



TLC December 2020 to March 2021 in Tabora, Tanzania

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Tabora League for Children: Working with orphans and vulnerable children and their families in 3 TLC Centres: Isevya, Ng'ambo and Chem Chem all within the Tabora Municipality.

If you would like to help please make a donation to: "Tabora League for Children" Barclays Bank, Sort code: 209748 A/C No: 63693430 or by card or Paypal on our website www.tlctanzania.org

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Christmas saw the children having a lovely meal, a bottle of pop and a little present including bubbles for some.

The families each got several big bags of food. All were very grateful to all those lovely donors who gave to the Christmas appeal.



New footballs / netballs also appeared at each centre, courtesy of a young UK football rising star, whose family sponsors a TLC lad.



Thank **you** all for making Christmas 2020 so special and for giving us a chance of a better future.





Water filter buckets and new mosquito nets were distributed early this year to keep the children healthy. The locally made filter buckets have a ceramic lining which has a special filtering material at its core. The drinking water filter buckets are for use at home. They are filled up by the water from street taps. One tap to 100 households. Tap water is not potable, but fine for cooking and washing. Tabora is a dry place and water does not flow all the time at the tap. Queues form rapidly as soon as the water starts to flow.



Mattress were given to those sleeping on cardboard. It's best to have a mattress so that the mosquito net can be tucked in. Several small children will sleep on each mattress.



There was a general distribution of a specific donation. In Isevyia toothbrushes and toothpaste were given. See children's reaction!



The Centres spent their part of the donation differently according to the pressing needs of the moment.

Return to school in January saw everyone kitted out and given the books they need. These two are seasoned boarders and happy to be returning.



These 3 day scholars below are moving up a year at their secondary schools



Looking gorgeous in their nursery uniforms



These twins are ready to start school, but not big enough to hold all their gear, so two attempts at the photo.



In some months of the year it gets chilly so everyone needs a jumper.





The December trip to Dar es Salaam to see medical specialists for 4 youngsters went well with 3 of them, left, having operations on their legs. The little group spent Christmas there and Magdalena, who accompanied them, arranged a special meal for them all.



Return visits will be needed every 3 months for two of the boys. Since their return in March we have heard that both now have increased and less painful mobility. Hadija, right, who spent a year in hospital in Ethiopia in 2018 having many operations to straighten her legs so that she could stand and walk, will need to go to Dar every year for new prosthesis while she is growing. Her life has been transformed. She is now able to attend regular school.

The eldest boy seen above, with his thigh to foot plaster, is finishing primary school next year and determined to pass his exams and be the first in his family to graduate. Thanks to everyone who donated to the Special Fund and making these trips possible. Treatment is ongoing and the fund is at <http://virginmoneygiving.com/fund/TLCMedicalHelp>

The YES Study and Enterprise book has been translated and printed so that the older children can learn how to run a business. Thanks to the author who shared his work freely. Many thanks to those who funded, translated into Swahili, and printed these books.



Some of our young bakers putting enterprise initiatives into practice with delicious results.



TLC keeps going because each child is **sponsored**. The sponsors send letters to their children and doesn't this youngster, left, look pleased that someone he has never met is prepared to help him? Every child has gone through difficult times, family deaths and illnesses, they have been hungry, wearing only rags, living during the rains under a roof that leaks. Malaria and typhoid are common, both can be fatal unless treated.

TLC, through you, provides good food and water daily, clothes, mosquito nets, a place at school, and hope for their futures.

Those who sponsor see the changes in their child, those who give for general expenses, or Christmas or Eid or specialist medical treatment, see a lot of smiles on Facebook, in the newsletters and website and know that their money is appreciated and well spent.

Sponsor needed for this sweet 10 year old girl, right, so she can join her siblings at TLC and help her disabled mum.

We also welcome **£10pm top up sponsorships** for children needing additional support.

Please email us if you'd like to join our sponsorship family.

Thank you.



Eid is in May this year and a couple of young people in London, one of them a TLC Trustee, would like to repeat their treat of a special dinner for the children this year, their fundraising page is

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/TLCEidFund202>

Many of the children are Muslim and we want them to be able to celebrate Eid joyfully with all the children welcome to share this special meal. The cost of an Eid feast per Centre is £200. Anisa and Anna write: *If we reach our target, we'll either set a new target to give the children new clothes as Eid gifts, or use the additional funds to sustain the general upkeep of the centres. Please continue to support the children and families*

in Tabora through the work of TLC! With thanks, love and Ramadan Kareem from Anisa and Anna

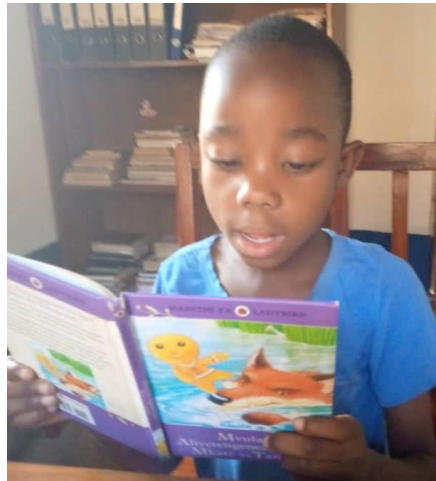
Anisa and Anna also set up a general giving Fund page for TLC see

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/TLCGeneralFund2021> and tell us what you want your money used for.

Both only open until 12th May.



Playing cards or draughts, a game of tag, reading, sleeping, computing, playing with dolls, all get a chance to relax and enjoy themselves with their friends after a great lunch, thanks to their hardworking cooks and, of course, thanks to you for keeping TLC going in your own very special and greatly appreciated way.



It was with great sadness that we just learned of the passing of Mr Alexander Ntonge our most experience Board Member. We pass on our sympathy to his family, friends, and the staff and children of TLC who have lost their good friend and advisor. May he rest in peace.

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