

AQUAID LIFELINE NEWS

FROM MALAWI, THE WARM HEART OF AFRICA

FROM INFANCY TO ADULthood! AQUAID LIFELINE IS COMMITTED TO CARING FOR ORPHANS AND NEEDY CHILDREN FROM EARLIEST DAYS TO MATURITY.

SCHOOLDAYS AT NAMISU ORPHAN VILLAGE



Hands up if you know the answer! I do, says a pupil in our nursery class.



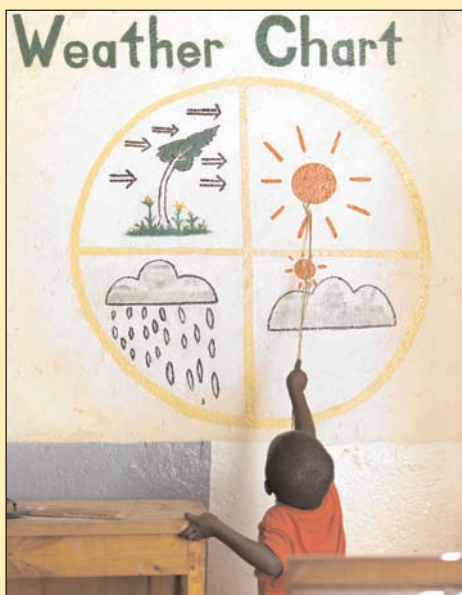
So do we! Children from Standard 1 ready to share.



Eager to learn - keen to show what they know.



Looks like she's the clever one! We're happy to give all our children the chance of a bright future.



The sun lights the earth and its power pumps our water and irrigates our fields & its energy even lights our village at night!

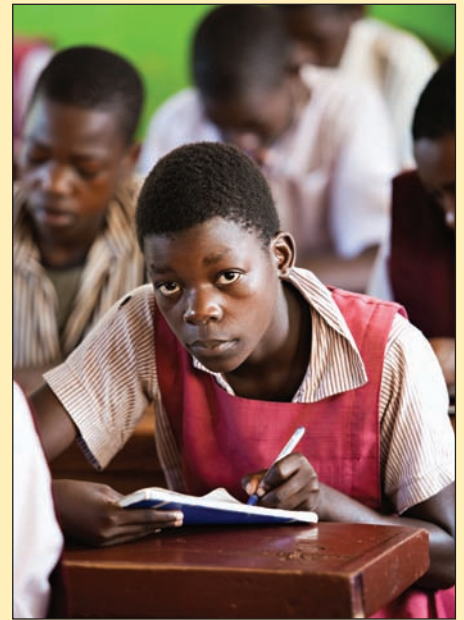


Happy and confident but where would some of our needy children have been had we not given them hope?

AND AS TIME GOES BY.....



At **Aquaaid Lifeline** girls are given the same opportunities as boys. Our aim is to give them the benefits of self determination and dignity through training for a career.



If I concentrate and work hard who knows - I could be a Teacher, a Doctor, Architect..... but I know I must pay attention!



Our daily bread. 500 rolls baked daily in our oven made from an oil drum!
The verdict? Delicious!



Time for a chat and relaxation. Some of our lovely girls enjoy the family atmosphere of Namisu Orphan Village on the verandah of Chikonde House, which means 'house of love'



Learning to care. Two of our orphan girls give one of our disabled staff a helping hand on the last kilometre of her 7a.m. journey to work at Namisu Orphan Village.



After school - 4 of our boys, fit and healthy, ready for football. All these boys came to us in desperate circumstances of extreme poverty and ill health.

JOBS TO BE DONE.....



❑ **The landscaping squad!** A group of enthusiastic garden designers, eager to add to the beauty of our village, prepare to plant shrubs from our nursery



❑ Our Co-ordinator writes: *'On 28th April 2009, I received an E-mail which is surely a cause for celebration. It came from the young man opposite right, one of hundreds who have benefited from **Aquaaid Lifeline**'s scholarship and vocational training fund. I have printed an actual copy of the E-mail below'*

Hello John,

Wanted to let you know that I finished my University studies at Chancellor College in February. Am now working for Care Malawi in a research project on social protection. Am really thankful for the support you rendered to me throughout my studies.

I also have to report that my results came out last month and I passed. That means I am now a Political Scientist. You can see what you have achieved, taking someone off the streets who was a nobody and supporting him into being someone who is going to help in finding better ways of alleviating socio economic and political problems of one of the world's poorest countries. Hope we'll keep in touch. Without **Aquaaid Lifeline** there was no hope for me. Have a blessed day. Henry Chipata

BUSINESS TO ATTEND.....



❑ This is Yanjanane in his new wheel-chair. He learned metalworking skills during his time at Namisu Orphan Village. Helped by **Aquaaid Lifeline**, Yanjanane now runs his own business in nearby Lunzu, making and selling watering cans & containers, cooking pots etc.



❑ Two of our young men learning woodworking skills at our carpentry shop at Namisu, where tables, chairs, window frames, cupboards, wardrobes, dressers and even sofa suites are produced



SOME OF THE STAFF MEMBERS AT NAMISU ORPHAN VILLAGE



□ Mr Monjeza who, despite his disability has been a tireless and conscientious worker on our land since 1999.



□ One of the village house mothers gathers greens from our vegetable garden for the evening meal.



□ Mr Jumbe, now [Aquaaid Lifeline](#) head of all education initiatives, including two primary schools and nine daycare centres which accommodate 2000+ children, was previously a government headmaster, before being promoted to school inspector. In addition to his educational responsibilities, Mr Jumbe is a wonderful father figure to our children, whose faces reflect Namisu Village's atmosphere of security and happiness.

John Searle, [Aquaaid Lifeline](#) founder and co-ordinator writes "In 1999, I was asked exactly what kind of village I had in mind. The answer? Simple! - A happy and safe village".



Mr Malango, who is partially sighted, using solar pumped water to irrigate young plants.



A few of our disabled staff enjoying the use of new wheelchairs donated through the Be It Cure Hospital in Blantyre. We are all so grateful. John Searle says "Our so called disabled staff are among the most cheerful and uplifting people I've known".