



Supporters Newsletter, September 2006

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome Fr. Julian Kasyia and Francis Phiri (Village Secretary) to Sutton during the week of the 19th September. Funds to pay for their flights were contributed by a private donor. Fr. Julian will speak to the congregation at all Masses in St Fintan's on the weekend of 23rd and 24th September. He is pleased to have the opportunity to thank all those who have given so generously to this worthwhile charity. Both he and Francis will be in the Parish Hall after all Masses where refreshments will be available. We hope a number of you will be able to come along. Julian and Francis hope to visit the schools on the Peninsula during their 2 week stay.

Christmas Cards 🎵 🎵 🎵

We are producing a series of Christmas cards; all the proceeds over and above costs will go to CCS. These cards are available now from

Paul Mc Donald ☺ -

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Project 2006

We are pleased to report that construction work on the 4,000 sq ft Community Centre in Chimteka is almost complete. Thanks to your generous financial contributions and assistance from Irish Aid, the orphaned children of Chimteka will be able to enjoy indoor games, sports, education, drama and meetings in relative comfort. We are grateful to Fr. Julian, Peter Phiri and Richard Chatambalala for their sterling work recruiting, monitoring, evaluating and reporting on all stages of the construction work

We hope to make the new Community Centre in Chimteka accessible at night through the provision of a solar-powered electricity system. The building is wired for electricity and we are in the process of raising funds to procure and install a solar system. The introduction of electricity to Chimteka will be a major milestone in the development of the area and will mean that the Village Community Centre can be used by adults for many more hours each day.

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Accounting and Funding

CCS Ltd submitted its first set of accounts to the Company Registration Office in May 2006. We are grateful to Dermot Grant and his staff at Grant Reddy for auditing and making the returns on our behalf, free of charge.

We very much appreciated the contribution you made to our annual collection in May.

The event was very successful, thanks to all who helped with the appeal and collections after the Masses. The Committee appreciated the organisation of hospitality in the Parish Hall and the many prizes given for the raffle, as well as the time given by individuals who helped with the display, the quiz on Africa and tasks relating to the first issue of the Newsletter.

Main Achievements

Since March 2004

Community Infrastructure:

- Construction of a 4,000 sq. ft community building
- Completion of a pre school building

Education and Training

- Supply of teaching materials
- Provision of education programme in life skills
- Set up and running learning networks for farmers and carers

Farm & Food

- Provision of fertiliser

Social

- Provision of toys

Volunteer(s) Challenge

We are keen to hear from an individual or couple who may be interested in taking up the challenge of volunteering for a one or two year period in Chimteka. The Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) has agreed to help us recruit, induct, support and manage a volunteer or couple for a period of one to two years starting immediately. If you are interested or know of anyone or a couple interested in taking up the volunteer challenge, and helping us fast forward development work, please contact Pat Collier for further information. The ideal couple would include someone with management experience related to business development and someone with professional childcare and /or nursing experience or the management of these caring services. Experience in a developing country would be an advantage.

Further information

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