

DECEMBER 2025



EBENEZER RAPALE



NEWS

We celebrated a festive Christmas with almost all apprentices onsite over the Christmas period. On Christmas Day itself we played games and prepared a feast. It was a joyful family day and some apprentices testified that this was one of the best Christmas Days they had experienced! Fun, games, good food and God's grace flowing in our midst.



Two days later we had the privilege of sharing in the wedding celebration of some Ebenezer graduates, in the church of the Topene community. Graduates Juvêncio Dias and Nelva Orlando were married in a joint ceremony alongside fellow graduates Mito Rafael and Cecília Carlos. It was a great blessing to see how God unites his children, all of whom met at Ebenezer. It was a wonderful day with other graduates in attendance and our current apprentices fully involved from leading praise to cake cutting!



PRODUCTION

This month we sowed corn in 3 half hectare plots. We have seen good germination across the crop. The challenge now is managing flooding which has come with the rain. Some plants are struggling as a result, but we are working on strategies to minimise the problem.



We also harvested cabbage which unfortunately did not meet our expectations. We had hoped to harvest 8,000 but nutrient deficiencies in the soil and the intensity of the sun reduced our yield to 3,200 heads.

We have faced challenges in our aviaries, with birds stressed by the changing environmental conditions which included rain, cold, heat and wind, all in one month! We also saw a dip in customers at the end of the month. However, we have energy and new strategies for the new year!

INTRODUCING

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Domingos Dias Vicente is one of our 2025 graduates. He is 22 years old and lives in the district of Alto Molócuè. Domingos started a broiler farming business in September, together with fellow graduate Bécio Tito. Their first batch was a success and they were well into their second batch during December, with plans to sell these birds in the first week of 2026. Domingos' commitment to both his business and the local church is a great demonstration to the community. Many young people admire his initiative and dedication to his work - evidence of the fruit of his time at Ebenezer!

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Dário Alberto dos Santos is one of our current apprentices, a young man from Mecuburi. Dário is one of our youngest apprentices and we did have some doubts about his ability to complete the Ebenezer course because of his age. However, he has gained considerable maturity and shown that he is not too young or lazy, in fact he is a young man of enthusiastic participation and innovation. His thinking and the way he undertakes different activities is incredible; his sincerity in all things is evident and he has an ability to get on well with everyone.

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