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## JUNE 2021 NARRATIVE REPORT

### INTRODUCTION

The COVID virus continues to wreak havoc in the world and Zimbabwe is not an exception. Cases continue to rise with several others succumbing to it. On the 29th of June, the government pronounced some new lockdown measures in an attempt to control the situation. Despite this scourge, activities continued at BVBIZ. We can report on the following;

### 1.0 IMPORTANT VISITS

In the month of June, BVBIZ had two important visits to the school. The first was from the Partners for Africa whilst the second was from Donnie Estep.

### 1.1 PARTNERS FOR AFRICA VISIT

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of June BVBIZ got a visit from Partners for Africa. This organisation has proved to be key in the schools agenda of developing workers for the Lord. Partners for Africa drilled a borehole at BVBIZ. A fellowship Sunday took place on this day targeting the 2 new congregations (Plasworth and Lot 64) that were established in the last quarter of last year. Michael Houts taught the Bible class while Dorian Flynn preached. After the service, the team planted some fruit trees on campus. They also sponsored the food that was eaten at the fellowship. On the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, Brother Houts taught students from experience on the subject "Christian Evidences." Their visit was a great blessing to the school and the members who attended the service. BVBIZ remains grateful to this organisation. The following pictures are a summary of what transpired.



## 1.2 DONNIE ESTEP'S VISIT

Donnie Estep, our regional director, arrived in Zimbabwe on the 13<sup>th</sup> of June and left on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Besides visiting to appraise himself with the progress that the school has made, Donnie taught “World Religions,” one of our short courses. Students had a great time with him. From Gweru he travelled to Harare where he got an opportunity to interact with some of the students on the extension program. His visit has always been a great blessing to the school.



*Donnie with students*

## **2.0 EVANGELISM**

Evangelism is a key component in at BVBIZ. Students practicum began in June. We can report on the following;

### **2.1 GREENVALE CAMPAIGN**

From the 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of June BVBIZ students and teachers camped at Lot 64 close to Greenvale in Gweru. A new congregation started late last year in the area soon after the death of one of our preachers Daniel Mabuya (MSOP, 2017 class). Evangelism was done during the day and services held in the evening. Average attendance during the evenings was 80. On Saturday the 12 of June, a WBS seminar was held. 87 were in attendance. 13 people were baptized eventually. Also in attendance to give more experience to the students were two of our past students, Batsirai Tengurachepe of Redcliff and Tapiwa Madamombe of Kwekwe.



## **2.2 FIELD PROGRAM**

Students shall be going for their first field practicum from the 25<sup>th</sup> of July to the 5<sup>th</sup> of September. This year's program shall be shorter than the others done in the previous years. Lost days will be compensated next year. Congregations that have been approved to host the program so far include; Plasworth, Lot 64, Redcliff, Mashava, and Chiware.

## **3.0 PROJECTS**

Projects remain key in the school's drive to empower students with life skills and in the provision of a little more income to BVBIZ. The vision of the school is that in future, projects should be contributing a significant amount to the school's budget. Broilers have been a success story so far. The following projects are being worked on;

### **3.1 MARKET GARDENING**

One of the projects that is on the school's radar is market gardening. The vision was made alive by a donation of \$250 that was made by Donnie Estep and his family. The money was intended to hire a tractor to work on the land that the school had cleared. By the 30<sup>th</sup> of June, almost two acres of land had been worked on before the tractor broke down. The owner is currently repairing his tractor and we are hopeful that it will be brought to finish the work in the next few days.



*Part of the land that has been worked on*

The next stage will be to fence a small portion and lay a drip system on it. Between \$1500-\$2000 is needed to get things going.

### 3.2 GOAT PROJECT

Another project that the school longs to have is goat production. This will help in the provision of meat to our students and also provide some income into the school. To kick start the project a temporary goat pen is under construction together with another fowl run for the broiler project. The builders are not the usual ones that the school has been using but are students who are knowledgeable with such type of work. Making use of student skills has been very helpful as it has helped the school to achieve much whilst keeping the costs low. Our full time instructor, Ishmael Mutichu, is also helping out as he has some experience also.



### 4.0 TEACHER'S HOUSE

All brickwork on the teacher's house has been done. The target is for two teachers to move into that house. Currently, they drive from Gweru to the school. The fuel bill is currently averaging \$200 a month due to the bad road. The road does not have public transport. We are confident that together, we can complete this house. Great appreciation to many individuals who sacrificed a lot for this house to be where it is now. The following are the next stages; roof, window frames, plumbing, plastering, floors, doors and electrical wiring. BVBIZ seeks for your held in the completion of these stages. Please APPENDIX 1 after the conclusion for further details and possible partnerships.

## **CONCLUSION**

We are always thankful to God for enabling many of you to partner with BVBIZ in its effort to fulfil its core business of training and developing workers for Christ. These partnerships have been wonderful. May God bless you all.

# **APPENDIX 1**

## **THE TEACHER'S HOUSE**

Construction of a teacher's house at BVBIZ has progressed well since it started. This house is strategic to the school and its progress. However, the project began without any promise of funding. The progress that was witnessed was due to the confidence we have in you that if we pull our resources together, the job can be done. This partnership with you has been very vital in the progress of BVBIZ. Towards that end, BVBIZ is coming back to you again with an update on the progress so far and the task ahead.

### **PROGRESS MADE SO FAR**

The following pictures shows the stages that have been completed so far;





**ANALYSIS OF FUNDS USED FOR THE TEACHERS HOUSE SO FAR**

		USD
September	2020	825
October	2020	1140
November	2020	2310
December	2020	2890



January	2021	885
March	2021	1910
April	2021	756
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10716</b>

## SOURCES OF FUNDS

	USD
1. Local Brethren (responses to appeals made)	\$1637
2. Woodland Oaks	\$5000
3. BVBIZ projects & savings	\$4079
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10716</b>

## OUTSTANDING STAGES

The following is a list of requirements to complete a teacher's house at BVBIZ. For this house to be completed, BVBIZ seeks for your kind help and partnership in getting the items needed. Hundreds of items are listed on the Bills of Quantity. If you can, please pick one or more of the items listed by indicating your name against the item. Where you would want to contribute part of the needed quantity, indicate your name and the quantity you want to contribute and the date/month you wish to fulfil your target. Alternatively, you can send an email to bearvalleybibleinstitutezim@gmail.com, a text message, call or Whatsapp to +263774413647 or +263773993773 indicating what you would want to help with and when. No item or quantity will be deemed small. Even an item needing \$0.50 will make a huge difference. The following table shows the summary of the costs;

## SUMMARY OF COSTS NEEDED TO FINISH THE PROJECT

		Material	Labour	Total
1	Roof	3652	1350	5002
2	Floors and plastering	786	1200	1986
3	Window frames	640	-	640
4	Doors and locksets	1050	60	1110
5	Plumbing material	1405	450	1855
6	Electrical material	2652.51	850	3502.51
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>14095</b>

## THE DETAILS

DOORS AND IRON MONGERY	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL	NAME\$ AMOUNT
Interior doors	12	15	180	
Locksets	14	10	140	
Exterior doors	2	65	130	
3m sliding doors	2	300	600	P. Nyahada \$100

<b>Window frames</b>				
ND4F	7	75	525	
NEI	3	20	60	
NCF	1	55	55	
Window panes (assorted sizes)				K.Simemeza
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1690</b>	
<b>PLASTERING &amp; FLOORS</b>				
Cement	55	8	412.50	M.Muchingami \$100
Pit sand	25 cubic	150/15cubic	250	
River sand	10 cubic	180/15 cubic	120	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>786.50</b>	

<b>ROOFING MATERIALS</b>				
	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>UNIT COST</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NAME &amp; AMOUNT</b>
228 x 38 x 6m	3	18	54	
152 x 38 x 6m	6	13	78	
114 x 38 x 6m	120	8	960	
76 x 38 x 6m	62	7	434	
AC Fascia boards x 3.6m	17	9	153	
<b>Others</b>				
4 inch wire nails	20kg	1.70	34	
5 inch wire nails	10kg	1.70	17	
120 x 10mm bolts and nuts	250	0.50	125	
160 x 10mm bolts and nuts	24	0.50	12	
Single shoes	18	1.50	27	
Double shoes	10	2	20	
Clout nails	2kg	8	16	
IBR sheets	82	21	1722	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3652</b>	

<b>PLUMBING</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>UNIT PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NAME &amp; AMOUNT</b>
110mm P.V.C u/g pipe 6m	5	13	65	
110mm P.V.C surface pipe 6m	2	12	24	
110mm P.V.C gully P trap UGB 40	2	4.1	8.2	

110mm gully head and grate UGA40	4	3.99	15.96	
110mm rodding eye 110mm UAP43	2	5.23	10.46	
110mm pan connector	3	9.5	27.15	
110mm u/g P.V.C Y junction plain	4	4.9	19.6	
110mm junction 45 degrees	2	7.25	14.5	
110mm u/g P.V.C 90° bend plain	3	5.5	16.5	
110mm 2 way vent valve	3	5.6	15.18	
110mm double socket u/g	3	4	12	
50mm P.V.C waste pipe	3	1.45	4.35	
50mm P.V.C surface bend	3	4.4	13.2	
50mm P.V.C bend plain	3	3.5	10.5	
capillary elbow	10	0.5	5	
Tee capillary 15mm	15	0.5	7.5	
coupling capillary 15mm	25	0.5	12.5	
40x32 rubber P Trap	2	2.5	5	
32x40 rubber S Trap	2	6	12	
40mm sink waste	2	9.5	19	
32mm basin waste	2	5	10	
Shower P Trap with adaptor	3	17	51	
Sink combination P Trap	1	9.07	9.07	
25x20 poly male adaptor	3	3.5	10.5	
25x20 poly centred threaded T	3	7	21	
copper pipe 22mm x 5.5m	1	27.9	27.9	
copper pipe 15mmx 5.5m	9	14.15	127.35	
20mm brass stop cock	2	12	24	
20mm gate valves	3	11.3	33.9	
15mm flexible connector	3	9.5	28.5	
solvent cement	2	10.35	20.7	
galvanized reducing bush 20-15mm	4	0.55	2.2	
vsp adaptor	2	0.5	1	
PVC 25mm elbow	3	0.5	1.5	
25mm threaded elbow	6	0.5	3	
PVC 50mm elbow WB51	5	0.45	2.25	
PVC 25mm pipe class 16	5	3	15	
soldering paste	1	3.38	3.38	
pvc 160mm x 110 saddle	1	5.2	5.2	
soldering gas cartridge	1	2.9	2.9	
red bush 22-15mm Cu	10	0.62	6.2	
PVC plain elbows WB500	5	0.4	1.6	
shower mixer	4	40	160	
15mm basin mixer tap	2	49	98	

double bowel single tray sink	1	90	90	
Toilet suite	3	75	225	
window putty	1	1	1	
Basin set	3	35	105	
Thread tape	5	0.23	1.15	
TOTAL			1405.9	

QUANTITY	ITEM	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	NAME & AMOUNT
1	24 Way combination meter board (meter of DB)	141.3	141.3	
1	Cable guard	7.5	7.5	
6	12mm expansion bolts	2.24	13.44	
1	B.E conduit pipe (complete with bush & coupling)	14.53	14.53	
6	m 50x50 pvc trunking	3.62	21.72	
30	19mm pvc conduits	1.07	32.1	
300	19mm pvc coupling	0.05	15	
200	19mm pvc nipples	0.03	4.97	
50	pvc round box	0.16	7.9	
30	pvc round liels	0.15	4.58	
25	3x6 flush box	0.6	14.95	
20	3x3 flush box	0.3	5.98	
200	20mm B.E sadle	0.26	52	
600	pieces (4x30mm) wood screws	0.04	20.76	
10	1 gang 2 way switch	3.98	39.78	
4	2 gang 2 way switch	4.39	17.55	
3	3 gang 2 way switch	0.39	14.85	
2	3x6 cooker unit	24.7	49.41	
4	m 20mm spreg tube	2.29	9.15	
4	20mm spreg connectors	4.4	17.59	
2	doom covers	1.41	2.82	
2	geyser switch	6.3	12.05	
18	13A double socket outlet	16.9	305	
6	15A death socket outlet	6.54	39.2	
30	m 16mm earth wire	2.4	72	
2	single phase noog socket outlet	53.4	106.8	
50	meters 6mm s/c/cable Red BC	0.98	49.11	
50	meters 6mm s/c/cable black BC	0.98	49.11	
30	meters 6mm cable Gr/Yellow	0.64	19.05	
30	meters 4mm gr/yellow	0.64	19.05	

30	meters 4mm s/c/cable Black	2.5	75.1	
30	meters 4mm s/c/cable Red	0.64	19.05	
4	rolls 2.5mm x 100m s/c/cable black	41.66	166.61	
4	rolls 2.5mm x 100m s/c/cable red	41.66	166.61	
4	rolls 2.5mm x 100m green/yellow CAFCA	41.66	166.61	
5	rolls 1.5mm x 100m Red cable	28.42	142.1	
4	rolls 1.5mm x 100m cable Black	29.49	117.94	
5	rolls 1.5mm x 100m s/c/cable green/yellow	28.42	142.1	
10	m earth binding strip	2.55	25.45	
50	veranda bolts (20mm)	0.1	5	
20	16mm lugs	0.45	9.05	
10	6mm lugs	0.24	2.37	
	<b>MCBS</b>			
1	60A SP MCB	7.5	7.5	
2	30A SP MCB	14.18	14.35	
7	20A SP MCB	7.21	50.5	
2	15A SP MCB	7.2	14.39	
3	5A SP MCB	7.26	21.78	
	<b>LABELS</b>			
1	mains	0.29	0.29	
2	cooker	0.29	0.57	
7	plugs	0.03	0.21	
3	lights	0.28	0.85	
2	geyser	0.29	0.57	
2	16A NOVA plug 70p	12.16	24.32	
12	MCB Blank covers	0.1	1.19	
2	copper earth rodes and clamps	27.66	55.32	
2	4mm B.E conduit pipe	14.68	29.35	
5	3x6 blank covers	1.06	5.31	
4	USB socket outlets (13A)	24.54	98.15	
15	nylon lamp holders	2.01	30.09	
1	16A day night switch	18.75	18.75	
1	box fisher plugs	0.75	0.75	
20	19mm pvc to steel adaptors	0.18	3.61	
20	20mm B.E couplings	2.01	40.11	
20	20mm brass bushes	0.86	17.31	
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2652.51</b>	

LABOUR	AMOUNT	NAME & AMOUNT
roof	1350	

Plastering & floor	1200	
Labour plumping	450	
Labour-electrical wiring	850	
Fixing of doors and locksets	60	
<b>Labour Total</b>	<b>3910</b>	

## **PAYEMENT DETAILS**

### **BANK DETAILS**

In the event that you want to send the money for the item indicated, please use the following methods

#### **FOREIGN CURRENCY ACCOUNT (USD)**

NAME OF BANK : NEDBANK  
NAME OF ACCOUNT : BEAR VALLEY BIBLE INSTITUTE  
ACCOUNT NUMBER : 11990731073  
SWIFT CODE : MBCAZWHX  
BRANCH : GWERU

#### **LOCAL CURRENCY (ZWL)**

NAME OF BANK : NEDBANK  
NAME OF ACCOUNT : BEAR VALLEY BIBLE INSTITUTE  
ACCOUNT NUMBER : 21034000038  
SWIFT CODE : MBCAZWHX  
BRANCH : GWERU

#### **ECOCASH/ONE MONEY**

For these options, please send a message to +263774413647 and you be directed on what to do

For those in the U.S.A, please use the following contacts for easy payments;

#### **Donnie Estep**

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#### **WHAT TO DO AFTER THE DEPOSIT**

After making your deposit, please call or send a text message or Whatsapp to the numbers given above indicating the item (s) you want bought. The item will be bought and a receipt, a picture and acknowledgement of the item will be send to you. At the end of each month, a list of donations will appear in the school's narrative reports. However, if you want to appear as anonymous, that will be done.