GIVE THE CHILDREN OF MPONGWE A FUTURE

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1 INTRODUCTION

"Give the Children of Mpongwe a Future" is a registered Non-Governmental Organization (registration number ORS/102/96/12). The founder and chairperson of this organization is Mrs. Ton Korsten-Korenromp of the Netherlands. Initially, the organization started as a community based organization under the Mpongwe Baptist Mission. When demand for project activities grew in 2005, new ideas came up to expand the horizon of activities. New members were co-opted into the committee which had representation from the District HIV-AIDS Task force, Mpongwe Baptist Association, Chieftainess Lesa, Health, Education, District Planning Unit, Community Development and some community members. The total number of committee members as at now is 9, assisted by two Belgian volunteers. The organization is managed at two levels as below.

1.1 MPONGWE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

This is the committee that provides the leadership in Zambia. It receives applications from interested organizations, conducts field and desk appraisals, recommends viable projects to the board in the Netherlands, conducts implementation of activities and also monitoring of project activities. The current Executive committee in Mpongwe has been conducting GCMF functions since 2005

1.2 THE FOUNDATION BOARD IN THE NETHERLANDS

This is the board that is in charge of resource mobilization, project monitoring and evaluation and recommendation for project commencement.

2.0 ANNUAL REVIEW 2009

The year 2009 has been a very fruitful year for the foundation, with many different kinds of projects. The income generating GCMF Guesthouse and Internet Cafe are fully running and some longer running projects such as the teacher's houses in Chipese and Chisanga have been completed.

The foundation also ventured in new types of projects, such as a big youth exchange, more income generating projects, and its core business, the OVC-project has been further developed.

Despite this positivity about the year 2009 however, some projects have proved to be very challenging, but the committee is determined to overcome those challenges.

In the year 2009, we received a total of K 589.336.744 or approximately \in 90.667¹ for all the projects. Please check the financial report in the appendix.

Below is a detailed account of the projects and their levels of progress at the moment.

¹ Throughout this year report, we will use an average exchange rate of 6500 K / 1€

2.1 THE GCMF GUESTHOUSE AND INTERNET CAFÉ INCOME GENERATING PROJECT

The construction of the GCMF Guesthouse and Internet Cafe has been finished and is now a separate entity. This means that all the costs are now for the account of the Guesthouse.

The first year running has been quite challenging, because of the lack of experience the committee has with the managing of a Guesthouse of this kind. Thanks to the help of four Dutch students Hotel Management from Zuyd University in March-May 2009, and one in September-October 2009 however, the Guesthouse is now doing fine, and we are expecting to raise the first profits for the foundation mid 2010. With these profits, the foundation wants to fund the projects it is carrying out, and become more independent from external sponsors.

The Internet Cafe is a bit more difficult. We have a small but loyal clientele and the Cafe has definitely improved the overall standards of Mpongwe, but due to the high costs of the internet provider, we are currently running at a small loss. We are trying to tackle this problem by improving the services and giving computer and internet lessons.

All in all, the GCMF Guesthouse and Internet Cafe has fast become a name in the Mpongwe District, and the future is only looking brighter.

The total costs of this project were K 707.900.544 or approximately € 108.908. In 2009, GCMF spent K 82.588.150 or approximately € 12.706 on this project.

Below is the GCMF Guesthouse in pictures.



2.2 Two (2) TEACHERS HOUSES AT CHISANGA BASIC SCHOOL

The foundation has resumed the works at the second teacher's house at Chisanga Basic School around March 2009. The difficulties that were there in 2008, that is to say low accessibility, difficulties to communicate, were still present. Chisanga is a very remote area, with no cell phone reception and the roads hereto become nearly impassable during rainy season.

However, at the verge of the New Year, the house has been completely finished and is already in use as we speak.

The total sum for the two houses was K 26.191.900 or approximately \in 4.029. The costs in 2009 were K 14.552.000 or \in 2.240.



Below are the current pictures of the two teachers houses.

2.3 A TEACHERS HOUSE AT CHIPESE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

This project was started in the year 2008. A youth group, who visited Mpongwe in 2007, together with "Johan Wind Stichting" had donated K 40.000.000 to build a teachers house. The house in Chipese is bigger than other teacher's houses the foundation had built so far. Because of that, and because of the high price of the cement at the time of construction, costs maintained to go up.

However, we managed to complete the teacher's house in July 2009 at a total cost of K 45.466.500 or approximately \in 6.994. The foundation spent K 13.647.000 or approximately \in 2.100 on Chipese in 2009.

Special thanks go to the youth group of 2009 (see below), who assisted us in the painting of the house. Thanks to their assistance the teacher's house was officially opened in July 2009, in the presence of the youth group and representatives of the Ministry of Education, the DEBS and the School Board.

On the next page are pictures of the Chipese teachers house.



2.4 KABUMBA COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Early 2009, we received the good news that the Zambian Government would construct a 3 classroom block at Kabumba. We therefore forfitted the plans to construct a community school at the same place.

Together with the sponsors of Vastenactie, the Foundation decided to spend the money on 100 desks for Lwanyanshi and Bilima Community Schools, two double latrines in Kabumba, two double latrines in Lwanyanshi, the OVC-project of 2009, paint for the teacher's house in Chipese and the deficit of Chisanga teacher's houses.



2.5 A THREE CLASSROOM BLOCK AT LWANYANSHI COMMUNITY SCHOOL

This has been one of the more challenging projects for the foundation. The project was started in 2007, but is not finished to this date.

Lwanyanshi is the most remote project we have at this point. This means difficulties to monitor, a contractor who lives far from the construction site, low accessibility and no network coverage to call somebody in case of any problems. A good example for this is the fact that during the flooring of this project, the pump at the school broke down, there was no water to mix the cement. When that message finally reached us at Mpongwe and Mpongwe District Council managed to go to Lwanyanshi and fix the pump, a lot of valuable time was already lost.

The foundation is trying to visit the site as frequently as possible to urge the community to finish the project as soon as possible. In September 2009, the Lwanyanshi Community chose a new committee to be responsible for the project. Since then, communication is easier and works seem to progress faster. At this moment, they will almost start painting.

However, it is nice to say that the school is already being used by the pupils.

The total cost for this project so far is K 62.658.500 or approximately \in 9.640. In 2009, the costs were K 33.031.000 or approximately \in 5.082.

Pictures of the construction of the school can be found below.



2.6 Skills Training Center for the Nchembwe Twesheko Women's Group

Nchembwe Twesheko was formed by, and is run by, professional women (nurses, teachers, agriculturalists, civil servants and businesswomen) in Mpongwe Central to assist with the development, education and skills of other, less fortunate women. To assist them, GCMF decided in 2007 to construct a skills training center for their benefit.

This project has unfortunately caused some problems. In conjunction with the board in The Netherlands, the committee decided to enroll a contractor for this skills training center. This contractor was well known to the foundation and had already proven his capabilities in some works at the GCMF Guesthouse.

From the beginning of the project the contractor was however unable to fulfill his promises and his stories about materials being made at a workshop in Kitwe were becoming harder and harder to believe.

The situation has reached the point where we have sent a final warning letter to the contractor to come to the offices in Mpongwe with all the material they already have at the workshop and discuss the way forward. The deadline for this was 22 December 2009. Again, the contractor was unable to meet this deadline, but at least contact was restored. With threats of the police being involved, the contractor now promised to resume works in February, when the heaviest rains have passed. In the mean time, he will store the already bought materials at the GCMF Guesthouse.

We will do our utmost to make them resume the works or to retrieve the money we already paid them.

The money spent on this project in 2009 is K 33.700.000 or approximately \in 5.185. This is also the total amount spent.

Some materials have been bought by other, small sponsors, such as Jos and John Schoorlemmer and the youth group



(see below), while the group is waiting for the center to be finished.

2.7 HUNDRED SCHOOL DESKS FOR LWANYANSHI AND BILIMA

With the money that became available by the cancellation of the Kabumba project (see above) Vastenactie donated 50 desks to Lwanyanshi and 50 to Bilima. So far, 60 desks are finished and 30 were delivered to both schools. The order has been made for the remaining 40 desks. We are hoping they will be finished by February 2010.

In 2009, GCMF spent K 21.000.000 or approximately € 3.230 on this project. This is also the total amount spent.

Pictures of the benches can be found below



2.8 ORPHANS AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN

2009 was the year where the foundation tried to optimize the functioning of the OVC-project. The debts we had from the previous year were fast cleared and a system was brought up to allow more planning and monitoring. Every orphan now has his/her personal file, which makes it easier to follow up. We have as well tried to improve the relationships with the different schools, so that we will be informed faster when there were any problems.

In 2009, 2 pupils finished their further education, one in Human Resource & Business Management and one has a diploma in Financial Management. 4 other students are at Zibsip,

Zamtel, Nipa and Evelyn Hone College in Lusaka.

9 pupils wrote their final examinations and 17 wrote Grade 9 examinations. The committee is still waiting for their results, as at now.

In December 2009, there was a meeting with the OVC stakeholders of the Mpongwe District, as to coordinate our functioning more. Some good relationships have started there and new meetings are planned early 2010.

The efforts we have made to improve the working of the OVC support are efforts for the future and it is of the utmost importance that we continue the same road in 2010.

In 2009, the foundation sponsored 94 pupils, for the total amount of K 72.338.450 or approximately \in 11.129. (Including the debts of 2008)



2.9 ELECTRICITY AND A HAMMER MILL IN SWIITI VILLAGE

After a long delay by Zesco, the Electricity Company of Zambia, the Swiiti Village hammer mill was finally connected in January 2009.

The mill was installed, and in April 2009, we had the official handover in the presence of the the MOV group and Ton Korsten-Korenromp, the founder of the foundation. The mill is working beautifully and the women are generating an income for the orphans they support.

The total cost for this project was K57.896.293 or \in 8.907. In 2009, the foundation spent K 996.000 or approximately \notin 153 on this project.

Pictures of the Swiiti Village Hammermill can be found below



2.10 TUBOMBESHE SKILLS TRAINING CENTER

The Tubombeshe Skills Training Center was built by the foundation in 2007. At the center, Tubombeshe is carrying out adult literacy classes, and they use it for their developmental meetings as well.

For their adult classes in designing and tailoring, the foundation will assist them with the necessary materials. Most of the materials have been purchased in December 2009. The rest will be bought when the actual classes will start, that is to say in January 2010.

The costs of this project in 2009 were K 20.200.000 or approximately \in 3.108. This is also the total cost for this project.



2.11 WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT



This was a big and challenging project for the foundation. We installed water pumps at Chipese Community School, Kakombela Village, Maole Village, Manshi Village and the Tubombeshe Skills Training Center, repaired a defected pump at Kasamba Rural Health Center and finally finished the borehole at the GCMF Guesthouse.

Other than that, we also constructed double latrines at Chitabale Basic School, Kabumba Basic School, Lwanyanshi Community School, St Francis Mazerie Community School and Shingwa Basic School.

All works have been finished, except in Lwanyanshi, where work is going a bit slower, due to the same problems as stated in the chapter about Lwanyanshi Community School.

After the installation of the pumps and the construction of the latrines, there was still budget available for yet another aspect of the project: the rehabilitation of broken boreholes. The initial planning was that the foundation would repair 13 defected boreholes in remote areas, in collaboration with the Mpongwe District Council, by the end of 2009. Due to a problem with transport, this was postponed to the end of January 2010.

So far, K 81.788.400 or approximately € 12.583 of the available K 84.850.000 has been spent on this project.

Our greatest gratitude has to go to Jos and John Schoorlemmer, who assisted us tremendously in this project, by coming to install the water pumps voluntarily.

You can find pictures of the water and sanitation project below.



2.12 YOUTH EXCHANGE VISIT

Thanks to the good experience with the 2007 visit of Dutch youths to Mpongwe, the GCMF decided to have yet another visit in 2009. This time, however, we wanted to make it an exchange visit. Not only Dutch youths coming to Zambia, but also Zambian youths going to The Netherlands.

For this project, GCMF joined hands with Landstede-Mpongwe Together One, initiated and organized by ROC Landstede.

With the great work of Wim and Ans Mensink, Judith Evers, Victor Doutlong, Liesbeth Toet and Janny Grootbeumer and with the enthusiastic fundraising by the Dutch youths, assisted by Xplore, we managed to make it happen.

In July 2009, 20 Dutch youths and 5 guides came to Mpongwe. They stayed at the GCMF Guesthouse for three weeks and helped in a lot of places, according to their area of interest. We had a construction and agricultural group, an education group and a health group. They were all impressed by the hospitality of Mpongwe and its inhabitants.

In September 2009, the same number of Zambian youths and guides made the opposite trip and experienced life in The Netherlands.

The Mpongwe youths gained an insight into the chances that Dutch youths get (education, work, ...) and how they have to handle these chances. They learned how people live in Europe, both social, material and spiritual. The exchange visit has motivated the Zambian youths to develop and realize their possibilities and to make optimal use of the chances that they get in their life.

The trip was such a success, that the Zambian youth group wanted to stay together. They would probably start an income generating poultry farm in Mpongwe, with the assistance of GCMF and their Dutch colleagues. With this poultry farm, the youth group wants to raise money to do other projects for the



community. They are making plans to have a community youth center, a youth councilor and a youth training center.

The total costs for this project were K 152.423.700 or approximately € 23.450.

Below, you can find pictures of the exchange visit.



2.13 INSTALLATION OF A RADIO ON SOLAR POWER IN THE KASAMBA RURAL HEALTH CENTER

When John Schoorlemmer was in the Mpongwe for the above mentioned water and sanitation project, he brought a donation from his work, "Stichting IJssellandschap". Together with GCMF he decided to spend it on a radio on solar energy for the Kasamba rural health center. This radio was ordered by the foundation and should be installed in the first week of 2010.



3.0 PROJECTS ON THE WAITING LIST

Since 2005 when the new committee was ushered in, the GCMF has opened up its doors to community groups who wish to undertake developmental projects that were within the GCMF objectives and line of sponsorship. The committee made project requests to be demand driven. In this case the committee received several applications for sponsorship ranging from construction of community schools and sponsorship for primary, secondary and further education. Some projects that passed project and field appraisals are:

- A Vocational Training Center
- A Poultry Farm for the Youth group
- Extension of the OVC Program
- Materials for Nchembwe Twesheko (more than we bought in 2009)
- Purchasing of a 4 wheel drive for the foundation

4.0 STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS IN MPONGWE

The foundation in most cases receives student volunteers from Zuyd University in the Netherlands who actually come to assist the Mpongwe Community and the foundation in the various activities that it is involved in. The following students came to Mpongwe in 2009:

 Simon Monbaliu and Sofie De Baere extended their contracts for project management and Guesthouse management/OVC responsible respectively. They are now staying until July 2010

- Alice Baetsen, Afke Van Druenen, Bart Van Veen and Rodrique Schols came as students in Hotel Management. They wrote a business plan for the GCMF Guesthouse and Internet Cafe and assisted with the starting up of the same. They were in Mpongwe from March to May 2009
- Tim Welten, a student from Life Sciences came to Zambia in May-June 2009 to do research for GCMF and Water 4 Life, an organization specialized in water purification
- Andrea Gortz, a former student from Hotel Management came as a volunteer in September-October 2009 to assist in the implementation of the above mentioned business plan for the Guesthouse
- Anniek Hendrikx, Corinne Horndt, Mandy Leuven and Janka Ummels, students from Education were in Mpongwe from September until November 2009. Corinne and Mandy taught at Kabumba Basic School, Anniek and Janka at Chipese Community School



 Ralph and Raymond Lacroix, students from Technical Engineering came in October 2009 to do research about alternative energy in Zambia and Mpongwe in particular. They will leave for the Netherlands early 2010

The foundation had the privilege to host some enthusiastic students, and we can only hope that the students coming in 2010 will be of the same caliber, so that we can continue to have those cultural exchanges and cross pollination of ideas.

Other Visits:

- Ton and George Korsten-Korenromp, the founder and advisor of the Foundation came to visit Mpongwe in April to see the projects. We are very grateful for all the hard work they are doing for GCMF and hope to be able to host them a lot more here in Mpongwe.
- Ton Korsten-Korenromp, Jacques Seezink and Harry Stroucken visited Mpongwe in March in their functions of Regional Coordinator and professors of Zuyd University.
- The MOV with Carla Schotman, Ineke van der Vlies, Johnny Veldkamp and Clementine Maatman, a group of Luttenberg came to see the projects they have sponsored, in April.



They brought a cheque of 2 200 EUR. For which, of course, we can only be thankful.

- In June, Jos & John Schoorlemmer came to Mpongwe to assist the foundation with the installation of 4 water pumps.
- In December, Tessa Eggen, Ricky Stevens, Ward van Sloun en Jennifer Dols, students of Zuyd University, came with a cheque of 2 200 EUR. They visited Mpongwe and had a great week at Chibote Centre, the hospital, Bilima, Lwanyanshi and Mpongwe in general.



5.0 THE FUTURE

The future is looking brighter still. The relations with Mpongwe District Council, the District Commissioner (DC) and the District Development Coordinating Committee (DDCC) have improved a lot over the past year. We have put a lot of energy in handing out the right information to the necessary departments, and we are very proud to say that GCMF is now considered to be one of the better functioning NGO's of the Mpongwe District.

The foundation also wants to step back a little from the traditional construction projects, and focus more on its core business, the OVC project, as well as on more income generating ventures.

We want to start doing a better follow-up of the existing projects. This means that we will for example, help in the management of projects such as, Tubombeshe Skills Training Center, Nchembwe Twesheko Women's support Group and Youths in Progress, the youth group from our Youth Exchange.

We want to have a more advisory role in the implementation of their future plans, be present at managerial meetings and follow-up their progress, even after the Foundation has finished its part.

The Foundation also wants to commence with a Vocational Training School. This would be the first of its kind in the Mpongwe District and meetings with the Mpongwe district Council have shown that they are very willing to cooperate. The commencement of small business units is another future program. For these plans, the foundation will get the help of two students from International Business at Hogeschool Zuyd, who will come to Mpongwe in 2010.

6.0 CONCLUSION

The Executive Committee worked very hard to make 2009 a fruitful year. There were a lot of different kinds of projects, which makes it all more challenging, but keeps us fresh as well. Some projects have been quite difficult, but we are enthusiastic to face the problems in 2010. We feel that this foundation is still growing, thanks to the efforts of the board in The Netherlands.

Thanks to the Guesthouse and Internet cafe the first steps to more financial independence are made, but at this point we are still relying on external organizations. We can therefore not forget to thank Wilde Ganzen, Vastenactie, Xplore, MOV, Sint-Joris Ghent, and all private organizations and individual sponsors who have gone out of their way to make sure we could make this year as good as it was.

Another thank you goes out to Mr. Maxwell Bweupe, who has been a faithful member of the Executive Committee, but managed to secure sponsorship on his own to study in The Netherlands. We wish him all the best.

The foundation knows there are more challenges and difficulties ahead in the years to come, but together with the board in The Netherlands, we will continue to try to overcome them and finish a lot more projects.

Another thanks goes out to Sofie De Baere and Simon Monbaliu, the Belgian volunteers in Mpongwe. We are very grateful they renewed their contract in august 2009. We want to thank them for their commitment, dedication and enthusiasm in their work and their positive attitude towards the people of Mpongwe.

Last but not least, we want to express our gratitude to Mrs. Korsten. We can't forget how much time and effort she puts in this foundation and in the development of Mpongwe.

For the Executive Committee Anthony Kalima Chairman GCMF

7.0 ATTACHMENTS

7.1 FINANCIAL REPORT 2009: BALANCE

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Donations		552.513.341	Chisanga Teachers House	14.552.000	
GCMF Nederland	385.881.434		Chipese Teachers House	13.647.000	
Wilde Ganzen	9.925.854		Desks Bilima and Lwanyanshi	21.000.000	
Wim Mensink for Youth Group	156.706.053		GCMF Guesthouse	82.588.150	
Other Revenues		12.244.643	Lwanyanshi Community School	33.031.000	
Selling of spare materials	3.180.000		Nchembwe Twesheko	33.700.000	
University Zuyd for PIB	8.700.500		OVC	72.338.450	
Bank Interests	364.143		PIB Hogeschool Zuyd	7.546.600	
TOTAL REVENUES		593.004.059	Swiiti Village Hammer Mill	996.000	
			Training Committee Members	2.090.000	
			Tubombeshe Womens Group	20.200.000	
			Water and Sanitation Project	81.788.400	
			Youth Exchange Visit	152.423.700	
			Organisational Costs		32.304.213
			Visa Simon and Sofie	11.140.800	
			Allowances	8.520.000	
			Other Costs	12.643.413	
			TOTAL COSTS	5	568.205.513

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