

ISHE ANESU PROJECT

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Dear Supporters of Ishe Anesu Project

Be still and know I am God: Ps. 46:10. We hope you have been able to browse through our website: www.isheanesu.com, for our recent developments at Ishe Anesu. However, the very latest event was on June 13 2015 when we reached the climax of the achievements at Ishe Anesu Project. We witnessed two of our students: Kumbirai Mazaiwana and Tawanda Chandiwana, participate in a commencement exercise at Africa University, receiving their Masters Degree. Their Dissertation topics were: "An Evaluation of Adolescents Reproductive Health Education Services in Rural Zimbabwe: a case study." and "Exploring Factors that Contribute to Teenage Pregnancy in Sakubva Township, Mutare District, Zimbabwe", respectively. Needless to say, this was an unforgettable event that saw tears and tears of joy and jubilation trickling down the cheeks of parents, friends, relatives and colleagues with this incredible event. It was too good to be true!

You, friends and supporters of Ishe Anesu, are the reason for this success. Your continued and unconditional support made this and many other events successful. You will be pleased to know that those who graduated earlier and decided to seek jobs, are now providing a lot of support to their families. Their homes are now refurbished with new furniture, better health style. We have a moving story of one former Ishe Anesu student who decided to place a beautiful tombstone on his mother's grave even though she died many years ago when he was still a child.

And most importantly, many parents and relatives of the children at Ishe Anesu have decided to attend our church services and have accepted Christ as their Savior. They saw a radical transformation in the behavior of their children. Truly, Ishe Anesu is both educating and evangelizing the community of Sakubva.

On the other hand, not all is rosy at Ishe Anesu. The project is experiencing an unprecedented financial crisis. Funding has gone from a free fall to a rock bottom need. The funds requested for the payment of school fees for the second term - April through August-- have not been secured. Fearing that the students would be expelled from their schools, we borrowed funds from somewhere, with the hope that the money we requested would be forthcoming shortly. Our staff have not been paid. We cannot continue borrowing money before we pay back the \$7,500.00 we borrowed. The total amount we requested from the General Board of Global Ministries is \$16,684.00 for the current term for fees, uniforms food and administrative costs. We will need the same amount for the third and final term for this academic year by the end of next July.

Our sincere appreciation goes out to the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church in Tennessee, USA. Ishe Anesu supporters from this Conference have, for the past decade, been sending every year, two large containers of food buckets, school supplies, health kits and funds. Our concern is that unless funds are available to pay the fees by the end of July, the children will not be allowed in schools. They may come to the project for food and health care, but their education will be interrupted.

With God, nothing is impossible: (Matt: 1:23). All we need is to "***be still and know that God is our God. If he has taken us this far, He will not abandon us.***"

In His service,

Maria and Bill Humbane

PS: Graduation pictures to be posted in the next Ishe Anesu website.

