



FOCUS

EDUCATIONAL,
SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL

LOCATION

CHINGOLA, ZAMBIA

LEADER

KELVIN & JOYCE SAMWATA

OUR MINIMUM ANNUAL TARGET

£8000

This is a community school which currently educates 260 poor children ranging in age from 5 to 12 years in seven classes. The school is located in a slum called Kapisha and the aim of the staff is to make a difference in the lives of underprivileged people. This project is a model to others of how committed people in a very poor community, with the help of western donors, can transform the prospects of the emerging generation. There are three teachers to look after 130 children in the morning and another 130 in the afternoon in only two classrooms. Kelvin Samwata who oversees the running of the school, believes that they are receiving at least as effective an education as they would receive if they could afford to attend a government school. The present building requires renovation but despite efforts over several years, Kelvin has been unable to acquire ownership at a reasonable price and although some renovation work has been carried out, it has not been deemed wise to make significant changes without securing ownership of the premises.

Kelvin Samwata and his wife Joyce grew up in poor families but both are extremely intelligent. Kelvin has a degree from Oxford University as well as a Master's degree from a highly rated university in the United States. He worked for the World Bank as well as for Barclays Bank in the City of London before returning to Zambia to work in full time Christian ministry. Kelvin in particular has used his capacity and experience to great effect in his homeland over the last 25 years.

