been encountered at SOCH. It was the period when SOCH received visitors and a number of donations altogether. What an exciting moment it was.

This brief report outlines some activities that occurred.

ZOA VISITORS AND THEIR SUPPORT/ACTIVITIES

SOCH had had yet another great experience when a group of ten of ZOA from Rome visited the orphanage. There are a lot of activities they did very successfully. Such included Renovation and painting of the canteen, Maintenances of pavement ways, education support to orphans, plantation of bananas and vegetables in garden, fencing fishpond, do shoes shopping for orphans and visiting the schools to

establish the understanding of orphans education standards. The experience as evidenced in pictures bellow were done in only nine days.

Right on onset, education started!!!! ZOA and SOCH got mixed up so quickly that socialisation was on its peak of interaction.



Introductions and first interactions in education / Socialisation!!!

Nevertheless, the group also worked very hard to paint the canteen which is in very beautiful look now.



The fish pond is fenced out to protect orphans from reaching it. Please see bellow.



**SOLAR ELECTRICITY , SOLAR GYSERS INSTALLATION AND FURROW REPAIRS
FURROW REPAIRS**

This time orphans can have hot shower without billing. The hot water solar geysers have been installed. There are also a few solar bulbs that supplement the Grid and significantly reduce the bill. The water

furrow has now been reconstructed especially on the critical sensitive area which was always breaking. SOCH has now a lot of water supplied into the fish pond and garden where vegetables and orchard will grow green. The assistance from ZOA partners has really gone a long way in getting two projects done



ACCOMODATION IMPROVEMENT

There are currently new warm blankets through a donation from a generous Australian donor. This has helped orphans sleep under warm cover as the old linen was becoming weaker.



EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP

It is of great pleasure to clarify here that Chama Moses Mumbi Lesa has been accepted to study Computer Science and Technology at Henan University in China. This is undoubtedly an achievement for this young man and SOCH. We thank the generous sponsor from St. George's Community for sponsoring him fully to go and report for studies at Univesirty. This comes after other sponsors through ZOA and SOA support other orphans in other colleges, Universities and local carpentry trainings. They all deserve SOCH thanks.



Chama for China Uni, Wendy/Blessings @ Eden Uni while Sylvia and Gift are at College of Ed.

CHALLENGES/OPORTUNITIES

It is important to mention here that since 2004, when the orphanage opened, from first intake orphans have been growing older and are currently getting into tertiary studies as well as secondary schools which demand a lot of resources in terms of education sponsorship. We thank ZOA , SOA and all generous donors for support in this part. . So far there is no better local secondary school that would assist the Local Serenje primary school graduates continue into higher years of study except the only competitive boys only secondary school that recruits pupils from all over the country .

FUTURE PLANS

- A goal for the future which would greatly assist the local Serenje Community as well as providing better secondary educational opportunities for our SOCH orphans would be a construction of a private secondary school established through ZOA and SOA
- SOCH may also look into drilling a bore hole and install tanks for water at SOCH to reduce or cut company supply that is expensive.
- SOCH is still expecting to construct a play ground/sports complex for community to access at a minimal fees to contribute to fundraising means.

CONCLUSION

SOCH appreciates the support received and the time taken for all to read this report. Thumbs up for your great works of supporting orphans.

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