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FINAL REPORT INT-0000022389

COUNTRY: Tanzania

GOAL: Improve shelter for 23 beneficiaries from TZ0600, TZ0612 and TZ0850

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1. IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

This intervention was designed by the three Front Line Church partners to solve shelter issue among 23 beneficiaries. From these three FCPs, the selected beneficiaries had the worst living conditions compared to the rest and this affected their wellbeing and development. As part of ministry to the children, the churches decided to ask for resources to help these families have improved shelter.

In the progress report, the churches had done inception meetings to clarify expectations and plan for implementation. Land ownership for each family had been verified, beneficiaries to be supported had also been verified, vendors for construction and supply of construction material had been identified through a thorough procurement process, and all the 23 houses had started to be constructed and reached at different stages. By the time of progress report, 17 beneficiary houses had reached finishing stage, 4 were on roofing stage while 2 at walling stage.

Currently, all the 23 houses have been completed and families moved in. At TZ0600, Shabani's room was constructed from scratch and followed by repairing of the grandmothers house. The project staff and committee members visited the site with the builders, and the pastor and they were able to decide how the houses would be built with the funds available and the nature of the site, which is rather a small piece of land. Project committee members were supervising the construction process carefully through site visit and oversight on verification of the delivered building materials, they made sure that the houses were finished as it was expected.

The church was also able to buy for Shabani and his grandma a bed, mattress and the bedsheets, pillow, blanket, board-locker for his clothes, a table, and a chair. And the grandmother's house repair was finished on June 2021.

At TZ0612, by Feb 23, all the 17 houses had been constructed by 100%. The pastor, church elders, project committee and child ministry workers visited the finished houses with the builder for final inspection to ensure everything has been built as agreed and the builder has completed work as agreed in the construction contract. This was the final opportunity to correct anything including unfinished areas. All the families moved in already.

Project handover

This is the moment everyone especially the beneficiaries and families had been waiting for. Pastor and all child ministry stakeholders went to every house and handed over to the family. It was a good time to hear from beneficiaries and caregivers who were very excited. The church thanked caregivers for their cooperation and families thanked the church for their support. The pastor handed the keys to beneficiaries. This final stage was reached on 25th February, 2021.

At TZ0850, all the five houses have been completed. Beneficiaries and their families are very happy and excited about their new homes.

2. IMPACT

Shabani's life has changed for better. He no longer has to sleep in the same room with his sister, he doesn't have to sleep out of the home anymore. He is also happy because his room now looks neat, all his clothes are in a closet/locker, he has a comfortable bed and a table to put his stuff and do his person studies on it. Also his habit of hanging out with bad friends has changed as he has a comfortable home to stay when he gets back from school. He also attends program days more regularly compared to his situation before.

Shabani's grandmother's life has also changed positively. He is happy that he can take care of Shabani and monitor his schooling and the company he keeps. She is also comfortably taking care of her other grandchildren in her renovated house.

At TZ0850, one of the caregivers, seeing the love of God through what the church has done for her family, gave her life to Christ and the church is helping her in her walk in the Lord. The relationship between caregivers, the children and project staff has improved tremendously. Caregivers and the beneficiaries are motivated more to pray for sponsors because of the significant way they have touched and changed their lives.

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At TZ0612, each house has three bed rooms; one for caregivers, one for female children, another for male children. There is also one sitting room for the family to eat, pray and talk together. These houses are very safe, families are not in danger of wild animals like hyenas, or thieves like before. Previous houses were about to fall, full of holes and put families in danger. Since the houses are spacious, it has become easy to clean them. So, they no longer have to live in a dusty home and children are free from respiratory infections.

Beneficiary from TZ0612 (David Paskali Saltus) said: "Now I can sleep in my own room. In the past, I used to sleep with my parents which was not comfortable for me. Now that i have my own room, I can study at the sitting room or in my room. I bless Church leaders and supporters in Jesus Name."

3. INTERVIEW WITH THE PASTOR

Naam: Judith Jumapili Kiula

How have the lives of the affected beneficiaries been changed since the intervention's completion?

Through this house building project, we have observed great changes on the beneficiaries and their caregivers in particular. One of the caregivers has given her life to Jesus. This is the mother of Irene Peter Mwalingo. It has also steered more love, cooperation and a better relationship among child development staff and beneficiary families in general.

How has this intervention benefitted the church/ICP/community?

This house building for five beneficiaries has brought great respect to the church. It has proven that the ministry really changes lives. The church has seen the importance of giving to support the needy. It has contributed to the increase of church members.

How has this intervention affected your ability to minister to the beneficiaries?

It has given us the strength to continue serving the children because our work is practically proven to be fruitful to the community. It makes us happy as beneficiaries' needs and difficulties are solved.

What would you like to say to those who provided the financial support for this intervention?

Thank you very much for supporting the beneficiaries we are ministering. Their lives have improved because we are always praying. We pray this will not be in vain and that God will pay them in due time.

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4. INTERVIEW WITH A BENEFICIARY

Name: Glory Yusuph (answered by her grandmother)

What was your life like before the intervention was implemented?

It was hard living in a small poor house of one room. The room was divided by a curtain and it accommodated ten of us. I have both boys and girls of different ages and all lived in that small room. Weather conditions always affected us. We could not sleep when it rained because the roof was leaking. The room was too small for beds, so, we had to sleep on rags on the floor. We thank God for this sponsorship and we pray for many blessing to those who donated for us.

How has your life changed now that this intervention is complete?

We are now living in a good house of three rooms and big enough windows. I sleep in my room, boys and girls in their separate rooms. We are now very happy as we are sure to be safe in either cold or hot weather. My grandchildren can have their privacy now.

What will this change mean for your future or the future of your family?

It means a lot to me and my grandchildren because as they grow up, they become

more confident and happy. Living in this condition guarantees us better health and hygiene.

What lessons have you learned from this intervention?

I have learned that God can intervene in any circumstance no matter how it looks like and so we should never lose hope. This is because I have been living here in this poor house for more than fifty years.

What would you like to say to those who provided the financial support for this intervention?

We are very grateful to our sponsor and we are praying for them.

5. PHOTOS



Shabani in his new room studying on the table that the church bought for him. He feels comfortable in his own room and he has quality time doing his personal studies.



One of the houses at TZ0612 completed and ready for the family to move in. All the houses were built with three bedrooms and a sitting room.



Irene Peter's family house from TZ0850. The houses at this FCP have two bedrooms and a sitting room.



As part of housing improvement, all the five houses at TZ0850 were installed in solar power for lighting and charging phones. This increased the joy of these families because they no longer have to light kerosine lamps.



A completed house at TZ0850. The family is happily living in it. The beneficiary's father is so grateful for the support and he says, his children can live in a descent environment now.



Beneficiary number TZ061200048 lived in a mud wall house with sheep, goats, chicken and cows. Now that they have a new nice house, the animals live in the old house.



These children live with their parents. The parents had started building a house but could not finish it but because of financial problems, they lived in that unfinished house. Now that the church has helped them finish it, they live in a nice safe house.



A caregiver of beneficiary number TZ061200174. She has a family of two, just her and her daughter. Her husband passed away years ago. They lived in a poor mud house. Now that she has a new house, she is very happy.



Beneficiary number TZ061200098 lives with her grandmother. The grandmother gave the piece of land to the beneficiary. They lived in a mud house with their animals. The house was very poor such that a hyena ate a goat sometimes ago. It was leaky and they were not safe at all when it rained. The new house has given them new hope and joy.



Glory Yusuph, her siblings and their grandmother chilling outside their new house. They are all very happy to live in an improved house now.