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EBENEZER KAZUNGULA

# NEWS

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October has been an exciting and formative month at Ebenezer Kazungula! Our 1st year apprentices have been stepping into the realities of business life - drafting contracts, holding business talks, and learning what it means to manage responsibility with excellence. For most, this is a completely new experience. This has provided a great opportunity for us mentors and coaches to guide our apprentices into the practical world of agribusiness. One 1st year commented, "I thought a business was easy to run, but now I realise it takes real work and commitment. Still, it's exciting to steward such an investment placed in our hands."

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Meanwhile, our 2nd years have embraced their roles as mentors, joyfully passing on the skills and lessons they learned just a year ago. Their sense of ownership and willingness to invest in others has been inspiring to see.

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Our weekly Family Nights have been rich and refreshing as we study the book of Colossians together. Apprentices have engaged deeply in discussions and these evenings continue to strengthen our spiritual foundations and challenge us to live out biblical truth in both our personal and community life. It's been encouraging to see lively conversations, laughter and deep reflection flow from these gatherings.

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We also enjoyed some community fun this month - our Ebenezer and Sunrise teams joined forces for a soccer match against a neighbouring farm, claiming victory 3-2! It was a joyful reminder that fellowship, teamwork and recreation are essential parts of community life at Ebenezer.

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# PRODUCTION

Our cropping operations continue to progress steadily. This month, we planted 1,800 tomato plants which are performing well. With the early rains arriving, we've also begun land preparation for summer cropping. Our goal is to have our demo plots planted by November 25th. This will serve as a training tool for our Farming God's Way teachings and demonstrations.

In our layer houses we have tightened biosecurity measures and improved our daily monitoring systems, in response to higher mortalities seen earlier in the month. We ended October with an average lay rate of 88% - just short of our 93% target but a strong indicator of resilience and growth.

A major challenge in our broiler houses this month has been temperature management during brooding. Through consultations and coaching, our team has learned valuable lessons that will improve future batches. Despite the setbacks, apprentices continue to gain vital hands-on experience in poultry management and production efficiency.

