

The First NEWSLETTER Kambo Foundation

Why a **NEWSLETTER**? Kambo is on the move. We have many different activities and with each activity developments quickly follow. And what is very exciting: our network is constantly expanding. Everyone can of course visit the website www.stichtingkambo.nl, but we can also visit you every now and then with this newsletter and provide you with the latest news, twice a year.

Corona stops the world for a moment

Our last trip to Zambia was cancelled due to the Corona crisis. But Kambo still has digital contact with Zambia. Fortunately, in December we were able to hand over some iPhones and a laptop from one of our sponsors to our local manager, **Charles Zulu**. Charles lives near the main road and has electricity and reception. That helps. He reports weekly on how things are going.



The schools have been closed since mid-March. We don't know when they will open again. In general, there are few Corona infections in Zambia and 7 deaths so far. There are no known cases in the Eastern Province, but the movement restrictions applies to the entire country. We cannot enter from the Netherlands and we will not be able to send materials for a while.

Chiutika School

The Crowdfunding via **Triodos Give the Change** for Chiutika Basic School was a great success. The required funds for all teaching materials for the next ten years has been raised. The school has been a participant in our project since last January. Teachers now have access to posters, folders and teacher cards and other materials for the two Grade-2 classes. The teachers are being trained by **Charles Zulu**.

In addition to the Chiutika school, two other schools started in January 2020. A new crowdfunding is currently underway via Kambo's own website. For one of those schools, Matula Secondary School, a charitable foundation has already donated € 1500. So the school project is going very well. We know that more schools are eager to participate in the project. We may be able to expand again next year.

The Pilot Schools

Three of the five original pilot schools in Mfuwe (Katemo, Kakumbi, Mwandakwisano, Chiwiwatala and Uyoba) have now been adopted by a Dutch sponsor. The sponsor finances all the materials that the schools will need under LOGO 2000, now and in the near

future. Sponsors also contribute to the promotion of expertise of the teams. For the financing of the two remaining schools, Kambo is now in consultation with several charity funds.

Results

In 2019, assessments were made at the five pilot schools for the 3rd consecutive year for the classes that follow LOGO 2000. A fixed schedule is followed per trimester and the children learn about 120 new words in three months. Repetition is part of the schedule. Teachers introduce new posters and cards every week. Those who want to know how the lessons are carried out can find recordings on our website. Every term we test



the students (maximum 50 students per grade per school) with a selection of 24 words from the trimester package. Results are shared with the teachers and evaluated during training and mid-term meetings. The school and teacher with the best annual results each receive a Certificate of Excellence from the District Education Board Secretary of Mambwe District. For an overview of the results, see www.stichtingkambo.nl/bulletin-board/

School Language Academy

The School Language Academy (SLA) was formally established in August 2019 and was included in the NGO Register of Zambia. The Kambo Foundation has collected money and **Triodos Foundation** and **Wilde Ganzen** have added donations to it. **Wilde Ganzen** transfers that money to the Zambian bank account of SLA. Meanwhile, the first assistant teacher trainers, who have been nominated by the joint schools, are being introduced and trained under the guidance of **Charles Zulu**. In the Netherlands, work is being done on the

curriculum and training folders. When Kambo returns to Zambia, the SLA office will be set up. Crates full of second-hand office supplies have now arrived in Mfuwe. Soon the SLA Logo will be shown on the Kambo site. In this way, it will become an established education supporter in Mambwe District. During 2020, the new teachers participate in the entire training project (theory and practice), which will conclude with an assessment. The teachers receive a training certificate.

Katemo School

Katemo Basic School is a distant school with poor facilities, especially because the population in this remote part of the country has hardly any money for school fees. With the help of Zambian, Dutch and British donations, some additional facilities have been installed: 25 new school benches, a water well in the schoolyard, steel picnic tables, lockable cupboards for a school library, second-hand books from England and allowances for two



volunteers (teachers in training) who open the school library every Saturday. The librarians read aloud to the children and encourage them to read themselves. The children visit the library in turns by class. Kambo Foundation has started a collection for a new school block. Construction drawings and a budget have been made. We hope to start construction in 2021.

Acknowledgement

We would like to thank all sponsors and donors for their contributions and other forms of support. We continue do our very best to help the children and schools of Eastern Zambia to achieve a better future. We cannot manage this without you. Thank you!

The Board of Kambo Foundation & Marianne and Simon Verhallen