



BUMALA VISION CBO

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NEWSLETTER – 1ST QUARTER 2017

We thank almighty God who has carried us through the first quarter of the year 2017 safely. This far the Lord has brought us.

Bumala Vision CBO is founded on Christian principles, beliefs and practices; JESUS is the centre of ALL our operations. We are on a mission with a vision to share the Light (Jesus is the light of the world). We believe that “*where there is no vision, people perish. Prov.29:18.*”

This newsletter covers the activities of the CBO within the period between January- March, 2017 and also gives a foresight on planned activities for the next quarter and beyond.

We wish to thank our partners for the support so far and wish to update you on the following;

ECD CENTRE

The school opened in January with all the children who were admitted last year(2016). Initially they were all admitted in baby class but as the year progressed, some were identified who qualified for the next class. So, the first batch of children

were divided into 3 classes; some remained in baby class while others were promoted to middle class and pre-unit.

In this quarter, more children were admitted making a total as follows;

FULLY SPONSORED – 48

PAYING PUPILS - 4

COST SHARING - 2

TOTAL - 54

We were therefore forced to create 3 classrooms out of the two rooms by partitioning one of them to accommodate middle class and pre-unit.



SPONSORSHIP

There were 21 fully sponsored children in 2016. This year we had an additional 30 children in the sponsorship program making a total of 51 fully sponsored children.

We provide full school uniform (including games kit, shoes and gumboots), two meals a day, all the

learning materials and pay teachers for the children who are on sponsorship.

There are 3 sponsored children in primary level who do not learn at our center but come for meals and we pay for all their school requirements.

NEW STOVES

God blessed us with new improved stoves as we were closing the first quarter. This will help to reduce the amount of firewood used in a month/term.



POULTRY FARM

We thank God for the new hatchery machine (288 eggs) and a generator that we acquired and installed. The second phase of individual household poultry project is on good course and we thank God.



FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

There was a prolonged drought in the last quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2017 which caused a food shortage in the country making most families to go hungry. Through the help of our partners we were able to distribute food ratio to 110 families.



TRAINING ON BEAD WORK

We trained 28 young mothers on making bags, purses, necklaces, bangles etc using beads. The training is over and the women have started making items which we will help them to market and the money generated used to boost their income.



MICRO-FINANCE

The current economic situation in the country has affected small scale businesses.

We haven't, therefore, disbursed any revolving funds in this quarter.

CHALLENGES

- Next year, the children who are in pre-unit are supposed to join primary school yet we don't have an extra room.
- The current inflation in the country has inflated the cost of almost everything forcing us to operate outside our budget that was projected at the beginning of the year. This has also affected our micro-finance program.
- The amount of water collected from the roof of the classroom building when it rains is more than the capacity of the tank.
- The stoves that have been fixed in the temporary kitchen has made it to be too small that the food is now served from outside.

OUR MAIN PRAYERS ITEMS/ WAYFORWARD

- There is a need for a storey building which will house 8 classrooms (full primary unit) and an office. This will save us space and cost than to put up several separate buildings in the compound.
- We need a second tank at the rear side of the building to harvest the excess water.

- We propose to make an extension to the kitchen that will be used as a serving area.
- We have halted the disbursement of revolving funds and rescheduled the repayment periods until the economic situation in the country improves. Also, we have introduced the beadwork as an alternative business for the young mothers.

All may not be done at ago but something can be done at a given time as the Lord gives us strength. For we know that He who started the good work will bring it to accomplishment.

We wish you all the best and bank heavily on your prayers.

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