



## **A New Generator**

*And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in  
Christ Jesus.*

**Philippians 4:19**

We are delighted to have been able to purchase a brand new generator which is currently being shipped to the Falconer Home. It is expected to arrive in Ndola on 17<sup>th</sup> April, and then transportation to the Falconer Home can be arranged. The provision of power to the Falconer Home has always been a major challenge. The generator currently being used is very old and unreliable. It was out of action for about two years before Simon managed to get it running again. In the



*The new generator*

meantime the Home has relied on a couple of small portable generators. The promise of mains power to Kabulamema remains unfulfilled, with no sign of it arriving any time soon. Solar power currently provides some lighting.

This new generator will be a huge asset to the Home. Not only will it power lighting and appliances, but will also enable running water to be re-established, as it will be able to run the water pump in the river.

We are so grateful to all our supporters who have made this possible through their generous giving, as well as, of course, their prayer support.



*The generator wrapped  
and ready to go*



*The generator has set sail on the 'Santa Rosa'  
bound for Durban*

# The 2020 Visit

At the time of writing, plans for a visit in 2020 are on hold, due to the coronavirus outbreak. We are monitoring the situation constantly, and will make a decision on whether the visit will go ahead in due course. At the moment Africa seems to be the least-affected continent, but several countries are reporting cases of infection, and this situation is changing daily. We will keep you updated on our website and Facebook page.

## 2019 DVD

A DVD of last year's visit, entitled 'A Hope And A Future', is now available. Please get in touch if you would like a complimentary copy. We can also supply DVDs from previous years on request.



## Drought in Zambia

You may have read about the drought which has impacted much of southern Africa, including Zambia, in recent months. The area around the Falconer Home



had no rainfall for a month during late December and early January, and with strong winds during that time the maize crop withered. Now that rain has returned, extra fertilizer is being applied to the crop to revive it. The rainy season is due to end around the end of March or beginning of April.

## Visits

Neil Stirling is available to give presentations about the Falconer Home and the work of the Trust. If you would like him to visit your church, midweek group, school or other meeting, please get in touch.



## Laptops

Simon has requested a number of laptops for use by those embarking on training courses. There is also a need for the children to have access to laptops, because although Computer Studies is on the school curriculum, the school does not have any computer equipment. If you have a laptop which is no longer used, and is in good working order, we would be very grateful to receive it. Ideally it would run

Windows 10 or Windows 7. It is most important to remember to remove all personal data from the laptop before sending it. Thank you!



## Repairs and Maintenance



The water tower at the Home is currently being repaired. Two of the four tanks have had leaks which have been mended, and the wooden platform on which they sit is being renovated with new timber. Once the new generator is installed this tower will be important in re-establishing running water in the main house.

A water tower is also being built at the farm, which will be able to provide all the water needs for the new houses and the

farm itself. Work is progressing well on building the houses and the accommodation for livestock.

## News of the Children

The children are reported to be well, apart from a few who have had eye infections. Medicine has been purchased to combat this, and the affected children are recovering.

There have been no new arrivals so far this year.

Following the last quarterly inspection of the Home, the staff were told that the rooms were overcrowded, and that space needed to be created so that new babies could be brought in. Ten of the oldest young people have therefore been discharged, and have gone to live with relatives. The current number of children at the Home is 57.

# Please Pray...

- ... for the safe arrival and installation of the new generator.
- ... for wisdom regarding the planning of a trip for 2020.
- ... for a successful harvest this year, following the effects of drought.
- ... for the repairs and maintenance taking place, including the water tower, and the work at the farm.
- ... for the health of the children, especially those who have had eye infections.
- ... for those who have left the Home and gone to live with relatives.

# Thank You

A very big thank you to all who have supported the work in some way, whether through prayer, finance, donation of goods or any other way. May God bless you richly for your efforts on behalf of the children.



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