

## SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT – ZEMBE, MOZAMBIQUE

**Dates realised:** 19 July – 07 August 2012

**Participants:** World Challenge through MICAIA, with Ipswich, Samuel Ward and Monks Dyke Schools.

**Activity completed:** Construction of a classroom “frame”.

### **IPSWICH SCHOOL (14 girls, 2 adult males, 1 female teacher)**



Arrival on 19 July, pegging of the foundation for the building and digging of foundation.



Visitation by the local chief and administrator.



Making frames for the concrete pillars of the building structure.



Ferrying of stones and sand for filling in the foundation. Filling in of foundation with stones and concrete.



Sawing and preparing shattering timber for pillars.



Mounting iron frames and shattering timber. Construction of the slab box.



Departure – 25 July.

**SAMUEL WARD SCHOOL (1 girl, 8 boys, 1 female adult, 1 male adult)**



Arrival on 27 July towards noon. Laying stones for foundation.

Breaking large stones into smaller one to lay on the foundation and fill in the box.



Covering the stones with concrete.



Filling in pillars with concrete.



Watering the concrete slab to harden it.



Helping to plant cabbages in the garden down by the river.



Uprooting cabbage seed for transplanting.



Farewell to Samuel Ward School group – 01 August.



**MONK'S DYKE SCHOOL (9 girls, 6 boys, 2 female adults, 1 male adult)**

Arrival on 01 August and putting together timber for roofing trusses.





Digging 2 (1.5m x 3m x 3m depth) Blair-toilet pits.



Finishing off the second toilet pit.



Preparing a playground next to the school building.



Inside the finished toilet pit.



After watering the concrete slab, helping with planting of onions and cabbages down by the river.



Planting shrubs on the playground and setting up soccer goal posts.



Watering the plants on the playground.



Putting finishing touches to the playground. Moulding cement construction blocks. Watering blocks and concrete slab every morning and evening. Removing shattering timber from concrete pillars.



Putting up the roofing trusses.



Carpentry expertise!



The team present on the finishing of the mounting of trusses.



Farewell to Monk's Dyke School group – 07 August.



Putting up the zinc roofing sheets.



Hitting the last nails into the ridge!



Finnishing touches! A job well done!



The finished job! A happy team indeed – 09 August 2012





The project was finally completed on 09 August 2012. **Associação Mwenje weRuponeso** (which translates to “Light of Salvation”) would like to extend profound gratitude to **Andrew** and **Milagres** of **MICAIA** for connecting the association to **World Challenge**; to **World Challenge** for initiating the drive to face the challenge that the association faced in lacking resources to construct the classroom; and to the students of the 3 schools – **Ipswich**, **Samuel Ward** and **Monk’s Dyke** of the United Kingdom, who answered the call to come all the way down here, hold hands with us and confront the challenges in the jungle! Special thanks are also extended to the Local Administration office, the Chief as well as the local community members who helped in every way they could. Thank you so much to all of you! Together as a team, with God on our side, we will win!

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