



The ZANE charity was founded by Tom Benyon in 2002 when he first met Cathy Olds, whose husband was hacked to death when their farm was occupied. On visiting Zimbabwe Tom discovered a large number of elderly people whose pensions had been rendered virtually worthless by rabid inflation, and who were unable to find money for food and medicine and the essentials of life. ZANE is currently feeding 2,000 of these men and women each day, including many ex-service people who fought with the Allied Forces in World War II.

In April 2005 he met a remarkable young lady, a former teacher and one time humanitarian aid worker in Central Asia who had returned to her home in Zimbabwe to care for the poorest of the poor that live in the High Density Areas that surround Harare. In her work she has decided to concentrate on widows, orphans and HIV/AIDS sufferers, along with child-headed families, where a 10 or 12 year old orphan cares for their siblings. To earn money they have to "work" in bars, which in some instances is code for prostitution. She is currently caring for 10 of these families.

With a nurse and a pharmacist she operates a mobile clinic that goes into these deprived areas each week practicing sustainable medicine, finding that by providing a nutritious food and a suitable diet, their health and quality of life quickly improves. She also provides and monitors a number of self-help projects such as sewing machines and pea-nut butter making machines that enable people to earn a living and become semi-independent.

This considerable work and the supply of the nutritious food which ZANE has been importing into Zimbabwe is costly, and the object of this letter is to ask whether you would be prepared through ZANE to financially help support these great people and their quite excellent work amongst these desperately needy and forgotten people, who have no real means of helping themselves?


Yours, in good hope

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Lord Hastings of Scarisbrick".

Lord Hastings of Scarisbrick CBE

ZANE

Zimbabwe - A National Emergency



unless we act
who will, and if
not now, when?

THE GIVEMORE PROJECT

Givemore [his real name] is 10 and lives in one of the High Density Areas that surround Harare. Permanent brain damage caused by protein deficiency is one of the most devastating aspects of world poverty. 80% of total brain development takes place between the moment of conception and the age of two, and sadly Givemore is among the victims. It is thought he also has AIDS. He is one of the many that ZANE is helping through a new work they are supporting which cares for impoverished families, supplying them with e-pap, a highly nutritious food.

The photographs show two of our workers talking to Givemore. They practice sustainable medicine and take a mobile clinic into the HDAs, providing the only medical help some of the people will ever receive. The faces are obscured for security purposes.



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This aspect of the ZANE work is concerned with the poorest of the poor, those who are deprived of food and medicine and care and education, and can do very little to extricate themselves from their predicament.



Amai Nyasha

An 18 year old AIDS victim with a two year old child. The first photograph was taken October 2005, the second January 2006 and the third April 2006. Sadly she died in great pain during the Easter 2006 weekend; her son died shortly afterwards. One of the Home Base Workers that the ZANE people had trained was giving her a bed bath in her small shack that week, and probably sensing she had not long to live Nyasha asked her to forgive her for the times she had been angry about her plight. There were four deaths around the same time, some expected and some not, but all tragic. It is these people that ZANE is committed to helping.

THE RAVAGES OF AIDS



ORPHANED FAMILIES

These 10 month old twins were born in May 2005, their mother died the following day and they are now looked after by their grandmother, and their two orphaned cousins who devote their lives to carrying the twins wherever they go, helping to care for them. Once again ZANE and the quite marvellous people we support provide food and whatever assistance possible to many such families, otherwise their future would be even more bleak.

Another aspect of the work is the care of 10 child-headed families where 10 and 12 year olds who have lost their parents care for their siblings. To earn money for food some of them had to 'work' in bars, which in some cases was code for prostitution. They are now fed by ZANE.



FACTS

- Life expectancy in Zimbabwe is now 34 years
- Inflation is now running at 1,042%, the highest in the world
- 3,000 per week die from AIDS related disease
- 1 child in 8 never reaches the age of 5

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