

October 2022

Dear Friends,

We have had a very busy few months and our hearts are full of gratitude for all the generosity and learning that we see around us. We are pleased that booster jabs for Covid 19 are now available in Malingunde and the upgraded dam is almost complete.

In September we held our Happy Faces graduation and celebrated 5 children who are starting primary school when schools start their terms in October. We are developing a team of volunteers who are helping to lead and we love hearing their testimonies as they receive affirmation and see the gifts already within them, develop.

Edith *'Before I started helping at Happy Faces I did not know all of the alphabet and I was afraid to stand in front of people. But now I'm able to stand and know more of my letters. I have seen Gods hand helping me.'*

Flis *'I have two children and I live close to my parents. What I did everyday was get up, wash my face then tell my children to go to my parents' house. My parents were taking all the responsibility of breakfast, lunch and dinner. I would go off, go for gambling and come back late in the evening. I was not even having a time to talk or know my children. One time my son attended Happy Faces and he heard a story of how Jesus loves children. It inspired me in my heart so I went with him the next day. I experienced a true picture of motherhood in Happy Faces. The team have inspired me to stop gambling. I'm now able to value my children by putting them first. I'm really taking my responsibility and caring for the gift which God has trusted with me.'*

In August our dear friends Kevin and Erica generously travelled from South Africa to help us review our CHE work. It was a truly transformative time where they enabled us to see all the progress that has been made. We have seen that the CHE values which are so powerful, have seeped across into all our work and our day to day lives. We are so privileged to see the freedom and health that CHE brings.

Demaris *'When I heard about CHE home visits I thought that people in my village would not accept this opportunity. People here do what they will do and I do not see any hunger for growth or learning. To be honest I was not sure I even needed this. After helping with 2 home visits my mind was totally changed as I now see the needs of the community. I am learning a lot and my eyes have become wide to see how we can grow as a family and community.'*

We have recently received a very generous donation to be able to replace our trusty Hilux, she reached an impressive 17 years of age on the dirt roads around Malingunde. Thank you to the Grace Charitable Trust for your kind gift.

Lastly, below is an update on our Education Fund. The fund combines our focus on education and being generous to children who would not normally be able to access further education. Please read their stories and consider if you would like to invest in their future.

On behalf of the whole Dalitso Trust team thank you for sharing the journey with us.



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Graduation Day



The new dam



Happy Faces graduation



The team with our new truck

Tom & Alison Husbands, The Dalitso Trust

EDUCATION FUND UPDATE

Summer 2022

Welcome to our Education Fund which has been running for 18 months. We are so pleased to have been able to pay fees for secondary school, college and university for 7 of our team's children. These fees are way beyond the reach of rural wages and it is a huge blessing to honour these families with this

support as they serve in and around Malingunde. Trevor and Joy will start further education in 2023 so we need to raise an additional £2500 a year. Please read about our families below and consider if you would like to make a regular or one off gift into the fund..



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Trevor, Rhodes & Doreen

Rhodes has been working with The Dalitso Trust since 2005. Trevor finishes secondary school in August 2022, hoping to start university in September 2023. His current school fees are £35 a month.

Doreen started a BSC degree in computer engineering at Blantyre Polytechnic in January 2021 with fees of £100 a month.



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Lawrence, Ernest, Solomon, Jennifer & Medson

Medson has worked alongside The Dalitso Trust from the very early days in 2002. All 3 boys are very bright and have been selected into good government secondary schools.

Their combined school fees are £80 a month.



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Chippo, Christian & Janet

Chippo has faithfully led the team since 2008 and he is married to Janet. Christian started studying to become an electrician in April 2021 in Lilongwe. His College fees are £100 a month.

Their daughter Joy will be taking her secondary school exams in August 2022 and hopes to study nursing in September 2023.

Our aim is to raise enough money for each child to be supported through the fund. To avoid cultural complications donations will remain anonymous to the families coming from the fund rather than from individuals. If you would like to support our Dalitso team you can make a one off or regular donation in the following ways;

By Cheque payable to The Dalitso Trust Send to: The Dalitso Trust, 174 Barford Street, Birmingham. B5 7EP. Please indicate that this is for the Education fund and if you would like to add gift aid.

Via Just Giving <https://www.justgiving.com/dalitsotrust/donate>
In the comments section please add in that this is for the Education Fund.

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Please email admin@dalitsotrust.org to confirm your donation and if you'd like to add gift aid.

On behalf of all 3 families thank you so much for your invaluable gifts and investment into their futures.

Tom and Ali

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