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FOUNDATION FOR FARMING

We sat in silence as the video was playing and the narrator in the video was busy telling a story about Africa and how wealthy it is in natural resources. Everyone was attentively listening and the story went on very well.

It was clear that God was speaking vey clearly and convincingly that, the message was a reality of the life we have been living. Someone asked the question, how can we farm without tilling the ground?

The facilitator motioned with his hand and spoke in a convincingly voice, "let us wait and hear more"

"unfortunately, Africa is one of the poorest continent on earth" the narrator in the video continued, "people have continued to rely on their own understanding and use the same methods in farming that have lead to destruction of good and fertile soils which has lead to a lot of poverty.

Africa continues to be depend on other continents for food and other commodities and they have taken on a name of beggars. This is shameful and we do need to repent and return to God. People watching were becoming anxious wondering, as to how we could change the title given to us, "beggars" someone stood up after the video and said, I am very offended to hear what this guy was saying about Africa. Another guy jumped in and said, prove that, you are different from what is known about the Africans. Then another guy stood up and said, you are all making noise, you continue to depend on handouts and except to be different?

This is an imaginary story yet so true to what is going in our communities here in Africa. The answer is to return to God in repentance and take a step in becoming productive.

I have also realized that, many Westerners to Africa with very good intentions for Africa have ended up creating the same problem of dependence on the African soil. What is the secrete to the African success?

There may not be a very big difference between giving out fish and giving out fish nets. If fishnets are given without considering the important things first, then it will not be very different from giving out fish to poor in need.

We do believe that, knowing whether the person we are giving fishnets to is interested in fishing is important, but knowing whether that same person knows how to use the fishnets is even more im-



portant. Foundation for God's farming will help interested people to know how to use the resources that God has put in our care.

We are planning to bring someone who knows the way of farming God's way to be able to teach key people who will be implementing the program at CCB and also teach all the students who will come for studies as from next year.

With the 150 acres of land that we have, we trust God for a good production.

We would like to produce food and stop buying everything for the students.

Our motto has always been, reduce expenditure by creative production.

Join us as we face challenges of mind shift for many of our colleagues some of whom are very essential to the implementation

Meet the Kasembe Family

Seleman and Gladys have been working with our Church for a number of years and they have been involved in VIWA (Youth and Children) in Kanisa La Biblia.

Seleman has been helping this year with lecturing while Gladis is our accountant and also part of the Income Generating Team.

Seleman has a desire to further his studies so that he can be more effective in teaching in VIWA, the Church and also as need arises at CCB.

As from the beginning of next year 2014, the family will be going under the sponsorship of VIWA to study in South Africa at Freeman Bible College in Mpumalanga a College where Mutita Kashimoto lectured whilst in South Africa.

It is the hope of CCB management Team that during their time in South Africa, Gladis will also study for a Diploma in Accounts.

Mutita Kashimoto already went to look for a suitable School and plans are in the process now that Gladis will also get a place at White River Technicla College which is about 13km from the School where they will be living.

Because Gladis has already done a certificate in accounts in Mtwara, she will do one year six months plus a field practice of one year to qualify for her diploma in accounts.

So far the cost is R18,000 for the total course plus R140 per week for transport. Which should come to about R11,000 for the time she will be studying.

CCB is asking all the well wishers of our College to come together and help Gladis study as from next year.



Seleman, Gladis, Victor and Winfreedah Kasembe

Gladis has worked voluntarily in many cases and we know that she will be of use not only to CCB, but to the Church as well.

Please any funds towards her studies can be sent to CCB Bank accout below or for those in South Africa, we will give you details as from next year.

This is an opportunity for us not to miss

Charity Kashimoto

Mutita will be away for two months as Charity his wife is towards the end of her studies in South Africa.

Both Mutita and Charity come from Zambia and were commended to work in Mozambique by the Brethren Church early 1999. they pioneered work among an un-reached tribe on the coast of the Indian Ocean along the Ruvuma River in Mozambique. Charity has been studying for her diploma in Theology and she will be graduating on the 30th November this year.

Both Mutita and Charity will be working at the Bible College here in Tanzania.

Please remember them in your prayers



Charity and Mutita

Academics

We are now coming towards the end of our school year at Nanjoka Bible College.

So far we are grateful to the Lord for His mercies and grace that we have experienced during this years training. It has not been easy for us in many areas.

Some of the challenges we faced in this year include:

• A mindset challenge of both, the students some staff members. The custom of receiving without sweat has not only retard the work, but has built a hedge that makes it hard to penetrate with new mindset, and approach to development/

- Our main income generation came to a halt when the oil extraction machine stopped working due to a mechanical problem and we cannot find parts for replacement as the machine came from German and parts could only be ordered from there
- Some elements of indiscipline among some students

These many other smaller details of challenges caught up with our academic year 2013. but where there are failures, there are successes as well.

- We have managed to teach nearly all the subjects we planned for this year.
- We have had many consultations concerning the 2014 academic year
- Some Churches have asked us to extend our influence by starting a satellite Bible School, which is going to be for periods not exceeding a month in one area.
- We have received invitations from Churches for us to run seminars on some issues of needs in Churches

Income generation

We have learnt the secrete that Paul learnt in Phil 4:12, to be content with plenty or without plenty.

Although it has been very hard to progress, the Lord has proven Himself again and again that if we are faithful, He will be able to supply to all our needs.

We have cleared 10 acres where the cashewnuts are and we hope by next year to have a good harvest of cashPhp 4:12 I know what it is to be in need and what it is to have more than enough. I have learned this secret, so that anywhere, at any time, I am content, whether I am full or hungry, whether I have too much or too little.

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The CCB fields

We are looking forward to years when the grounds of CCB will look different from the way they look like now.

We already started clearing grass where our Cashewnut tree have been so that by the next season we can be able to start harvesting to raise income for CCB

We are also now in tha process of devel-

oping a program that will help our students to become productive not only for CCB but also when they leave the College.

We have a promise of someone to come from South Africa to help



This is where the vegitable gardens used to be during the the first Principal of CCB

train all the staff and students the Foundations for Farming. We received an email from a friend of CCB who have offered to contact the Foundations for Farming in Zimbabwe and sponsor someone from there to come to CCB for some weeks.

To sponsor Gladis for her Education next year, please send your funds to

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PRAYER FOCUS

- Thank God for how He has carried us through this year 2013 with the students. It has not been easy
- Pray that the Lord will bring students with a clear calling for the 2014 academic year
- Pray for 2014 academic year, a few things must be changed especially opening dates and closing dates
- Pray for new lecturers at CCB next year
- Pray for God's providence for all our needs at CCB for the year 2014
- Pray for Charity and Mutita as they are in South Africa for Charity's graduation on the 30th November, they need a lot of money for the graduation and also travel expenses from South Africa to Tanzania with their luggage early December

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We thank you all for your support for CCB. May the Almight God continually bless you and add to your account in Heaven. From all of us at CCB