

ARISE & KAPUMPE



THE ARISE ORPHAN PROJECT

Child Sponsorship Scheme

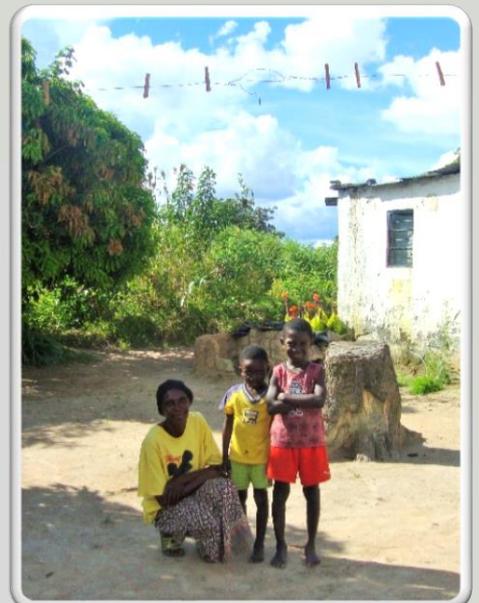
Over the past few months there has been an exciting new development within the Arise project; the launch of our child sponsorship scheme. This enables people in the UK and beyond to make a difference to an individual child's life by giving them the opportunity to attend school, as well as allowing their family to receive support through Arise. We were overwhelmed by the response from people who wanted to sign up, which has meant that every Arise child that attends Kapumpe Christian Primary School now has a sponsor.

We are looking to further develop our sponsorship scheme so that we can give some of our older students the opportunity to apply to college. Many of our young people supported by Arise complete Grade 12 but are then limited in options for further education and vocational courses due to the funding that they require. If you would like more information about becoming a sponsor for a college student, please let us know.

Welcome to Agnes

Agnes is one of the guardians supported by the Arise project and has also recently become a member of our Arise team. Agnes is a widow and has five biological children of her own; two who are studying at college in Ndola and three living with her in Kaniki. Agnes has also taken in two nephews, one niece and a great nephew and she looks after them as if they are her own children.

Agnes is a great example to other guardians in our project. She is very proactive and takes responsibility seriously. Agnes has a strong faith and a very positive attitude and we are very happy to have her as a part of our team.





Healthcare

Many of the children supported by Arise are looked after by relatives who will take them to the clinic if they are unwell. This proves particularly difficult for some of the children whose guardians are either very elderly or struggling with their own health needs.

Umbilical hernias are a common health problem for many children in Zambia. They can be treated with an operation which is usually carried out when the child is around two years old. Earlier this year, two brothers aged 8 and 12 were accepted into the Arise project and were both found to have umbilical hernias. Due to their vulnerable family situation they had never been taken to the clinic to have their hernias treated.



The Arise team took on the role of advocates for the boys and on numerous occasions Rosie took them to both the clinic and the children's hospital.

Unfortunately this was not a straightforward process. They encountered some difficult situations which involved hours of waiting around, missed hospital appointments and parents or doctors lying, stealing, and even requesting a bribe in return for treatment. Despite these challenges, both boys were eventually able to have the operation and are now healing well. The younger brother also requires a further operation

for a cleft palate, so this may be our next healthcare-related challenge. The positive side to this experience was that it meant several trips into the local town for the boys. Neither of them had ever been there before! They thoroughly enjoyed looking out of the car window and singing songs on the bumpy car journey, and then having a cake or ice cream as a treat.

KAPUMPE CHRISTIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Classes

The first term of 2016 has been an exciting one at Kapumpe. In the past 12 months, the school has doubled in size so there is now a Pre-School and Grade 3 class in addition to Grades 1 and 2.

Our first Pre-School class has settled in well and the pupils have become used to the school routines. They have learned lots of songs and rhymes which have introduced them to some English vocabulary. Many of them have learned to write their names and they all thoroughly enjoy playing with the toys in the classroom.

The children in Grade 1 have also completed their first ever term at school. Some children took a little while to understand the expectations of how to behave!



They have begun to learn phonics and can now ask and answer some simple questions in English.

Our Grade 2 class was very excited to return to school after the long holiday and were eager to bring in their homework. Some new children have joined the class this year so the class is now almost at capacity.

Grade 3 embraced learning about 'Celebrations'; a topic which involved the children planning a party to invite their parents and guardians to at the end of term. Their English reading skills have improved so much that they have all begun to take a reading book to read at home each week.



Staff

As our number of classes has increased, so has the number of staff. We welcomed Josephine Mukuma, an experienced Zambian teacher, to teach our Pre-school Class. Rosie Loescher has continued teaching Grade 1 and does an excellent job along with Lorraine Chongo, our new teaching assistant. Fatima Kangoma, who shared a class with Ellie Cross last year is now solely responsible for Grade 2. Naomi Voice from the UK now teaches Grade 3 together with Bright Shamaubo who is a recently qualified Zambian teacher.



We are delighted at how well our new team of staff are able to work together. One addition to our programme from last year is that we now have a weekly staff meeting after school every Monday which always starts with eating a traditional meal of nshima together.

Tim and Gemma Mills, who were the founders of Kapumpe Christian Primary School, moved back to the UK in April after spending six years in Zambia. We are very grateful for all the work they did to set up the school and are glad that God has brought more people to continue the work and carry out the vision. Ellie has since been overseeing the day-to-day running of Kapumpe and is now in the role of Headteacher.

Trips

The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed various opportunities to learn outside the classroom, which is often easier here with year-round sunshine! Grade 1 made the 30-minute coach journey into Ndola, which was the first time that many of the children had ever been into the local town. They were very excited to have a tour of the football stadium and visit an ice cream shop; both first-time experiences for the majority of the class.

Grade 2 had a tour around Baluba Valley Farm which is just across the road from the school. The children were shown how bananas are grown and harvested, and also saw the chickens, cows and some very young calves. As part of their topic on 'God's Wonderful World', Grade 3 went on several walks around the local area. They looked at the rubbish that had been discarded, the different types of material and how important it is to care for the environment.

Prayer Points

1. For Agnes, our newest member of the Arise team, to learn lots quickly and to have wisdom as how best to help people.
2. For the brothers who we took to the clinic and their family, who are very vulnerable and need to know God. Their Dad is ill in hospital and their mother is an alcoholic struggling to look after two other younger brothers.
3. For a good transition for the leadership of Kapumpe as Tim & Gemma have now left Zambia and Ellie is Headteacher.

Thank you for reading our update on the work at Kapumpe and Arise. If you have any questions or would like to further support us in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch. You can:

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