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### JANUARY 2019 NARRATIVE REPORT

### **INTRODUCTION**

We always give glory and honour to God who gives us the ability and zeal to advance the cause of His kingdom. We are always grateful when we look back in the month and see the hand of God in a number of areas. To Him, we remain grateful. This report gives a glimpse to some of the issues that transpired in the month. The greater part of this reports shall be the entrepreneurship skills program that recently took place.

#### 1.0 TERM BEGINS

Our new term started on the  $3^{rd}$  of January with a practical geared towards the development of entrepreneurship skills. This component will be covered at length hereunder. Normal classes resumed on the  $22^{rd}$  of January. All students returned and classes started well..

#### 2.0 ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM

BVBIZ had her first ever entrepreneurship skills practical from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of January. Whilst a lot of effort is put in increasing the knowledge of the Bible and ministry, BVBIZ is on a drive to also equip the students with life survival skills. These skills will help them as they preach the word. This year's program was done at 3 centres.

#### 2.1 STUDENT DISTRIBUTION

Students were involved in a variety of activities. These include welding and the production of cattle, fish, crops, poultry and pigs. The following table summarises the enterprises that were taking place at each centre.

PLACE	STUDENTS	ENTERPRISE
Sedze Nurseries	Isaac Mupanduki, Grey Ndoro,	Nurseries, poultry, market gardening
	Khulekani Dube and Mathew Phiri	and fishery
Nyakudya Plot	Charles Muzambi, Darlington Tsikada	Poultry, piggery and cattle production
	and Virimai Gandiwa	
Makumbiri	Tawanda Kamungeremu, Takudzwa	Poultry, piggery, fishery and market
Estates	Mangwanda, Takudzwa Chikuni,	gardening
	Batsirai Tengurachepa	
Kufa Workshop	Thandikile Dlamini, Sharon Manase,	Welding, poultry, market gardening
and BVBIZ	Blessing Manase	

### 2.2 APPRECIATION

Our appreciation goes to the following brothers and their families for providing us with the opportunity. There are P.Kufa, W.Nyakudya, L. Zungunde, J. Mugweni and L. Sedze. They provided accommodation, food and the knowledge and skills that left BVBIZ's students at a higher level.



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### 2.3 LESSONS LEARNT

Several lessons were learnt by the students as they did their practicum. To many, this was an eye opener. BVBIZ also learnt several aspects that will help us to enhance our curriculum as we seek to develop students who will be relevant to the church, their families and society. Next year, there shall be another program. This program shall probably take place for not less than 6 weeks.

#### 2.4 EVANGELISM

A preacher remains a preacher at any place and in every situation. Besides the practical that students were doing to enhance their survival skills, evangelism was not neglected. Devotions were carried out each day and where there were no devotions, students initiated them. They did these with all the workers. Students in Rusape worshipped at Rest Haven, while those at Bro. Nyakudya's plot worshipped with Nora Valley Congregation (this congregation was started by BVBIZ students in April 2018). Those who were at Makumbiri Estates subdivided themselves into two. Two went to meet with the congregation at Mvurwi while 2 went to Mazowe. In all these instances, students were given the opportunity to serve in various capacities during church services. Those stationed at Brother Sedze's place went to Rusape General Hospital for visitation every day at 5am. At Rusape and Nora Valley, there were time allocations for evangelism during certain days. 2 souls were added to the church at Nora Valley while 5 were baptized at the Rest Haven congregation in Rusape.



### 2.5 PICTURES

Pictures of this program are inserted at the end of this report. These tell a story of what transpired during this program.

#### 3.0 CURRICULUM

The following are the subjects being taught this term



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Denominational Doctrines Mathew Muchingami

World Religions Donnie Estep
1-2 Corinthians David Walker
1-2 Thessalonians David Walker

Greek I Mathew Muchinagmi
1, 2 Peter, and Jude Howard Suwari
Wisdom Literature Ishmael Mutichu
Prison Epistles Ishamel Mutichu
Introduction to computers Hailey Mlangeni

#### 4.0 FIELD PRACTICUM

This class we currently have shall have its first field practicum next term. The students will attached at different congregations. Several congregations have already applied. Each congregation shall meet the cost of accommodation and food and must be willing to join the preachers in working for the Lord. These students shall not be working for the congregations but with them. This year's program shall run for 10 weeks. If there are individuals or congregations who have plans to start new work, BVBIZ is readily available to assist. In fact, preference shall be given to those intending to establish new work.

#### **CONCLUSION**

As we start this new year, we would like to thank everyone who contributed this far, one way or another, to BVBIZ, that is, materially, financially or morally. Your support this year will also go a long way in training workers for Christ as has been noted in the report above. We also appreciate all visiting teachers whose knowledge, dedication and sacrifices have taken BVBIZ to another level. The school could not be where it is now without your support. The Board has also provided an excellent oversight and direction. Our gratefulness will not be enough without Woodland Oaks and Bear Valley Bible Institute International. May the God of heaven remember you all as you do your part in the furtherance of this noble work.



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