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EBENEZER KAZUNGULA

NEWS

We have enjoyed some good visits this month: early in the month from the Ebenezer Board who toured the farm and the land we have designated for large scale cropping. Later in the month we welcomed the Permanent Secretary and the Director of the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Arts, who came to understand and appreciate the work and purpose of Ebenezer. The Permanent Secretary and Minister engaged with apprentices, who represented Ebenezer with excellence and confidence. They took time to offer our apprentices encouragement.

The Ebenezer community enjoyed a visit to New Life Church in Katapazi, where we were given the opportunity to lead the Sunday service. Apprentices led a Bible study and preached God's word, as well as ushering the congregation into a powerful time of praise and worship.



PRODUCTION

Our second year apprentices are enjoying focusing their productive time in our layer houses, as they gain as much hands-on experience in layers as they can before they graduate in May. We are sadly facing high mortalities in our layer houses and are troubleshooting to find the cause.

Two broiler sites housed birds this month. While discouraged by previous losses, our apprentices continue to work hard. They are particularly focused on understanding and following our biosecurity Standard Operating Procedures to ensure stable growth rates and minimal mortality.

We had planned to plant 1 ha of beans in February, although achieved planting 25 m x 100 m. Little rains early in the month presented challenges in germination but rains received later in the month have revived the crop which is now shining!

INTRODUCING

My name is Youngson Sinkala and I graduated from Ebenezer in March 2024. I am originally from Mukuni Village, where my aunt told me about Ebenezer and asked if I would be interested, because of the passion I have for agriculture and learning.

I didn't know much about Ebenezer, so when I arrived I thought it was going to be a difficult place for me to live. However, once introduced to lessons, Productive Learning Areas and life at Ebenezer, I immediately fell in love with the place. The biggest challenge was being on time for things, but I soon learnt the value of having a routine and even this became normal.

Apart from agriculture, I learnt that God doesn't want me to be doctrinal or religious, he wants me to have a deep relationship with him and to share his word with people around me.

Since graduating, I have been working as a field officer with Heartlands, managing and looking after out-grower farmers. A lot of growth happened for me at Ebenezer: physically I grew in the strength to manage demanding farming tasks; mentally I upgraded my thinking, especially recognising the need for planning before undertaking anything; spiritually my understanding of God changed and I began focusing on building my relationship with him rather than only trying to please religious doctrinal expectations.

Youngson, pictured below with wife Priscilla (also an Ebenezer graduate) and their daughter, Jasmine.

