



*Caring for the widows and  
vulnerable children of  
Kantalomba, Zambia.*



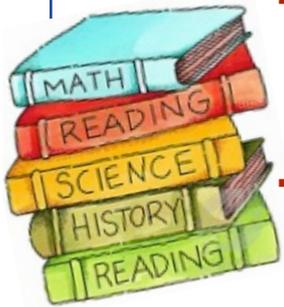
# OLCM News

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## Every Child Deserves an Education

‘People agree that all children have the **right** to an education. But investing in education is also the **smart** thing to do. Why? Because education gives people the skills they need to help themselves out of poverty and into prosperity.’



- **Improved Health:** With education, people are better prepared to prevent disease and to use health services effectively. For example, young people who have completed primary education are less than half as likely to contract HIV as those with little or no schooling. Educated mothers have healthier children.
- **Higher wages and economic growth:** In many poor countries, with each additional year of schooling, people earn 10% higher wages. These earnings, in turn, contribute to national economic growth. No country has ever achieved continuous and rapid growth without reaching an adult literacy rate of at least 40%.
- **Democracy and political stability:** Education supports the growth of civil society, democracy, and political stability, allowing people to learn about their rights and acquire the skills and knowledge necessary to exercise them.’

Help us improve a nation. For just **\$25**  
a month you can sponsor a child in  
Kantalomba Zambia. This money helps  
them buy a uniform, books and provides a  
meal each day.

**If you can help out, please contact Jenny  
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## Introducing Joseph Nyirenda

Secretary/Treasurer, OLCM Zambia

Joseph is the firstborn in a family of 13, born on May 31, 1977. He is the father of three beautiful children.

He has an interest in computing and has done some studies in that area and would

love to do more. This has helped him greatly as he has taken on the treasurer's role for OLCM. He also undertook construction management at Mobile Mission Maintenance and this has been invaluable in the building and maintenance of projects at the OCLM farm.

Joseph has a passion for working with the poor in his community. This passion developed as a result of his own upbringing in Malawi. Joseph writes, "... they used to chase us from school with my cousins because we hadn't paid school fees... Sometimes even if you went to school, knocking off time was something that you wouldn't want to think about, because you won't find any food at home..." As he returned to Ndola things were slightly better but when he finished school he would have loved to have had an opportunity for further study but lack of funds prevented this.

His experience as a child reflects now in his desire to be a part of Oasis Life Care Ministries, to help make a difference in the lives of orphans and widows. He says, "the whole experience of my life has made me understand that if you helped someone who is in need, the words such as 'thank you' and 'May God bless you' really touches God's heart and what we don't know is how that person feels about it. Their gratitude is what makes God think about you as well... Sometimes we think that if we contributed a little coin or helped out someone with a little gift it won't be much, well if that's what we think then we are mistaken, because it makes a really big difference in an orphan's life. With God every little gift multiplies. (Matt 14:17-21).

My same life experience has made me understand what the Bible says, 'Do unto others as you would want them to do to you'. My question has been *How would I feel if my children were orphaned, have no food, no education, no shelter, no one to show them the love and care I can give them as a parent?*

Don't you think the widows and orphans in our society also deserve equal opportunities of a better life? Let us show them that we are the second parents ... that will love and take care of them in place of their lost parents..."



## New Life at Kantalomba...

This is Memory's baby daughter (pictured with her elder sister), born on June 10<sup>th</sup>. She is pictured here in a T-shirt and a jacket and bonnet. These are all the clothes this baby has. She is also in desperate need of a small mosquito net to prevent her getting bitten and getting malaria. Malaria is the biggest killer of small children in Zambia. If you can help out in a small way to get some clothes, washing powder and a mosquito net for this baby or any others born in the future please go to our website and donate. Use the reference 'Memory'.

[www.oasislifecareministries.org](http://www.oasislifecareministries.org)

 **Christmas in Winter Dinner**  
Fundraising for ongoing work with the women and vulnerable children in Kantalomba Zambia



**When:** Sunday July 10th  
**Where:** Yeoman's Football rooms, Wivenhoe showground, Burnie  
**Time:** 6pm (prompt start)  
**Cost:** \$30 Adult \$15 student Children under 5 free  
**Drinks:** Available at the bar.

**Come and Enjoy:**

- A delicious 3 course Christmas Dinner
- The latest update from Oasis Care
- Join in with some creative new fundraising on the night (hint: bring plenty of gold coins)

**RSVP by Sunday July 3rd**

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Our next fundraiser is on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Come along and enjoy a delicious meal, raise some money, have lots of laughs and spend a few dollars to help us



*Congratulations to Lucy Clarke of Burnie on winning our thermomix raffle. Thanks to all who bought a ticket – we made just over \$2000*



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