

THE GOAT PROGRAM IN EBCM – HEADED BY PASTOR MAKAWA

In April 2022, a total of 12 goats were purchased and given to EBCM beneficiaries from Mwalasi area. The criteria of the beneficiaries included widows, widowers, and others who came from families where both spouses were alive but needy. They intended to bring the first off-springs of the goats back to the church so they could be passed on to other needy Christians in the near future. Prior to purchasing the goats, Pastor Makawa drilled the intended group of beneficiaries on ways to properly raise the goats in a bid to ensure sustainability of the program. Aside from the goat program, the beneficiaries formed a Village Savings and Loan Payments group. Through the group, they had access to some soft loans which enabled them to set up small scale businesses such as selling mandasi (a local snack made from wheat flour). Also, through the meetings which they conducted on weekly basis, they prayed together and read the word of God including reciting verses from the Bible.

Below is a picture Pastor Makawa took on the day of presenting the goats at Mwalasi Village.



In May 2022, a total of 12 goats were purchased and distributed to beneficiaries in Chikwewo Zone. Pastor Makawa sent me the following pictures through whatsapp:



Mayera EBCM



Nakusupa EBCM



Nserema EBCM

In June 2022, also 12 goats were purchased and distributed among three EBCM Churches in Nampeya Zone as shown in the pictures below:



Chipolonga EBCM



Nampeya EBCM



Nampeya EBCM

The beneficiaries of the goat program in May as well as June also formed Village Savings and Loan Payments groups in the same manner as the group that received in April 2022. Also, apart from raising the goats and the village savings and loan payments, all the groups were and are still involved in charity programs such as taking care of widows, orphans and the physically challenged from the local communities.

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