



December 2021



Banana trees at Agape

Merry Christmas to the Friends of Diane Gorham and Children's Ministries Agape Farm!

A grateful, faith filled word from Diane Gorham, Executive Director: "CMAF in Zambia is helping children have a right to eat, have education, and the knowledge that someone cares for them and loves them. I believe that each child is important, and I am thankful that I can be in Zambia with them! God's nature, holiness and love is revealed in the wonderful rising and setting of the sun and in the singing of the children's voices. God will help us succeed. He personally directs us in the way we should go and His word is our weapon. He has given me Revelation 22:1-3 as a promise and a vision for the continuing ministry at Agape Farm."

Our purpose

Agape Farm is a non-denominational Christian organization providing schooling, teaching farming skills, and offering medical clinic services. It is located in a rural area of Zambia, Africa, where the community's living conditions are primitive. It can be challenging to find clean water, adequate shelter, and employment.

To make an impact in these conditions, Diane and Children's Ministry Agape Farm addresses opportunities for economic development and encourages hard work and Christian discipleship. The ministry extends its reach by visiting prisons, hospitals and mental institutions, ministering to those who are sick and forgotten.

Updates at Agape Farm

- An additional open-air school building for hot seasons has been constructed. Villagers provided all the hay for the roof, demonstrating their commitment to the ministry in their area.
- Pastor Banda's house, a teacher's house and girl's bathroom are currently being constructed.
- New crops are sweet potatoes and beans. Oranges and bananas are being harvested, and avocado trees are being planted.
- Computers were donated and very needed chalkboards were acquired and installed in the school rooms in November!
- The program currently has 300+ children enrolled. It is at capacity until more facilities are completed, particularly the bathrooms.



Constructing a home for Pastor Banda

Immediate next needs

- Cafeteria for children (\$1100)
- Caretaker's house (\$837)
- Boy's bathroom (\$782)



Children gather for a meal outside

Future vision

- Fencing or other barrier is needed to keep loose cows from eating crops as they go to the river to drink. The proposal is to construct a fence of barbed wire or other material that would temporarily meet the need until bamboo and/or thistle bushes can be grown as a natural barrier.
- Bamboo is the preferable crop/barrier as it would serve a two-fold purpose of keeping cattle out of the farm and be a renewable source of fuel and food. It can be used to create an amazing number of products, including construction essentials like scaffolding, support beams, walls, roofs, flooring, etc.

At this point, our 2021 budget is at a \$5400 deficit. Will you partner with us in year-end giving to make up the difference?! “Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account... and my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus!” (Philippians 4:17, 19). We invite you to continue supporting the work of Agape Farm of Zambia through your finances and prayer.

Remember to make your gift to “Global Horizons” and put “Agape Farm” on the note. To give online, go to: www.globalhz.org, and click on the Donate tab. You will see Children’s Ministries Agape Farm under “New GHI Partners.”

With gratitude for your generosity at this time when we celebrate the Greatest Gift, our Lord Jesus Christ,

Diane Gorham and the Children’s Ministries Agape Farm Committee
(Mike and Martha Port, Mark and Gayle Stage, Mary Stage)

