



# Newsletter



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## Welcome

Welcome to Future Pillars' second newsletter. This comes with huge thanks from the Trustees for the generosity of so many people which has enabled the children at Kabwe to continue to be supported throughout the changeover and with good prospects for the future. In order to do this we had to reduce the feeding programme to 3 days a week but hope to resume 5 days as soon as possible. We have also had to defer an intake of sponsored students for Skills Training, but the centre has continued to operate with courses for a smaller number of fee-paying students, whose fees will help to support the cost of free students. We hope to re-start this programme after several of the trustees visit Kabwe (at their own expense) in May. Our local partners have economised as far as possible, raised some funds locally and planted a large garden to help with the feeding programme. The challenge is ongoing but, working together, we can achieve great things to give a future to children and young people who otherwise would have little to look forward to in 2018 and beyond.

## News from Kabwe

### General News

Thanks to your generosity the Kabwe programmes have continued much as before. The cabbages in the newly planted garden are growing well and will help restore feeding 5 days a week – while the sale of some of the surplus will fund the purchase of more seed.

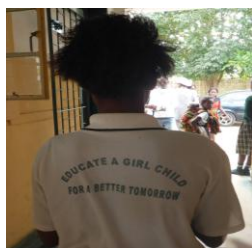
Text books have been supplied by Department of Education recently and several hundred pairs of plastic shoes have been donated by ZOCS , Zambia Open Community Schools ,an organisation which supports Community Schools offering education to Orphans and Vulnerable children.

An eerie hush descended on the site for exam weeks at the end of November and beginning of December, and the school and skills block are now on holiday until the start of the new school year in January.... though the sponsored students have been coming on site to use the library and receive extra tuitions.

### Sponsorship

In this edition, at the start of the Zambian school year, we focus on our sponsorship programme.

In December pupils in grade 9 sat the national exams, with results due in January. Family Futures Community School only goes up to grade 9, so any student wishing to complete secondary education to grade 12 needs to transfer to a government school, where fees have to be paid. Fees and uniform costs amount to about £150 a year per pupil for the 3 years of schooling- and have to be paid up front each year in January. For many students these costs are



## On line Donations

*Did you know that you can now donate on line to Future Pillars?*

- Log on to [mydonate.bt.com](http://mydonate.bt.com)
- Search for Future Pillars

*Or*

- Use this link to go straight to our page [mydonate.bt.com](http://mydonate.bt.com)

prohibitive, and their schooling ceases at this point.



We have a number of loyal sponsors who have provided funding for one or more students to complete grades 10 – 12 each year. It is tough for the students to move to new schools, but with hard work they can succeed, and we now have several who have progressed to tertiary education – and two who have qualified as teachers. We wanted to be able to take on another cohort in January 2018 and are grateful to the Drive Methodist Church in Sevenoaks who launched an appeal to raise £5000 to see a group of 10 students through their three years of schooling... and have raised £5730!



We look forward to selecting the lucky 10 students, and to placing them at local government schools. During the May visit Rosemary will meet these new students, together with those already in the programme. Once again she will visit the schools and discuss the students' progress with them, bringing back pictures and letters to share with us all.

## Our Website

Our website is now live!  
Visit us at  
[www.futurepillarszambia.org.uk](http://www.futurepillarszambia.org.uk)  
where you can read  
about our projects and  
news

## News from UK



Dorset based Bourne2Sing performed in Verwood in September 2017. This exceptional male voice choir regularly give concerts to raise money for good causes. It was FPZ's turn in September and the wonderful sum of over £1,500 was raised for the children of Kabwe.



Wimborne Methodist Church celebrated its 50th anniversary in September 2017 with an open day and concert featuring Jemima Phillips, former harpist to Prince Charles. Funds were donated to FPZ and we are very grateful indeed for the amount raised which exceeded £3,700.



38 people, including over 20 Launceston Roadrunners, attended an event at Peter and Fiona's McAughey's home in Cornwall. A presentation by Peter about FPZ was followed by a choice of 8 or 6 mile run or 3 mile walk. The sun shone and a meal and raffle/auction rounded off the day. Huge thanks from Peter to everyone who attended or donated.



Kathryn and Katie Barron entered the Thames Bridges Trek and each walked 25k for FPZ. Thank you to all friends, family and work colleagues who sponsored the 2Ks – many using BT my donate. We raised over £1500 for FPZ.

"Hedge End Salvation Army Church in Southampton invited Future Pillars to our recent women's breakfast. Twelve women enjoyed a breakfast of croissants, fruit and yoghurt. Afterwards we listened attentively to Rosemary as she told us about FPZ. Everyone was very moved with the amazing work being done and the donations received for breakfast that morning were given to the work of FPZ".

## Social Media



*Did you know that we are now on Facebook? Follow **Future Pillars Zambia** on Facebook to see news of events*

## Fundraise while you shop on line

[easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk)

- Log on to [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk)

- Search for Future Pillars

- Click to join us

- Start shopping

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- Then start shopping

## Easy fundraising

Do you shop on line?

Would you like to support us as you shop?

If you shop via the easyfundraising site, FPZ will receive a donation from the retailer – it's easy!

Instead of going straight to your store's website, you go to easyfundraising and search for them there. If you subsequently make a purchase the retailer pays a commission to easy fundraising – who pass on a donation to us.

In 6 months 21 supporters have raised £170 for FPZ from easy fundraising. Follow the instructions in the panel to the left to join the 1.3 million supporters who have raised £19m for 100,000 good causes

[easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk)



## Looking Ahead

### Lent Lunches



Rosemary plans to host a series of lunches on Wednesdays during Lent 2018 at her home in Abingdon. She will provide lunch but asks for a donation for the work of Future Pillars.

### Container



We are very grateful to Barry and Becky Gransden of Blandford who have offered us space in a container which they are shipping out to Kabwe shortly - and to all who are donating goodies to fill it. It's enormous! Patrick, our administrator in Kabwe, has provided a wish list and we are working hard to gather the items...

### Trustee Visit

The next trustee visit is scheduled for May 2018. Rosemary and Peter will both travel to Kabwe, and will be joined by a number of friends and supporters of Future Pillars, including Barry and Becky Gransden, who will deliver a programme of CPD for local teachers in Kabwe.

### Kabwe Sponsored Run / Walk

During the May visit to Kabwe Peter hopes to organise a series of 1 mile run / walks for the children... and will be inviting us to sponsor them. Watch out for news nearer the time.

### The First Annual Future Pillars Walk – 7 July 2018



And finally... an opportunity to take on a challenge of our own. On 7 July we will launch an Annual Future Pillars Walk, down in Peter's native Cornwall. The full route will cover 30 miles along the Saints Way, an ancient route for pilgrims. But never fear, Peter has thought of everything and there is a half option, walking 15 miles to or from the half way point. So if you are looking for a challenge or a New Year's resolution, why not join us? Further details to follow.

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## DONATION FORM

To make a one-off or monthly donation please provide the following information. The easiest way is to set up using online banking but you can also complete and detach section 4 and take this to your bank manager to set up the standing order arrangement.

**SECTION 1 —PERSONAL DETAILS** (it is far cheaper and easier for us to send information including newsletters by e mail but please do contact us if you have an alternative preference for communication).

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E mail \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2 —DONATION SUM** All funds are hugely appreciated. We pledge that 100% of funds raised go directly to our approved programmes in Zambia. All UK costs are met by specific donations by FPZ Trustees. As an example it currently costs £4 a month to feed each child a nutritious meal every school day and it costs £12 a month to sponsor a child to Upper Secondary level so they can gain a crucial qualification and have hope for a better future. You can make a real difference. Please pay to FUTURE

PILLARS (ZAMBIA) , Lloyds Bank PLC, Sort code 30-84-87 account number 39911960. Or kindly include a cheque/cash.

One off donation	£ .....	Cheque/cash enclosed	<input type="text"/>
Monthly donation until further instruction	£ .....	Date of donation (or first donation)	...../...../.....

### SECTION 3 – GIFT AID DECLARATION

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate! I am a UK Taxpayer

Please treat all donations I make now and in the future and since 22 June 2017 as Gift Aid donations until further notice. I confirm that I am a UK Income or Capital Gains Tax Payer. I have read this statement and want the Charity named above to reclaim tax on the donation detailed above given on the date shown. I understand that if I pay less Income Tax or Capital Gains tax in the current tax year then the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all of my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Please contact the charity if you wish to cancel this declaration or change address details etc.

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### SECTION 4 —TO SEND TO YOUR BANK

To the manager of \_\_\_\_\_ Bank at (address) \_\_\_\_\_

Account number \_\_\_\_\_ Sort Code \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to make a regular donation to Future Pillars (Zambia) of £\_\_\_\_\_ as stated above, commencing on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/20\_\_

Please pay the above sum commencing on the above date to FUTURE PILLARS (ZAMBIA) , Lloyds Bank PLC, Sort code 30-84-87 account number 39911960, until further instruction in writing.

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