

Kachele Farm



Deep in the heart of the Copper Belt in Zambia lies a beautiful plot of land. It isn't just the large Kachele trees, Mango trees, and other vegetation that makes it beautiful but rather the spirit of community, togetherness, and hope that rests there.

The Context

The vision of Hands at Work is to see the church caring for the most vulnerable in Africa. In Zambia, Hands at Work operates local offices (Service Centre) in three regions: Kabwe, Luanshya, and Kitwe. These operations in Zambia follow the Hands at Work model development process developed across Africa:

1. Identify the Poorest of the Poor communities, including the key local leaders (aka Mother Theresa)
2. Map and understand the community
3. Mobilise the Church around Mother Theresa
4. Equip and train local care worker team
5. Create a Community Care Plan (eg. What's God's dream for this community?)
6. Support further development of leadership and the delivery of care to most vulnerable

The Vision of Kachele Farm

There is a vision for Kachele farm that is rich with hope. It is a place of agricultural production which will make the farm self-sustainable. With the large quantity of land, food can actually be grown and sold in local markets, as well as distributed to nearby communities to supplement orphan feeding programs. It is also a place to develop agricultural models and methods to be used in the communities Hands is working in. These are communities of which agriculture reflects low inputs. The farm is currently in full swing of this.



The second part of the vision is for a place where the Hands community can live. In South Africa, the Hands Hub is a piece of land where families from all over the world live in community together as they carry out God's heart together for reaching the most vulnerable. This is the vision also for Zambia and Kachele Farm is the perfect place to do it. "We are before we do" is a saying that goes around often. It means we must live it ourselves first before influencing communities around us to do the same.

Current Happenings

Out of a Hands community at Kachele flows a base for visitors and teams, workshops and training for local Community Based Organisations (CBO), and even a warm safe environment to bring kids from local communities to enjoy an educational and loving camp. There have currently been multiple camps a year for children, as well as approximately 8 visiting teams a year stay at Kachele and serve in communities. Even recently, Hands hosted a training on Walking With Wounded Children, which involved many key CBO leaders in Zambia, Malawi, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, and Democratic Republic of Congo.



We thank you for your incredibly generous gift. Because of your generosity, we are able to acquire ownership of Kachele Farm and fully accomplish our vision. This farm is now and will continue to be home for many people, a refuge for the broken, a place of innovation and provision, and a foundation to build upon and bring change.



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