

To everyone in Ballywillan.

I am just writing to say thank you so much for the £1000 your Outreach Fund has sent for my work here in Zambia.

Let me tell you how it was used! Currently in Zambia over 50% of our children have no access to sanitation - no toilets! Even in our Early Childhood centres based in churches there are no toilets. One of our churches in Chililabombwe is going to start an Early Childhood Centre. This church is in a compound (township) where there are many children. The only drawback was that there were no children's toilets at the church so it was essential to build toilets before the Centre was opened.

A few weeks later, I received the photo of the building without a roof. The minister explained that they had done as much as they could because of lack of money. That very day, your £1000 arrived in the PCI account for my work! I talked to the General Secretary in Zambia and we decided to use the money to help the toilet building at Chililabombwe.

Now the building is finished, plastered, doors installed and rough casting done! Floors and toilet seats etc will be done on Saturday October 5th! Work was delayed because we currently have a drought in Zambia and water is scarce!!

Rev Mwale is very touched with the kindness of the people at Ballywillan. We are looking forward to having a full ECD centre there beginning in January 2025.

We thank everyone in Ballywillan for this donation. It will really be a blessing to the children of Chililabombwe as they start in our new Centre!

Blessings,

Diane Cusick

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