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EBENEZER KAZUNGULA





NEWS

This month we have been hosting church services on our campus. Our first service was an intimate gathering of staff and apprentices, with team member Jacob delivering a powerful sermon. For our second service, we were glad to be joined by members of New Life for All, a church plant local to Ebenezer. It was a special service in which everyone was fully engaged and we enjoyed a fruitful day together.

Lessons have been exciting, fun and very enjoyable this month. The joyful atmosphere in class has fostered remarkable growth in our apprentices and this has been seen consistently across all subjects.

Family Nights have continued to be great times of connection and growth as we meet in our individual families to study the book of Colossians. It has been wonderful to see our apprentices actively participating and leading our studies!

A big event every October is the celebration of Independence Day. This year we celebrated with our community by participating in a local football tournament. We are proud of our team which drew in three matches and lost in only one. It was our first time to participate in such a tournament; our apprentices were thrilled to be there and had a wonderful experience.

PRODUCTION

Our maize crop has been a success, providing valuable learning experiences for our apprentices. We have been impressed with its performance, both in terms of yield and market demand. We have also begun to harvest our tomato crop - 44.16 kg have been harvested so far. We have used the profits to purchase a new knapsack sprayer.

Apprentices have also been enjoying learning how to care for vegetables, as we keep a rotating crop in the ground with the aim of consistently supplying our kitchen throughout the year. This month, we have faced a challenge due to heat waves which has had a negative impact on some of our vegetable crops.

Extreme temperatures have also posed a challenge to our broiler birds which suffered substantial losses, despite performing well in terms of weight gain and mortality in the early weeks. The remaining birds are now 5 weeks old and will be going to the abattoir shortly.

We have higher hopes for the second batch of broilers placed at the end of September. They were less affected by the heat and are showing good weight gain and growth.

Our current layer flock is totalling 3,453 birds which are 76 weeks old. This month they produced 2,011 trays, a total of 60,330 eggs.



