

PROJECT PROPOSAL DATA
THE NEW JERUSALEM 'KACHELE VILLAGE'
OCTOBER 2008

Land – 500 acres held in Trust by NASAD who hold full Title Deeds from Ministry of Lands.

Situate – 120km north of Lusaka on the Great North Road in the District of Chibombo, Central Province of Zambia.

APPLICANT: NATIONAL AGENDA FOR SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT [NASAD]
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CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 498318

RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL: Mrs. Kathleen Harding MBE

TITLE : Administrator

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION [NGO]
Established 1993

NUMBER OF STAFF : All voluntary workers [4]

WHAT IS THE NGO'S EXPERIENCE IN THE LOCALITY?
15 years total commitment and dedicated service

PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHMENT

To support and improve the lives of the most vulnerable Group/Groups in our Society – the healthy children of leprosy invalids under the care of NASAD.

NATIONAL OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVAL:

NASAD is working closely with Chibombo Council, the Tribal Chief Liteta and 10 Headmen from the surrounding villages.

REASON FOR THIS PROJECT?

The Government of Zambia wishes to integrate all leprosy invalids back into society, to close down the Invalid Compound in the grounds of the Liteta District Hospital, Chibombo District and as far as possible for these groups to return to their villages.

The Government requires these houses in the leper invalid compound for their planned future use.

Government resources are not available for re-locating these individuals.

However, the stigma of Leprosy continues from generation to generation. These healthy children and many of their children too, have been born in the leper colony. They have nowhere to go!

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For the older generation, the leper invalids themselves who have resided in this Compound for the past forty to fifty years they have no village to return to and have lost touch with their own relatives from the time they were taken into the leper colony.

KACHELE VILLAGE - The year 2000

A committee was formed at the outset, [selected members who have proved responsible and reliable in small issues concerning their lives over the past many years] were elected by the community to act in the best interests of all future homeowners.

This is a self-help scheme working alongside the Contractor – under his instruction, to carry building materials, mix cement and generally have ‘hands on’ and a voice when it comes to minor interior planning of layout of their future home.

They participate fully in land clearing but under expert guidance when it comes to cutting down trees.

This village is being built to give a permanent secure future to the healthy offspring of the leper invalids.

At the present time the dependants are living in the single room home of the Invalid In the Leper Colony. In their new homes in Kachale Village the Leper Invalid will live in the 4-room house under the care of his/her children.

PRESEVATION OF TREES AND ENVIRONMENT

This is high on NASAD’s priority of preservation of this unique 500-acre forest land.

Organic farming will be taught, especially in the light of preserving the trees.

MAIN REASON FOR THE PROJECT

To bring about self-reliance and independence. And for the families to take responsibility for their lives and the care of their leper parent/grandparents.

This is envisaged through growing their own vegetables, fruit trees, seasonal crops and the care of chickens, pigs, bee-keeping and co-operative farming.

Thus each family will generate income that will sustain them.

ESTIMATED POPULATION

200 individuals initially, with provision for expansion in the future.

EXPECTED EFFECTS OF THE PROJECT

[relationship between the project and the objectives]

The fact each family will have 5 acres of land gives good opportunity for development of farming skills, in particular cooperative farming. Such schemes are introduced into the rural areas by trained management who guide the ‘peasant farmer’ into this type of cooperation.

They supply the product to be farmed, such as castor seed, soya beans, ground nuts. The Management Group of the Scheme sells these harvested items and the money realized is given to the individuals within the growing scheme.

These young farmers will teach their children and thus sophisticated knowledge will be passed from generation to generation.

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CHILDREN'S CENTRE - HALL

The majority of children coming to Kachale Village are pre-primary and primary. The Centre will cater for various activities dealing with child development – health of mind, soul and body. The Centre will be open to children from the surrounding villages as none of these ten villages has any facility of this nature.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Project Proposal carries revised plans to build a primary school to cater for children from the surrounding villages. Note: the nearest primary school is 6km east of Kachele or north 8km at Chankumba.

NASAD is registered with Zambia Educational Broadcasting Corporation/Lusaka for 'School on the Air' and Natimwa Learning Centre was opened in May 2007 catering for Nursery – Grade 3 taking only children from Kachele Village till the primary school is built. The temporary school building is one of the recently constructed houses that cannot be occupied by a new family till we have a school for their children who are above Grade 3.

SECONDARY SCHOOL

This development is within the Project Proposal but only after the Primary School is fully functional.

The nearest secondary school is Chibombo – 22km north of Kachele Village. This school is already over-subscribed. There is serious need for another Secondary School in the district of Chibombo.

SKILLS TRAINING CENTRE

This development is within the Project Proposal.

It is envisaged facilities will be made available for

1. tailoring
2. carpentry – furniture making
3. welding
4. business management.
5. Bee keeping [the area is rich in wild bees]
6. The opportunity offered seeks closer unity and harmony between all peoples in the area, within the Village and outside.

All these facilities will work towards encouraging the residents of Kachele Village to remain within the area and bring progress and further development to the entire District of Chibombo.

BOREHOLES

The first borehole was drilled in October 2004 to a depth of 38m and is operated by hand pump. Unfortunately this is on iron stone, giving metallic taste to the water that turns orange in colour after half an hour. It is not harmful to drink.

The second borehole was drilled in 2005 to a depth of 54m and operated by hand pump. In September 2008 a windmill was erected and a cement holding tank constructed on the near-by anthill. This will become functional in October 2008 thus hand pump no longer used. This water, too, is on iron stone.

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Further boreholes are urgently needed and negotiations are in hand with ROTARY [Deal/UK]. The initial communications with Mr. Bob Joslin of Deal were undertaken by Mr. Jay Matta a qualified Hydro-Engineer from International Red Cross and his Zambian colleague Mr. Matthew Mhango in Lusaka.

ELECTRICITY

The next phase of the Project Proposal incorporates the introduction of electricity to the area. Planned in the scheme is the supply of electricity to Chankumba Primary School because supply will be taken from the transformer 10km south of Kachale Village running passed the Chankumba Primary School. NASAD is looking towards bringing development to her neighbours.

CLINIC / HOSPITAL

Although an American Donor proposes setting up a mobile clinic in the Kachele Village by November 2008 NASAD is conscious there is urgent need for a larger clinic – even a small hospital to be built as soon as possible due to the increase of HIV/AIDS pandemic in the district also malaria and maternity complications.

At the present time there is no clinic facility within the area. The nearest is Liteta District Hospital 10km south through the bush and 60km north to Kabwe General Hospital. There are no rural clinics in the area!

HIV / AIDS

NASAD is involved in the care of sufferers and trained community care workers regularly hold workshops to enlighten the people under NASAD care to the dangers as well as to treatment of sufferers.

A full time community care worker, with experience of this nature gained in his practical examinations in the UTH [University Teaching Hospital, Zambia] will be taking up residence in Kachele Village to tackle this enormous problem.

Many of the children coming to live in Kachele Village have been orphaned or have only one parent [usually the mother] as a result of this pandemic.

This aspect of life is being given high priority on the program of Development of Health of body, mind and soul by NASAD.

Sadly the successful AIDS Awareness Program set up by NASAD in 2005 came to an end in November 2006 due to lack of funds that were sourced solely by the Administrator of the Charity. As time moves forward the emphasis on HIV/AIDS Awareness seems to be dying!

PREVIOUS FUNDING.

The two boreholes funded by HOLLAND are in full operation with hand pumps but one will bring water to the surface by the newly installed windmill. The windmill a donation from UK.

The first 9 houses constructed of steel/concrete foundations; steel/concrete pillars; concrete beam; steel trusses and iron roofs are in position. Window frames steel with mukwa front door leading to covered veranda.

Each home has a pit latrine toilet that is of concrete foundation with concrete block walls and incorporates a bathroom, all under high quality corrugated iron roof.

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Funding for the first 6 homes was from CANADA AID FUND.

Funding for a further 3 homes was from SAGA Magazine readers in England, the result of an article printed in the May 2006 issue by International Journalist on the life-dedication of the Administrator – Kathy Harding MBE.

The donation of US\$4,000 from SAVE AFRICA'S CHILDREN FUND in Los Angeles USA is held in the Bank [earning Interest] and is ear-marked to be used in the School Hall presently under construction. The hall should be ready to be commissioned and officially opened by The end of November 2008.

Funds have been received from Germany – individual benefactors

Australia - individual benefactor

America - individual benefactor

America - University Presbyterian Church/North Carolina

England - Individuals / Churches/Rotary

England - Church of England – Tavistock for Hammer Mill
[opened November 2007]

England - Windmill + holding tank – Mr. N.Farrow

Zambia - International Women's Group K30,000,000

Zambia - Wild Gees – K6,000,000 for school desks

Zambia - Self-Reliance Encouragement ~Charitable Trust
[donation of School Hall]

THE ROAD.

From Great North Road to Kachele Village there is 15km bush road. This was made into an all-weather gravel road in 2006/2007 by SHEMA [donation to Government for improvement of agricultural rural road development]. No machinery was involved as the scheme insists upon hand labor by local villagers. Thus a way for the peasant to earn hard cash.

SUMMARY.

HOW WILL THE LOCAL CAPACITY OF BOTH WOMEN AND MEN BE STRENGTHENED TO ENSURE THE PROJECT BENEFITS AND WILL BE MAINTAINED?

When something belongs to you, pride of ownership immediately becomes the KEY to success, prosperity and happiness.

For these folk who were once despised and rejected by their relatives/villages/society they will ensure the pride created in Kachele Village will be the inheritance for their children for generations to come.

Intense farming activities will ensure food sufficiency. Skills training will provide profit-earning benefits for all members of the family. Prosperity is guaranteed.

PLANNED FOR EARLY 2009.

Construction 3 houses for new resident families. This is URGENT but funding presently unavailable [\$12,000 per house].

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FOR URGENT CONSIDERATION

The problem being faced is : Until we have the school constructed we are unable to move more family units into Kachele Village. Already stated in this Proposal we have a temporary school – pre-primary to Grade 3 using one of the houses that should be given over to the little family living in tents in the Village.

The foundations / slab have been prepared for the first three classrooms with funding of US\$9,000 from the International Women’s Association of Lusaka/Zambia. Completion of this block is anticipated by January 2009. Thereafter a further block of four classrooms – each with small storeroom plus two administrative offices – must be added to complete the primary section of Natimwa Learning Centre.

A small house to accommodate the head teacher should be built close to the school. The land has been cleared and ready for construction immediately funds are in hand. This house will not follow the design of the main houses in Kachele Village and thus less expensive to construct. The cost of construction US\$8,000.

TRUSTEES

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