

Fourteen dedicated local volunteer Care Workers, coordinated by Besta, support the most vulnerable children in the community of Fosa. The love and care they provide ensure that each child is physically, emotionally and spiritually cared for.



Today, 12-year-old Harold* lives in Fosa, but this community has not always been his home. Five years ago, his parents divorced and two of his three siblings were taken to live with other relatives, whilst Harold was brought to live in Fosa with his mother, Ellen*, and youngest brother. Longing to provide for her children, Ellen tries to find odd jobs in the community but is rarely successful in earning enough to adequately provide for them. Thankfully, there are a group of men and women in Fosa who are committed to holistically caring for children just like Harold. Although he has only been coming to the Life Centre since March 2023, Care Worker Bester has developed a positive relationship with Harold and shares that he is a well-behaved boy. Pray for Harold, that he will see the Life Centre as a second home and the Care Workers and other children as another family.

Community Update

Although the Care Workers in Fosa know the children by name and care deeply for their wellbeing, they struggle with consistently visiting them in their homes and with meeting together for Relationship Groups – a safe place to share their challenges, hear the word of God and pray together. Understanding these challenges, the local Hands at Work team in Lobi is spending time with the Care Workers, sharing the importance of Holy Home Visits and Relationship Groups.

This year, the Care Workers have stepped up and are taking full ownership of the pre-school programme at the Life Centre. The Care Worker responsible for leading the programme has been intentional about developing relationships with each of the children. Another highlight for the Fosa CBO has been the new land that they are operating from. It is a safe place where the Care Workers and children can gather for the daily Life Centre activities.



Activities and Projects

As food prices fluctuate throughout the year, the local team did a bulk purchase to save costs and to ensure the children get the proper nutrition they need each day. The bulk purchase consisted of maize, peanuts, rice and other non-perishable items that will be used to feed the children throughout the year (pictured left). A container was purchased to store the food securely, and this will be kept in Fosa, which is central to all of the communities the Lobi team supports. As part of the commitment to caring for the health of the children, deworming medication has been purchased and distributed to each child – ensuring that they can receive the proper nutrients from each of their daily meals.

