



**FOCUS**  
EDUCATIONAL,  
SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL

**LOCATION**  
LUBUMBASHI, D R CONGO

**LEADER**  
FIDEL NKULU MULEYA

**OUR MINIMUM ANNUAL TARGET**  
£5000

This is a totally indigenous project and is led by Fidel. The project was set up in 2003 and embraces 65 members who are deaf, blind and physically handicapped. The project is equipped with wheelchairs and hand carts. The governor of Katanga supplied a bore hole which not only gives water for the project but is also an income source. The practical activities that are engaged in include a bakery, pottery production and tailoring. In the tailoring department school uniforms are produced. There is also chicken rearing on a 60 day schedule and mushroom farming. Care is provided for seriously disabled members helping them with things like clothing, but also with more mundane requirements like washing and feeding. In a culture where disabled people are seen simply as a burden, this project provides a haven where people are treated with dignity and respect.

Fidel Nkulu Muleya, the leader of this project, is himself disabled. He was paralysed from the waist down when as a child he was vaccinated against measles with contaminated serum. He has not allowed this lifetime disability to limit his capacity and as well as being an excellent leader, he has a real heart for the people that the project is seeking to help and support.

