



# Serenje Orphans Children's Home (SOCH)

## May 2013, Activities Report

30<sup>th</sup> May, 2013

### Introduction

Considering the key projects that were funded at the orphanage, all of them have come to completion. Children are on site and are going to different schools as usual.

### Fence and Gate construction

This project is completely finished now. Front half fence is painted and the gate is fixed. This has assured us of the existing boundaries at the orphanage. No land complications are expected from the neighbors. There is some beauty added in the front of the orphanage out of the painted fence.



Front view of Orphanage and the gate way

### Education

Children have so far continued going to school and the library is in operation. The orphanage staff is able to help them with homework, especially in the evening after all come back from school. Currently, last terms results are being released through school reports. So far half of the children have brought their school results while others have not yet received from their schools. It is expected that all school reports will have been collected by mid month of June. In this case, a school performance results data report is expected to be included in the next month. June, report.

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**Children in Library**

### **New Motor Vehicle**

Now that the major construction work is complete at the orphanage, the old truck which has served us so well, has been replaced by a more modern utility vehicle shown in the photo. This vehicle has a complete covered carrying space at the back that will help carry orphanage foods, take orphans to hospital when sick, and help the director effectively operate orphanage activities. The vehicle is also fit for local Serenje roads.



**Nissan Terrano, 5 seater.**

### **Chicken Run**

We are glad to give the update that SOCH has now started raising chicken. The staff and children at the orphanage are extremely grateful to the donors of the funds to establish the chicken project, the IWCN Charity Committee in Geneva, and Mrs Greenhalgh, the mother of Henry who was on the 2012 Collège du Léman trip to Serenje. Chicken meat will help improve the diet of the children by adding proteins and lipids for body building and energy giving respectively. The surplus chicken will be sold so that restocking is done and profits are made. Chicken manure is very good in adding fertility to the garden. So, Manure is being used in the garden and better vegetables are expected to be harvested from the garden.



**First stock of chicken at SOCH**

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### **Garden**

The garden is now being cultivated and some beds are made for new seedlings. Manure has been applied and bumper harvest is expected. More importantly, older children have made their own vegetable beds and have planted seedlings themselves. The idea is that older children can be able to make their own pocket money from vegetable sales and make decisions by themselves under the guidance of the staff.



**Beds made in garden**



**Chicken manure good for vegetables**

### **Home Look of SOCH**

The hedge and the flowers at SOCH have added the value of the orphanage surrounding. The lawns and pathways are well demarcated where no lawn children trespassing is encountered. It is now really looking like a home.



**Current Orphanage view**

### **Conclusion**

It is important to realize that there is a great responsibility that is assumed by the sponsors. All SOCH donors and sponsors deserve a credit for the best they have done to support SOCH. The staff and orphans are very thankful of all the help rendered to them. Next year, 2014, will be the first anniversary for SOCH. What a year, 2014, of success remembrance!

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