



ZAMBIA

Agriculture and Bore-hole Livelihoods Report.



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Acknowledgement

The author of this report visited the remote areas of Zambia that comprise of Mapoko, Mwembeshi, Nalubanda, Namukombo and Situmbeko, on behalf of LifeNets org. This report was prepared to show the works of LifeNets in improving the livelihood of poor people in remote areas of Zambia.

The author wishes to extend thanks to LifeNets management and funders, and appreciate what they are doing to help people in Zambia. Equally the provision of transport necessitated the mobility of the author to visit the above mentioned areas.

Report Summary

This report is a phenomenon and evidence of what LifeNets is doing across the world and Zambia in particular, changing lives of people and their well being. The report seeks to identify improvements to address the challenges and failings. For example, due to poor rains, some brethren will have little to no food. Late planting or type of maize could have affected the poor results.

However the results, LifeNets has been able to reach out to aid sustainability to the remotest part of Zambia, giving clean water to the poor villagers who could not afford to sink a borehole and giving food to the needy. This is only done by people who have love and charity in their hearts.

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Mr and Mrs. Katapya with their daughter in the field of maize which looks good but not as expected due to poor pattern of rains.

The LifeNets cows which were given to Mr. Jonathan Katapya.

They look healthy and were not affected by diseases which hit their area, because LifeNets bought animal drugs for dipping, deworming and vaccination.





Mr. Maxwell Kasakabantu's LifeNets cows are looking healthy. LifeNets bought medicine for his animals. The cows are giving him about 2.5 litres of milk per day.



Mr. Maxwell in his field of maize, LifeNets provided seed and fertilizers. The maize field looks better, hopefully they will harvest and be able to feed themselves.



Mr. and Mrs. Fine Makomba in the field of maize, their maize looks good and it is expected they will harvest to sustain their livelihood. LifeNets provided seed and fertilizers.



A newly sank borehole in Nalubanda area by LifeNets. The borehole has a lot of water, it is used by the whole community (serving more than 400 people).

The villagers are happy and are really grateful for the borehole.

Mr. David Shimwambwa in the field which LifeNets had provided seed and fertilizers, to improve his life.

Hopefully he will have a good yield to sustain his livelihood (him and his family).



Roderick Kasakabantu, a young man who is a beneficiary of LifeNets seed and fertilizers. At least he will have something to eat, though not enough due to rains.

Coaster Mabanti at his village in Mapoko, with LifeNets cow which is pregnant and will give birth very soon.



Honey was given to Mr. Kalinda, and now has a male calf, she is giving Mr. kalinda some milk.



Mr. Kalinda in his field of maize where he had applied fertilizer which was given by LifeNets. Mwembeshi is one of the areas which has been hit so much with poor rains, Mr. Kalinda is likely to have little harvest this year. His maize has started to dry up when it has barely made corn.



Mr. and Mrs Tembo in their field where they had planted seed and applied fertilizer donated by LifeNets. He and the family are likely to have food, but not in abundance.

The cow is Norman she is pregnant, and looking healthy. She has benefited from LifeNets drugs.



This is a well for the people at Situmbeko. It was stopped due to the rains, the work will commence in the dry season. It is likely to help many villagers of Situmbeko.

Mr. Kabachi, 91 years old with Buttercup donated by LifeNets. She is pregnant hoping to give birth soon.
Mr. Kabachi also benefited from LifeNets seed and fertilizers, he will have something to feed him and his grandchildren.



82 years old Mr. and Mrs. Namukombo in the field of maize donated by LifeNets. They will have something to sustain their well being this year.

Connie gave birth to a female calf, a privilege is given to the donors that raised the funds, to name the calf.



Daisy is looking so healthy, but has not been picked from Shea farm. The owner still wants to prepare a place for her. Daisy is also pregnant.

Conclusion

LifeNets has been providing various services to people in the remote areas of Zambia. Many people have benefited from these services. For example, LifeNets provides drugs for people who have no access to health centres as they are very far. Among other things, LifeNets has donated animals and drugs to help with maintenance and giving people loans for fertilizers and seed to help them in this years farming season.

LifeNets is reaching out to many people by providing safe and clean water. just last year, LifeNets sunk a borehole in Nalubanda that benefited over 400 people and so yet to sink another one in Namukombo village. The sinking will be done early in May when it is dry. The roads in some remote areas during the rain season are impassable and that's the more reason why some areas were not visited.

A visit to some of the areas is evidence to what LifeNets is doing. From the photos, one would tell that many people's lives have been improved tremendously.

During harvest time, these areas will be visited again to determine their yields.

All these people are thanking LifeNets for the good works its doing in their lives.