

MAY 2023



EBENEZER KAZUNGULA

NEWS



May got off to a very exciting start, with the arrival of 11 new first years at Ebenezer Kazungula! Our new arrivals enjoyed a week of orientation before jumping into lessons and production. A highlight of Orientation Week was a visit to a chicken out grower farmer in Bwiketo, an area close to Ebenezer. This gave our new arrivals a taste of what's in store once they start farming their own batches of chickens!



May also saw our second cross-border exchange, with Zimbabwean apprentices Mthelisi and Mthabisi travelling with Zim team members Godfrey and Denmore to join the Kazungula Family in welcoming the new first years. Our apprentices are loving these opportunities to visit each other across different Ebenezer sites and experience life in a different country and culture!



Lessons have kicked off this month for both first and second years. It has been amazing to see the transformation in apprentices and the passion they have to learn more. Our second years have been studying the book of Ephesians in Bible lessons and have enjoyed input from some visiting speakers.



We were privileged this month to have several Ebenezer graduates join us for one of our Sunday services. Graduate Jotham lead the praise and worship and we heard encouraging testimonies from graduates Chilo and Adrian.

We have also been busy this month renovating our office and training space. We have upgraded some of our rickety pallet tables to something more sturdy and we have some very smart desks in our freshly-painted office, creating a conducive and comfortable working environment!

PRODUCTION

Broiler production has been slow to restart due to a shortage in chick supplies. Five second years apprentices, assisted by three first years, have been doing a great job getting their poultry houses ready and we are hoping to place birds in mid-June.

Apprentices have been working hard and having fun as we increase our cropping production. We have completed our maize and sunflower harvests and are very pleased with our yields. We're also pleased that our fence is now fully in place to protect our crops from roaming cattle with an appetite for our tasty produce!

Five apprentices have started planting onion and cabbage in our nursery beds. They have also been preparing land to plant more of the same.

Work continues on our layer house and it's pleasing to have completed the thatched roof. Three apprentices are based in the layer division and they have been working to slash grass and clear the bush around the new layer house. We hope to place birds in the house in August.

