



Serenje Orphans Children's Home (SOCH)

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Introduction

We are at the midst of rainy season in Zambia. It is time when grass is very tall and maize is at its tussle and flowering level. The weather conditions are unstable, it gets hot and abruptly becomes cold. Nevertheless, it is well enjoyed by Serenje residents. All activities at SOCH are still in progress as expected.

SOCH View

The environment at SOCH is always maintained clean. This provides health surroundings. It helps prevent harboring of mosquitoes and break out of malaria at orphanage. In this case the grass is kept law and lawns are well beautified with the help of a lawn mower.



Education

Orphans that passed their examinations have so far been upgraded to higher grades. Grade 7 pupils (in white uniform) passed national examinations to grade 8 at Secondary School. Grade 9 pupils passed for a certificate but they did not qualify for selection to grade 10. In this case, they are handed over to guardians for decision on way forward, however, SOCH board members recommended that they repeat in previous grades or their guardians have to negotiate for place in higher grades if they feel it would work so that they continue with school since they are still young but old to be at orphanage. So, it is agreed that if they continue with school, they will be operating from their guardians' homes.

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Orphans in their new uniforms

Gardening

As it was illustrated in the last report, the nursery has now been transplanted in beds. Ducks are also enjoying the pond waters and in a way their droppings fertilize the pond for planktons (fish feed).



Fruit trees, ducks and vegetables at garden site

Among other activities in support of orphans that include feeding, school fees payments and providing shelter, above activities have been in progress. SOCH is therefore in appreciation to sponsors for the great support that does not cease in helping orphans shape their future.

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