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“If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

African proverb

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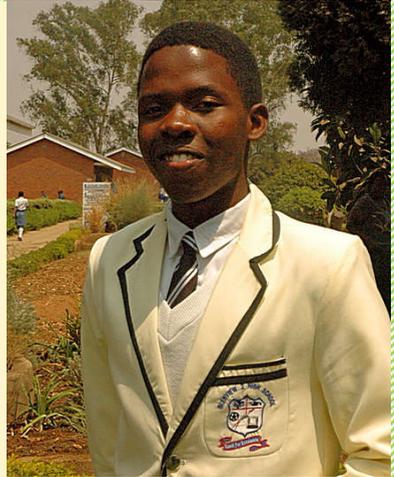
All eight of the Glen View students we support have gained entry to either University or College

It has been a joy to see these youngsters progress so well over the last year. Then, they were preparing for the A levels and all, with the exception of one, passed their exams, the eighth achieving O level passes at A level. This has allowed all of them to apply for college and University under the guidance of their guardian, Rev Mlambo.

We believe that, with such capability, and having had so much struggle in their personal lives to reach this point, it would be a tragedy not to help them progress through college and give themselves the finest springboard they can get into the future - a degree or a diploma in a subject of their choice.



Let me tell you a little about some of them. Nicholas (right) was head boy of Glen View School last year with 1400 pupils, whilst Mary (below) was a senior prefect. Considering the start they have both had in life, I think that is quite remarkable. Nicholas wants to study at the School of Mines and enter that fast growing sector, whilst Mary wishes to go



to Chinhoyi University to study Biotechnology. Polite Shara (not pictured) is going to the University of Zimbabwe to study Pharmacy. She achieved the highest marks with an ABB. Fortunate Kambuzuma (below) will be studying Supply Chain Management at Chinhoyi University.

Thambiso Chimsonde will be studying Tourism and Hospitality Management at Midlands University. Marshal Chidewa and Takunda Musiwa will attend Harare Polytechnic and Obey Manyere will also attend the School of Mines with Nicholas. The cost is £9000 a year, totalling £36,000 over four years. Can you help?



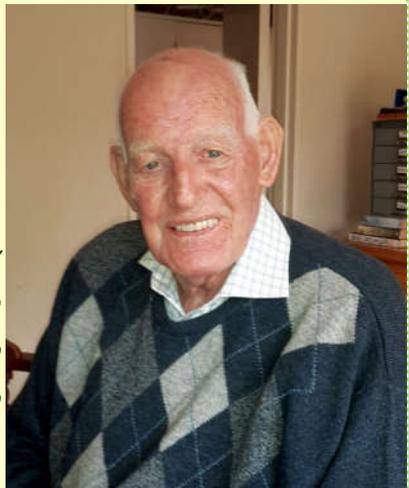
Compensation for former farmers is on the table - and Mnangagwa appears set to give it his full support

After many years of hard work keeping a conversation going with members of the Zimbabwean Government and all the key donor organisations, John Laurie has kept the compensation issue alive. When others told him it was a waste of time, he kept going, and kept talking to everyone.

Meanwhile, the farm database that Valcon has put together is remarkable and The World Bank have several times said that they have never seen anything quite so comprehensive anywhere else in the world. As you will know, we as ZAWT have assisted John and his team to keep going and to build the database that has taken so much painstaking work.

Negotiation; Whilst the Govt and donors are willing to talk, there is still a lot of negotiation required to achieve the very best pay-out for all. John and his team (the Compensation Steering Committee) are working hard at this. There are many former farmers in Zimbabwe and around the world who are desperate for compensation to become available as soon as is possible.

"Valcon and the CSC are doing all they can to try and ensure that we get the best deal possible for farmers who have waited so long for a result. Many are now in a state of real financial stress."



Borradaile Trust remains on the ZAWT wish list

In the past, ZAWT has been able to assist the retired farmers and their wives at Borradaile Trust and our last major input was to finance the new Alarm and CCTV system in the Frailcare centre which we are told has made an enormous difference to those who live there.

Sadly we have not had the funds to offer any support recently as our budget has been very tight but with an increase in funding, we hope very much to be able to renew our efforts for these pensioners. We note the following from their website;

“With help from kind donors, we have managed to renew some of the water reticulation, and part of the electrical distribution but there still remains a tremendous amount of other plumbing and electrical renovation to be carried out.”

More work is clearly needed, so we hope in the coming months, funds allowing, that we can assist once more to keep the Trust going so that they can continue to serve the local agricultural community effectively. Even if the Government promises compensation, it will all take time to happen—these things always do—so we need to help where we can.



Musha Wevana continues to provide an excellent home for displaced children



Peterhouse Girls school pupils playing with the orphans at Musha Wevana

Musha Wevana continues to provide an excellent home for so many displaced children from the Marondera area. With over 80 orphans of various ages, the staff do an amazing job of looking after them all, offering them a real home and ensuring their education until the age of 18. They are bright-eyed and interested and if you ask, they have great aspirations for their lives ahead. ZAWT has once again been able to help them over this last year which has been very satisfying, as they really do so much good work.



Some of the children at Musha Wevana, and Pastor John Chinyowa with Karen Barrie who runs the Peterhouse Musha Club which visits the orphans every Monday afternoon.

The Trenance families in poverty near Bulawayo continue to benefit from ZAWT's support



Working closely with the Lions Club of Khumalo, ZAWT has been assisting these families now for many years. Initially the project began with Juliet Rickwood of Lions running a once-a-week

feeding programme for up to 250 children. This became unwieldy and so a new approach was introduced—that of determining which families were most at risk and providing them with a monthly allowance of food to ensure that the whole family and not only the children, benefitted from the experience. Under the guidance of Mrs Sanderson, an amazing lady living in Trenance, the project continues.



How can I continue to support ZAWT?

There are five ways by which you can support ZAWT's work

- Make a regular monthly gift by **standing order**
- Make a gift donation by **text**. Dial 70070. Text ZAWT11 £10 (or a lesser amount). Donations can only be in the amount of £1, £2, £3, £4, £5, and £10.
- Make a one-off gift by **cheque** (use enclosed envelope or Freepost address)

Make a monthly donation **online** or a one-off gift at www.zawt.org

- Make a gift donation by **transfer** to our Bank account; ZAWT, CAF Bank, Sort Code 40-52-40, Acc No. 00019818

However you give, if you are a UK taxpayer, please don't forget to **Gift Aid it**. That way ZAWT can claim tax back from HMRC.

Please complete the **Gift Aid declaration** and send it to; Freepost RTCG -YHRA-SYAE, ZAWT, 20 Green Street, Sunbury on Thames, Middle-

A standing order in multiples of one pound a week

Please would you also consider setting up a **standing order**. Such support makes it easier for us to plan our work and also enables us to respond to crises as they occur.

We would like to suggest an idea which may appeal to you. By contributing in multiples of a pound a week, **i.e £52, £104, £156, £208, £260 or more per annum**, it is easier to work out exactly what you are giving, making the whole experience much more satisfying.

The standing order mandate can be found on the reverse side of the ZAWT letter that accompanies this newsletter.

One way you could really help us is to pass this information on to any contacts you may have. If you would like an electronic version, contact us on info@zawt.org and we will forward one to you immediately.

