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YOUR Monthly Care Package

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October was very exciting as it brought the launch of the new daily orphan program at Isubilo Lya Bana Center in Mansa, Zambia. In the Bemba language, Isubilo Lya Bana means “Hope for the Children” and that is exactly what has filled those four walls! A building that sat empty for the last two years is now filled with bursts of laughter, joyous singing, and splashes of color.



Because of the varying school schedules in the villages that surround the center, there are two sessions each day Monday through Friday. Thirty five children come in the morning then head off to school with full bellies. Another forty come in the afternoon after they finish school.



With two shifts and 75 children to be cared for, it takes a big team of volunteers. The people of Mansa have shown great love for the orphans with over 15 regular volunteers donating their time to cook meals and teach the children. They help the children with their school work, lead bible study, play games, and teach life skills and job skills.

Remember those somber orphans
you saw in September's Newsletter?
They are gone!!



Thanks to generous donors, we have 2 new tables for the children to eat at and work on - and a sewing machine! The children were very excited to be learning a skill they could use as a source of employment and it was wonderful to see the pride on their faces as they mastered it.



These little ones, Maggie and Gift, each received a new pair of shoes and soon they will have a table to eat at that will be just right for them. A third table, smaller in size, is being made.



The new well is in!

These children are enjoying their first drink of clean water at the orphan center in Mansa.

Thanks to the students of Twin Lakes Elementary School in Aptos, California who spent a year raising the money to put in a well and water tank, these children can smile knowing this water will not make them sick.

Be a part of it! It's not too late to get involved in the amazing transformation that is going on in Mansa - the transformation of the building, the children's faces, their daily lives and their future! Sign up to sponsor a child. With only about 1/3 of the children in the program sponsored, we barely have enough funding to feed all 75 children and we cannot meet their other needs: buying school uniforms and shoes, school fees, health care fees, and program supplies such as paper, pencils, chalk, crayons, balls, books, etc. Please consider sponsoring a child at \$35 a month and next month when you see the smiles, you will know you helped to put them there!

How do I sign up and pay each month? There are three options:

1. Send a check each month to AFnet, Inc. 3630 Charter Park Drive, San Jose, CA 95136. With your first check, include a cover letter stating that you wish to sponsor a child in Mansa. You will receive a receipt each month that includes a payment slip for the next month.
2. Email us at Info@afnetaid.org and we will send you a form to fill out so that the amount can be deducted automatically from your account each month without the hassle of writing a check, stuffing envelopes, or licking stamps!
3. Use your credit card and PayPal online at www.AFnetAid.org. Using the Donate button on the left of the web page, click on "Monthly". Fill in the amount you would like to donate each month. Click on Donate. PayPal will automatically charge your credit card each month until you say to stop.

