

NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2020



Double click and listen to a group of children tell us about Covid 19 and what to do to keep safe

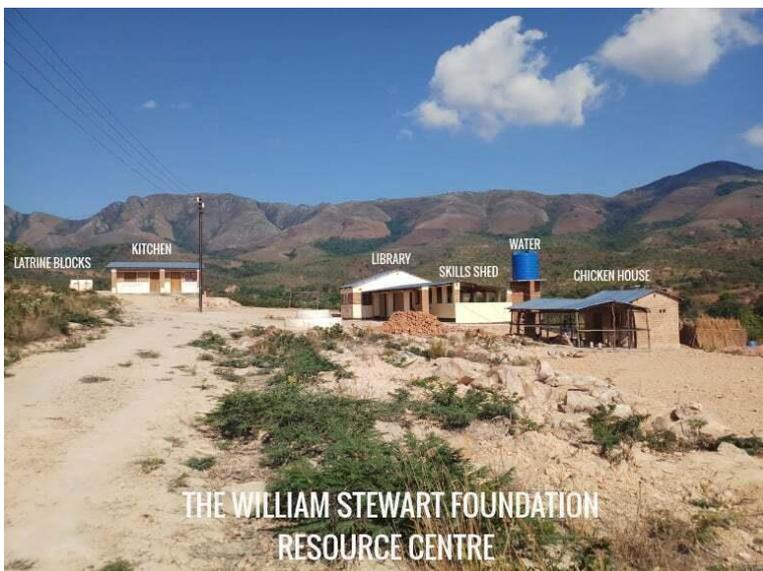


FOUNDATION CHOIR.mp4

Words

To those who died with Covid
Rest in peace! ×2
The world is crying for the loss
Rest in peace! ×2
Remember to wash your hands!
Keep social Distance!
Be safe!
Covid is real

When Levison and I launched the Foundation in 2017, little did we realise how quickly it would grow and the impact it would make on life in Ibuluma and the community in Northern Malawi, and generate interest and support from many people throughout the world.



We now have we now have a kitchen, stores, skills shed, library latrine blocks, chicken house, and goat kraal (not shown in the photo).

The most recent addition is the water tower. The old borehole, some distance away, was starting to dry up. Donors from many parts of world provided the money to dig a new well to supply fresh water for the Foundation and for the surrounding community.

These two videos give some idea of the joy of the well of life

Video one shows the joy of the adults collecting water and children tasting fresh water
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w2-md7u-kPQ&t=13s>

Video two shows three of the local chiefs enjoying the fresh water.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-8Jb4zYV4c>



Levison, Jane, Deborah and William

Levison and his wife Jane have added a son to their family. His name is William. It was a great honour for me that they should want to give him my name.



A Beacon of light

Money was donated to install electricity which benefits the Foundation and the whole community



THE VEGETABLE FARM

In the vegetable farm we grow maize, groundnuts, soya beans, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, cabbage, carrots and other vegetables which help Levison and a small army of volunteers every week to feed any number up to 700 children, who come from miles around, many of them orphans, and for whom the meal they receive is possibly the only substantial meal they will have in their week.



Feeding the children

In addition to the feeding programme, the children are taught crafts and life skills



Anock learning bricklaying



Sewing machine class



Knitting class

Sewing machines, material and wool were donated by supporters in the UK and shipped to Malawi by the Banana Box Trust (BBT). We send parcels of clothing and an assortment of other items to Malawi two or three times a year. Levison hires a lorry to collect the boxes from Ekwendeni but we are hoping that before long we will be able to have our own Foundation transport. We thank the BBT for their support. <https://www.bananaboxtrust.org/>

All work and no play...



Who doesn't enjoy swings?



DANCE EXERCISE.mp4

Click twice

Thanks to Dorchester Town Youth Football club in England who donated strips, the football team boys who decided to call themselves The William Stars are so proud in their new kit. Next aim – football boots.



Football team then



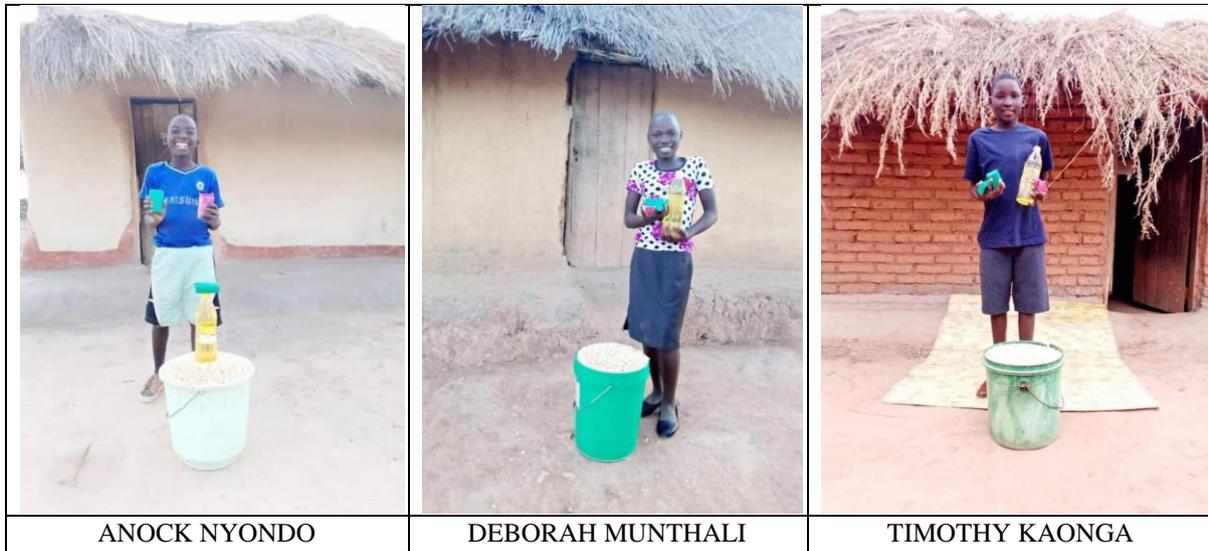
Football team now



Some of the nursery children in uniform sent by a donor. They were so proud of their first ever new clothing that they wanted to keep the labels on for the photos.

Many children would not be able to continue their education and the girls might be pushed into prostitution or early marriage against their wishes without the sponsorship of people around the world. I thank all those who are sponsoring children and young people to be the best they can be so that they can achieve their goals and realise their dreams.

These are just three of those young people pictured after Levison had been on outreach to take them food and essentials; others sponsored and in need can be seen on our website under 'How You Can Help': 'Sponsor a Child' www.williamstewartfoundation.org



We must not forget there are also the people who assist the children's animal teams in looking after the animals and the nightwatchmen who keep the Foundation premises safe.

I thank all of you, who have so generously donated to make the Foundation what it is today. Levison and Jane, Sarah and Mary and many others who make up a small but vigorous team of volunteers; the ladies and gentlemen who help to feed the children and teach them skills; and all those who work tirelessly to raise money and promote the Foundation.

A merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

William

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C41q5YLnF10>

