

THE LANDIRANI TRUST

SUPPORTING ORPHANS AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN MALAWI



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Our Vision:

A healthy, educated, self-sufficient community in Malawi

WATER: NEW ROTARY BOREHOLES



Mbulawo village celebrating their newly installed borehole.

Funding from Rotary International, Jackson Mississippi, will enable the total installation of 20 boreholes, drilled by Clean Water Malawi. Giving access to a secure clean water source such as a borehole means that there is less dysentery, children are noticeably cleaner, the borehole is close to the village, so being easily accessible allows women and children more time to do other chores and to attend school. For these villages it is a life changing experience.

FIXON PHIRI'S DAY



Heather and Fixon (Outreach Worker) with the portable solar panel unit kindly donated by Ben Bonnet.

His day usually involves many miles travelling around our area on his Yamaha 125 bike; stopping for a quick lunch of n'sima and relish; and meeting lots and lots of people - some who work for Landirani as volunteer members of the Local Based Committee - and many who are beneficiaries of our work. We call him our Field Bwana (Field Boss) because he knows every road, village, school and seems to know every person!

He spends much of his time taking things to and from people; influencing and educating; supporting other field staff; and being a two way street for information between the area and the office. His notebook is always full to bursting. And he's the glue that sticks the area and the office together.

He is a unique and amazing person who says Landirani 'does very good things where no-one else works'.

NEW VEHICLE: ISUZU TRUCK

Unfortunately we have had to borrow money to buy a vehicle, as both of our vehicles were off the road and we desperately needed a vehicle to keep our projects running. Landirani is still looking for people to help support us and our second vehicle. Please consider what a big difference your contribution, vehicle donation or help with maintenance could make to the local communities. With your help, we will be able to continue our sustainable projects.



The new Isuzu truck.

LANDIRANI STAFF NEWS

Congratulations to Gift for passing part one with merit, of his course on 'Rural Community Development'. He attends this course every weekend. He is sponsored by some people in St Matthews Church, Surbiton. read Gift's story by going to www.landirani.org!

Thank you to Bright Futures for sponsoring Gift Banda and people who are supporting our 'Sponsor a Malawi worker'!



Kasengwa Chimwaza, our new water outreach worker.

Unfortunately due to ill health, Liz is unable to go back to Malawi in September as planned. We would like to say a very big thank you for all her extremely hard work and how she's helped to develop Landirani in Malawi!



Liz celebrating her birthday.

EDUCATION: SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP VISITS



Howard family receiving painting from Bowa.

style, Bowa made everyone welcome and presented the Howards with a beautiful painting to take back to their school. Mum Cathy said how much St Paul's 'was looking forward to a great partnership for both sides' and said 'Zikomo Kwambiri' to Landirani, the volunteer teachers, but especially to the school community at Bowa for an unforgettable experience.



Rose and Elvin at Lovelace Primary School.

The Howard family, who attend St Paul's school in North London, got a unique opportunity to visit Bowa, their partner school, on the 19th of August. This was the last partnership Landirani had set up. Their visit was timed to coincide with the final 2011 Teacher's Workshop, delivered by our three amazing volunteer teachers - Annie Upton, Jo Ruff and (new this year) Moira Cerney. In true Malawian

Lovelace Primary School in Chessington pupils and staff welcomed teachers from their partner school in Malawi. Elvin Matola, the Headteacher from Chitedze II, and link teacher Rose Mwale went to Lovelace Primary School to build links with staff and pupils as part of the Global School Partnership programme. Funded by the British Council Reciprocal Visit

Grant through their Global scheme, which supports teachers and students from the UK to learn about global issues.

Mrs Matola said, 'This has been a wonderful opportunity to visit our partners here at Lovelace. It's been interesting to share many of the similar learning experiences and explore the differences between our cultures.'

CHILDREN'S CORNERS

We are still looking for 10 new sponsors to support new students through secondary school! Please get in touch if you would be interested in giving someone this opportunity for a brighter future!

Children's Corner training was facilitated by Ruth Magela, our new Trustee in Malawi and Anderson Kamwendo, a UNICEF Psychological Consultant who set up Children's Corners. The objectives of the training day were: to review the progress, review the use of tools and techniques taught at last year's training, discuss what has worked well and what has not and to provide a refresher of tools that could be useful (with more focus on emotional/psychological aspects). Six participants were expected, but 31 attended.



Participants at the Children's Corner training.

DISABILITY SUPPORT: ZOZO

Zozo has received his three wheeled wheelchair thanks to the funds raised by St Matthews Church soup lunch group. A big thank you for helping him live more independently!

Zozo with his new wheelchair which he is able to operate with his good hand.



M'BANG'OMBE MATERNITY UNIT UPDATE

Sponsor somebody's salary! As Landirani is expanding, we are having to pay more people, so a great way to support us would be through a monthly sponsor a salary donation!



Landirani has finished building the new toilets at M'bang'ombe Clinic. There is a temporary midwife in attendance, but we still haven't found a permanent midwife. The first baby who was born at the temporary unit was named Elizabeth, after Liz Bartley and all her hard work to get the unit up and running again.

Baby Elizabeth.

LOCAL BASED COMMITTEES (LBCs)

There are 14 Local Based Committees in our support area, the latest was set up in Mlumbwira. LBCs are made up of volunteers, each Committee has their own support area; they are the eyes and ears of Landirani on the ground. When there was a measles outbreak, LBC's reported this and we were able to know who to vaccinate. LBCs also help Landirani by finding out about any children under the age of 18, who are looking after their siblings; we are then able to talk to the village on how to provide support to the children.

Each month, LBCs have a template to fill in about all the things that have happened since the last meeting, Landirani then look for all the positive actions the LBCs are

taking, their decisions and feedback, and then they are awarded for their proactive thinking. Each month a winning LBC is chosen to receive a monetary prize to spend as the LBC chooses.

In June, the first prize was awarded to Kaninga LBC, who then decided to use the money to host an orphan lunch.

Sarah Parsloe thanked the LBC by saying, 'It was very generous in heart and spirit for you to use this money for yet more support for your community. I am sure that the orphans, and your community, really appreciated this very selfless and generous gesture. Landirani is very lucky that we have people like you working hard on our behalf to try to make life a little better.'

In September Gaynor Cook will be putting together profiles of each of the centres, Landirani would then like people to support a centre (you will get updates about the progress of the particular centre) – look out for updates in the next newsletter.



Evaluation workshops in July, where members were invited to discuss the successful things their LBCs had done, to find solutions to issues and problems as a group and to discuss what Landirani can do to best support the LBCs and their villages.

Find more information on the website:

www.landirani.org

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funding for £5,000 to run a
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CELEBARTÉ & GIVE WITH LANDIRANI

Whilst celebrating a special occasion: Birthday, Christening, Wedding or Civil Partnership, Anniversary, Engagement, for example; why not make a difference by donating to The Landirani Trust. A big thank you to the illustrator Michaela Meadow who has designed some beautiful donation cards for us, these can be purchased as cards through www.landirani.org, as well as sent as e-cards to friends and family. www.michaelameadow.com



FUNDRAISING AND EVENTS

Recent events:

Sponsored Zumbathon®

Raised a great sum of £1,564! Many thanks to all who took part and supported us and a big thank you to Cheryl Kuit for all her all her efforts!



Cheryl Kuit and Heather Palmer celebrating the success of the Zumbathon®!

Next Zumbathon will be in January at Tolworth Girls School. Date to be announced.

Uphonix Choir

Thanks to the Uphonix Choir for singing at the Rose Theatre and raising £70.77.

Nigel and Sam's cycle

A big thanks to Nigel and Sam Palmer who cycled from Surbiton to Chinon in France, a total of 460km to raise over £2,000 and the money is still coming in!

'Waste not Want not'

A big thank you to Tolworth Girl's School for raising £1,880 through their recycled fashion event and stalls on the field.

Summer Raffle

Thank you to all who helped to make the beautiful African quilt! The raffle raised a grand total of £1,438!

Indulgence Day 2011

This Summer's Indulgence Day raised £1,315.50. Thank you for all who helped to make it a great pampering day!

Celebrate & Give

Three happy couples have helped to raise funds by asking guests that in lieu of gifts to make a donation to Landirani. A big thank you to Marie and Joe Chau for their contribution of \$3,417.60, Marie and Tony Knight who raised £220 and Pete and Colleen Webb for £520!



Heather and Nigel at Greenbelt.

Landirani at Greenbelt

Thanks to Nexus Fostering for funding our stall at Greenbelt Festival. We had a great time networking and spreading the word about Landirani, plus the stall raised £387.

Future events:

Amsterdam Half Marathon

Christine Burgess is running the Amsterdam Half marathon (13.1 miles) for Landirani on the 16th of October! You can support Christine by going to www.landirani.org!

Project4Africa events

P4A have a lot of upcoming events; Charity Cricket match in late September / early October, Race Night at The Wheatsheaf and Grand Raffle launch in November to name but a few. Find out about all of the events by going to: www.project4africa.co.uk

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<https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/thelandiranitrust>

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Appeal for Fundraisers

We are looking for people to organise events & fundraisers for Landirani in Autumn and Winter! Please get in touch if you are interested in helping us help Malawi.