

### Supporting the Falconer Children's Home and Orphanage, Kabulamema, Zambia



**Newsletter Christmas 2025** 



# Hope In The Lord



But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

(Isaiah 40:31)

As another year draws to a close, we can look back on all that has happened during the year with amazement and gratitude. Remarkable progress has been made at the farm, while the girls' dormitory is also progressing, albeit more slowly. In this newsletter we look at some of the academic achievements of those working at the Home. Meanwhile, here in Norfolk we have closed down the storage unit and set up a new office.

We are mindful of the commitment and dedication of so many people, in order to see this work continue. We are grateful to Simon for a lifetime of devotion to the Home and its children, and to those who have worked tirelessly alongside him. We also acknowledge those who support the work here in the UK - the trustees; trust manager Neil; our volunteers Brian and Margaret, and all our supporters and donors. We praise God for all who are part of this amazing work!

## The Girls' Dormitory

In the last newsletter we mentioned the work on building a dormitory for the girls. At the moment, window frames and doors are being made, and preparations are underway for the roof. Pillars are being built to support its weight. The picture shows iron bars which will be encased in concrete for this purpose.





Joshua with a mango

#### We Have Moved!

Because we are no longer sending parcels of goods to the Falconer Home, we have moved out of the storage unit into a smaller office. Our postal address is now:

The Falconer Trust, 34 Muir Drive, Hingham, Norwich NR9 4PQ

Our phone number has also changed to: 07810 457560

#### News From The Farm

With the irrigation project at the farm almost complete, Simon and his team are already seeing the benefits. The first maize crop is growing well, and the smaller field is already yielding crops of tomatoes, cabbages, onions, rape and aubergines. Harvesting of these crops will begin in December. The intention is that there will be enough not only to feed the children, but also to sell produce to generate an income. In this way, the farm should be self-funding next year, with the cost of fertilizer, seeds etc. paid for from this income.

The current maize crop is being watered naturally, the rainy season being well under way, but a new crop will be planted next April or May, which will be reliant on the irrigation system for water.

The main part of the project yet to be completed is the reservoir. This has been dug and is being lined ready to be filled. It will not only serve as water storage, but also as a fish farm to provide more food for the Home





Tomato plants

Meanwhile, on the livestock front, in September a boar was hired for a month in order to breed with the sows at the Home. Hopefully this will mean that some litters of piglets will soon be on their way!

#### The DVD of the 2025 Visit

Please get in touch if you would like a complimentary copy of 'Lord Of The Harvest', the DVD from the visit to the Falconer Home earlier this year. Alternatively, you can view it on YouTube, by following this link:

https://youtu.be/FtxAvD8G2Vs?si=aLLIGpopP6bD4FM1

### **Academic Achievements**

Joseph is a young man who grew up at the Falconer Home, and is currently working as the Home's administrator. He has just been accepted onto a four year degree course in Social Work at DMI-St. Eugene University, Lusaka, starting in February 2026. We congratulate Joseph on this achievement, and wish him well in his studies.



Joseph



We also congratulate Simon's nephew, Clarks, who works tirelessly for the benefit of the Home. Clarks has just graduated with a BA in Social Work and Counselling. The skills he has learned on this course will be of great benefit as he works to support the welfare of the children at the Home.

We are asked to pray for children who are facing upcoming examinations at school: Gwen, Lizzy and Bertha are sitting Grade 9 exams, while Kaumba, Ken and Kenneth are taking Grade 7 exams.

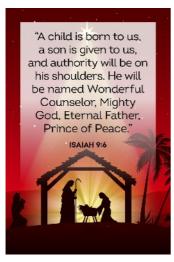
Finally, we pray for Simau, a young man who works at the farm, who is soon to sit his final exams in Animal Science.

All Change In Norfolk!

graduation

As you can see on the previous page, our office has moved, as we no longer have need of a large storage facility. This

means we save on overheads, with cheaper rent and fewer utility bills. Neil is now part-time instead of full-time, so there are many savings. We will no longer be incurring the escalating costs of sending parcels. A larger proportion of our income will therefore be able to be sent directly to the Home.



## Please Pray...



- •... Thank God for the achievements of Joseph, Clarks, Simau, and all who are at various stages of their studies
- •... for abundant crops of maize and vegetables at the farm, and for successful pig breeding
- •... for steady progress on the girls' dormitory, and for the funds to see the work to completion
- •... for Simon, that he may continue to have the energy and good health to continue his work, with the support of his team
- •... for all the children at the Home, that they have a happy and blessed Christmas.

#### Thank You

A very big thank you to all who have supported the work throughout the year in some way, through your prayers and your giving. May God bless you richly for your efforts on behalf of the children. May you have a happy, blessed, and peaceful Christmas!



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