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STORIES FROM THE FIELD



Chemistry demonstration just before Malawi went into COVID-19 lockdown. Kuwala_2021

The light always rises; darkness is temporary.

As the pandemic sweeps across Africa, the Malawian Government closed all schools at the beginning of February. On February 22, all schools reopened, allowing our girls to return with renewed excitement and learning readiness. During the lockdown, the girls returned to their homes in rural areas. These rural areas are more isolated, but the girls monitored themselves while at home. The Government has also extended the school year to ensure the girls complete all the required academics for the Term.



Raising the rafters on the dining hall, Kuwala_2021

Construction continues... No rest.

Construction on the campus continued. The crew is presently working on the roof for the dining hall and the windows and doors. The new Hostel foundation and floor are curing, and the walls will be next, to be constructed, brick by brick.

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The Kuwala girls help out where and when they can. The photo shows how hard the girls are willing to work for what they have. This is volunteer by the way! The girls actually enjoy the learning experience of construction. Image shows girls moving the cinder blocks to build the new hostel.



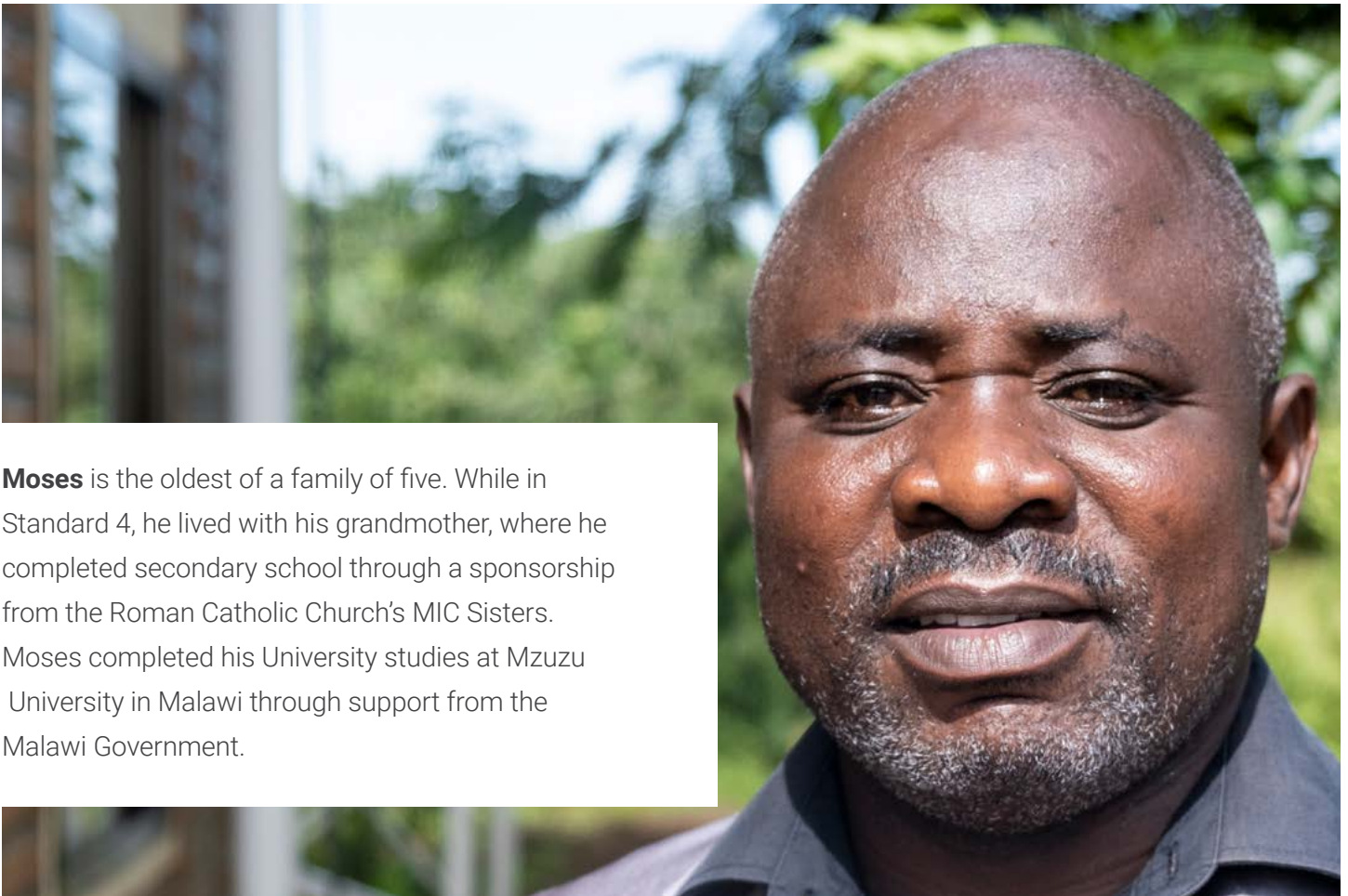
Kuwala girls working in the orchid field where they are planting lemons, guavas, mangos, and peaches.

Planting for today, food for tomorrow is the vision.

Planting at the campus continues

Kuwala is excited to be planting sweet potatoes in the outdoor gardens. The standard diet in Malawi is a porridge made from corn or rice. Having a meal with sweet potatoes will provide added nutrients to their diet. As the girls clear the weeds and growth around the trees, the compost from those scraps is heaped up and used for the sweet potato beds. The Orchard fruit trees have also been growing an abundance of lemons, guavas, mangos and peaches. After the rainy season, the greenhouse will begin

replanting vegetables and tomatoes. Kuwala purchased a large freezer for the school, and now they can buy larger quantities of meat and keep processed fruits and vegetables for an extended length of time.



Moses is the oldest of a family of five. While in Standard 4, he lived with his grandmother, where he completed secondary school through a sponsorship from the Roman Catholic Church's MIC Sisters. Moses completed his University studies at Mzuzu University in Malawi through support from the Malawi Government.

Moses Chaleara, Kuwala Teacher_2021

Getting to know the staff.

Meet Moses Chalera, Teacher of History, Bible Knowledge and Geography

In his words, Moses says, "Kuwala has a bright future; one can tell it is a Christian school from the beginning." He sees potential in the students as Kuwala provides them with a better learning environment, spiritually and academically motivated. The students benefit from well-qualified and hard-

working staff and teachers; in return, they learn the spirit of hard work. They are growing in a healthy environment because Kuwala provides them with a healthy diet. The girls are becoming a real help in their communities by teaching what they have learned at Kuwala.



Faith, taken while she was arriving at the Campus. Many students have to travel to get to Kuwala. This is why we have dorms. It keeps the students in a learning environment and removes the family's burden to pay for transportation. Kuwala_2021

Getting to know the student.

Meet Faith

Student in Form 3

Faith is a student in Form 3 and is so happy to be studying and living at Kuwala. In her words she says, "it is through the grace and mercy of her sponsor that I can learn and finish secondary school and continue my education." Faith has a goal to become a Doctor. She wants to help sick people in hospitals

and also give guidance and counselling about the importance of going to school. Faith also wants to help her family.

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New partnership in Manitoba for international cooperation.

We are delighted to report that in January 2021, Kuwala is a member of the **Manitoba Council for International Cooperation**. MCIC values are echoed in our charity: a just world, voices for change, and supporting each other to be global citizens.

MCIC provides Kuwala with opportunities to engage with fellow Manitobans on various issues and approaches to international development, including the possibility of access to an annual grant for international development provided by the Province of Manitoba.

Through MCIC, Kuwala connects to numerous members that include many familiar development alliances and networks and thousands of Manitobans who support the vital vision of a just world as we strive towards achieving, for example, the sustainable development goals as set by the

United Nations. MCIC supports networking and capacity development in members and partners for more significant impact, engaging the public to be active global citizens, international cooperation through funding, and maintaining and strengthening organizational wellness.

We will continue to share future updates about Kuwala's engagement with MCIC. For more information on the mission and vision of MCIC please visit the website. www.mcic.ca