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EBENEZER RAPALE



NEWS

Lessons at Ebenezer Rapale have continued to be great times of learning and discipleship. We are almost finished with our Chronological Bible Storying lessons which have taken us through God's redemptive story. This series helps us not only to understand the overarching redemptive story of the Bible, but also to understand who is who in the Bible and the order of stories and events which our apprentices are familiar with but may not have been able to appreciate in relation to one another or in the chronological context of the Bible narrative.

We are looking forward to more storying through the book of Acts, this time focusing on the early church and evangelisation.

It has been encouraging to see lessons and practical work complementing each other so nicely. Apprentices are engaging wonderfully with classroom learning and then applying what they learn in their productive areas. We are seeing this not only in their application of new information and skills learned, but also in terms of great attitudes and spiritual growth demonstrated in a very practical way.

PRODUCTION

Really exciting production news this month has been the placing of 400 layer birds between two of our aviaries. The birds came aged 17 weeks and they look healthy and ready to bless us with good production. It is a source of great joy and motivation for us as a team to see a diversity in our productive areas, with crops in the fields, broiler cycles running smoothly and now 400 layers!

Our cycles of broilers continue to be very successful, with two more batches placed this month. The second year apprentices have proved themselves to be very faithful stewards in the way they care for the chickens. They have also worked well together to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to farm at least two batches before they graduate in October.

We have transplanted half a hectare each of onion, cabbage and tomatoes intercropped with onion. As well as this, we have sown half a hectare of corn and we are testing garlic and beetroot in our greenhouse. At harvest time we will be interested to see how strong the market is for these two crops.







