

YES! I would like to contribute to the lives of the orphans and vulnerable children in Mwandi, Zambia. Please find my details below:

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

I would like to sponsor a child attending:

- Basic School grades 1-7 (\$105 per year)
- Basic School grades 8-9 (\$105 per year)
- High School grades 8-12 (\$360 per year)
- Mwandi Vocational Education (\$185 per course)

Please find enclosed:

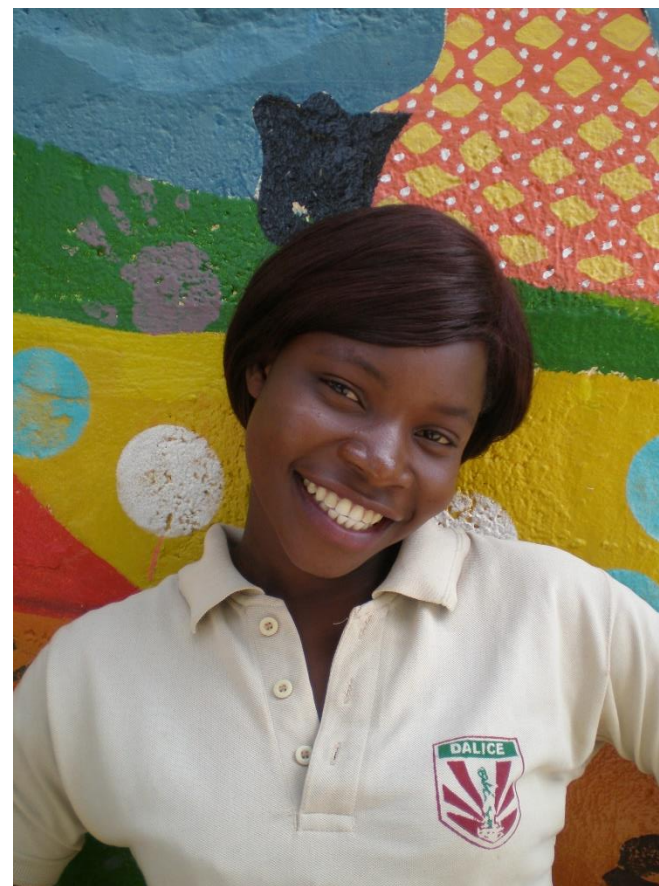
- A cheque/money order for \$ made out to:
Mwandi OVC Project Support Team Inc.
- A bank receipt for \$ as I have paid the money directly into the Westpac bank account (BSB: 035-067 Account No: 216770)
- PayPal receipt \$ (via www.mwandiovc.com)

A receipt will be sent with a photo of your child.

Further information I'd like to receive:

- Project Newsletter
- Volunteering for the Project
- Information about the Project

**Please return form to Mwandi OVC Project Support Team Inc. – Education Support
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Education Sponsorship 2018

*Jesus said "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14 (NIV)*

www.mwandiovc.com

Life Changing Opportunities

Education is a life-changing opportunity for both the children of Mwandu and their families.



Mwandu Village is situated on the Zambezi River in the Western Province of Zambia, 150km west of Livingstone.

With a population of around 10,000 people, one in four have HIV/AIDS and life expectancy is low (men: 46 and women: 52). Due to this high occurrence of HIV/AIDS there are around 1,990 orphans in the village. The economy revolves mainly around fishing and agriculture and women have an average of 5.6 children.

Education for children in Zambia (especially for girls) is an exception rather than the norm. Only 35%* of Zambia's female population have access to secondary school education and only half of those enrolling manage to graduate. Early marriages, pregnancies and favouritism towards boys means that very few girls, especially in rural areas, will graduate from secondary school.

Support for these children provides an educational opportunity that they would never afford otherwise, in addition to a support system available through the OVC Project that gives these children the best chance of completing school, doing well, and possibly moving onto tertiary education institutions.

Education sponsorship is a gift to a child, to their family, and to their community. It empowers children to build a life for themselves, to help to provide for their family and contribute positively to their community into the future.

*UNICEF Statistic for Zambia, Updated Dec 2013,
http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/zambia_statistics.html

The Mwandu United Church of Zambia Orphans and Vulnerable Children Project was established in 2005 to support the orphans and vulnerable children of Mwandu Village educationally, nutritionally, medically, socially and spiritually.

Mwandu UCZ Basic School

The basic school provides schooling for grades 1-9. There are around 1450 students in the school with around a third being orphans and vulnerable children. Sponsorship provides a uniform, shoes, school badge, stationery, sports fund, Parent Teacher Association fees and Mission fees.

Mwandu UCZ Day High School (Grades 8 to 12)

The high school enables students to have access to science laboratories and attend computer classes while receiving a high level of education. Sponsorship provides tuition and exam fees, home economics fees, a uniform and jumper, shoes, Parent Teacher Association fees and Mission fees.

Vocational Education

At the OVC Project there is a sewing centre and a carpentry centre. The Project provides a 6-month course for sewing and a 12-month carpentry course to young men and woman, to enable them to learn these valuable vocational skills.

University

These include Degrees in Teaching, Accounting and Office Administration - skills most desired by the students so they can return to Mwandu and play a significant role in working for their own people. Reaching this level in education is a huge achievement and recognized by the community.

Special Needs Schooling

The Project currently has students sponsored at several special schools around Zambia. Special needs children are often overlooked and we have found our sponsored special needs children have thrived in their respective schooling.



The Mwandu OVC Project Support Team Inc. (ABN 71 673 742 560) is a registered charity with the ACNC
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