

THANK YOU
FOR
ENDING HUNGER
by



TRAINING

Providing Agriculture & Irrigation Training to Grow Food Year-Round



EQUIPPING

Providing Starter Packs & Irrigation Equipment to Increase Yields



PARTNERING

Supporting the Government, Organizations & Individuals to End Hunger

Have you seen this movie?
Find it on NETFLIX! Learn about Malawi and the need for Irrigation in this movie inspired by William Kamkwumba's true life story.



**“THE WINDMILL HAS BROUGHT WATER SO CLOSE THAT I CAN IRRIGATE THIS WHOLE PLOT WITHOUT CARRYING BUCKETS.”
-MR. LAYITANI**

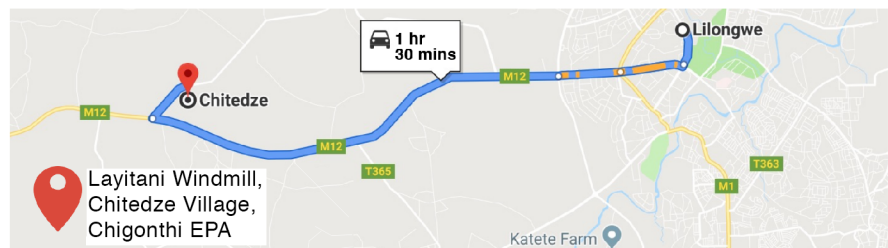
Lead Farmer Demonstrates Windmill Irrigation in Lilongwe Agricultural Fair

When Mr. Layitani joined the Chitedze Village Agriculture Club he could only farm a small portion of his land. He had no way to water his crops except to carry a bucket back and forth from a well. He would often perform back-breaking work for up to 8 hours a day just to grow food.

In September, Mr. Layitani starts his third year of training. He is a lead farmer in his village because he has invested so much hard work into his garden. He has demonstrated his understanding of the training he has received and the ability to lead and support his community. In the Chigonthi EPA, Mr. Layitani is the first farmer to receive a windmill out of 1,300+ farmers that are currently participating in agriculture clubs.

With windmill irrigation, Mr. Layitani's garden has more than doubled in acreage! As his garden grew, goats and other animals were drawn to it. So much so, that Mr. Layitani had to put up a perimeter fence to keep them out of his crop! The average cost of one windmill is K1,510,125 (\$2,100 USD). This is a huge investment into the life of the farmer, but he has proven his ability to work hard and steward the resources that he has to the benefit of his family and community.

Thank You for understanding the impact that irrigation can make towards Ending Hunger in Malawi!



What You Can Do!

Printing a newsletter is helpful - it gives you an opportunity to see the impact that you are making in the lives of others. We would invite you to give this away and introduce your friends to the meaningful work that is important to you! Share it with your family, friends, church, workplace, or book club! Make a Difference Together!

Zikomo!

This is a Chichewa word that is used mostly when someone has been a recipient of kindness or something really good. A very good word that shows gratitude. A team from Summit Church visited Chitedze village, they appreciated the farmers hard work and encouraged them. The farmers knew that because of this team and Summit Church,

HUNGER WAS NO LONGER A VISITOR TO THEIR VILLAGE!

These farmers faced a challenge that they could not deal with on their own. Hunger (Food Shortage) and Poverty are huge challenges that most communities in Malawi face. You provide & this team has provided a solution to these challenges. Now farmers in this area can harvest multiple times in a year increasing their food production for household use and income generation. This team represented to the farmers the people that are helping them to heal the poverty and hunger in their nation.

“Zikomo for visiting, Zikomo for your commitment to us and our nation!”



Thank You!

In Malawi, life expectancy is just 63 years. Mr. Zakeyu & Mrs. John are considered elderly and are among some of our oldest club participants. In June they each received a rope and washer pump. They can now irrigate their gardens without carrying water all day!

- + Increased Harvest
- + Increased Garden Size
- + Generates Income
- + Reduces Physical Stress
- + Gives Back Time
- + No Hunger Season
- + Food Security



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BEFORE:

Watering Cans were the only way to irrigate crops in the dry season. Farmers would water their gardens up to 5 hours each day.



AFTER:

It takes them @ 2 hours per week to irrigate their gardens!



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