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To GRACE
c/o The President Dr. Jens

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Reporting for things for the new project and answering other questions from the letter dated 22.10.2011

Dear Sir,

Firstly I want to thank all the members of GRACE in Germany for the help that they are doing here in the community of Chipunga. Hope that without GRACE as a small Charity organisation Chipunga could be worse. Chipunga is looking somek'how better because of GRACE for this the people and the workers from Chipunga farms are highly appreciate.

Seed maize

Thanks for allowing a new projects to come in. We were really nowhere to go to find money for buying seed maize. Of course we are working but just because of devaluation of Malawi Kwacha the salaries that we are receiving as of now is just nothing, we are even failing to make a budget for our families.

We bought the seedmaize last month 30.11.2011 and we distributed it to everybody who is working here, 28 workers. We bought 28 pkts of 5 kgs of seedmaize amounting to 56000MK. That means 5 kgs at 2000MK. Every body has planted his/her maize hope that this year we will have more yield.

We are planing to do a crop inspection tour this year, so that if one of us has not planted or she/he has sold fertilizer or the seed maize will be deducted the whole amount of the materials.

Schloarship

When I said about a term I was meaning that the school season in Malawi is divided into terms there are 3 terms/year.

For one term in Likoma for the winner of the scholarship this year we are paying 7,285.00MK and the other one from last year in Elangeni is paying 20,000/term so if you add together the total amount is 27,285. This is for one term. So if you multiply by three then the total amount is 81,855 MK /Year that is for 3 terms.

To distinguish with a certificate for the scholarship winner this is a very good idea of encouranging other. So that they should admire from our winners. But for this issue we didn't sit down yet. But I believe that when we will have a meeting with the people from the community is when we will do everything on that time.

David has changed the place he is at Kasungu now. He has been replaced by Matti. The reason for changing the place is that he want to stay near town so that he will be able to communicating with his parents/friends regularly.

Bakery

For the help from Lynn we have started baking breads.

Now we are in phase 4. The profits that we have made in 4 phases is just a little because the prices of bread flour are raising up every week. I think when the currency of Malawi will be stable we will be making more profits.

We can achieve more from this project because we are baking and selling here at the farm and within our community.

The people who are baking are the ones who were working at the youth chicken group. This is because the youth chicken group has a credit to B.Schwarz amounting to 20,000MK.

Now they are working in order to payback the money for him. If they have finishing paying this money is when we will also discuss again with them and find another way now we can proceed with our project. Maybe we can just say that the youth chicken group will change to bakery so that money that you sent to us for chicken revolving fund should go to bakery. This will be like this because I don't think that the chicken project will continue.

As of now the money that we have begin with has come from Lynn. We have just borrowed it from her, we will pay back in the coming months.

We have another chance from GIZ that if we have Projects that needs more we can ask by writting a proposals.

I hope we will meet in two weeks from now.

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Chairperson C.D.C.