To: GRACE MEMBERS GERMANY

8th July 2010

Dear President, dear all

Report for what we have done in few months after your Departure from Malawi in May

Officially we would like to thank you for your visit in Malawi especially here at Chipunga. Now the cooperation between me and the people here is problem- free compared to last time when many people did not pass through me with their requests. But now everywhere in our Community when people want to do things concerning GRACE they have to pass through me.

Just soon after your departure I did a lot of meetings with different Committees and it is really successful to the Community of Chipunga. You know the Community of Chipunga but they have changed: Now they are able to understand things. They are working hand in hand with the CDC. I tell you that because we try to fulfil everything that we have discussed in the meeting.

Now I want to write in details starting with projects here at the farm:

A Chicken Project

This project was a welcomed idea on the one hand for our families as income generating activity on the other hand for GRACE.

But this project has been stopped clue to other circumstances of marketing. Our main market Mzuzu University has been ceased.

As of now we have discussed with our MD (Mr. Schwarz) that this project should be carried on by individuals. But we are not sure about it therefore we have not yet started again. It means that there will be no 25% from individuals for GRACE when it starts.

B Education

We have selected ten members as committee which will be looking after the preschool. In the discussion with this committee we have agreed that every child should pay 200MK school fees per term. With this money the committee will buy food for the children.

GRACE has started paying the teachers 1000MK per month- only this year as we have agreed. Next year it will be the issue of the community to pay the teachers. We have four teachers who we have paid for May and June 2010.

Our comment is that the kids are now able to understand, to read and to know which is which.

C For the Community

BASIC NEED:

The Community welcomed the scholar ship idea. They are very impressed with this new idea in our area. We have elected a committee of six people including teachers.

We have touched the quotation for items needed at Chipunga's Primary School.

SCHOOL BLOCK:

Last time when we have discussed the school block it shows that the Community lost the interest just because they lost their chance two times.

In order not to loose their chance again people have started moulding bricks for the block. Indeed Ayla wrote an email to the German embassy, very soon after they had started, to inform them that Chipunga's Community is moulding bricks.

Therefore the German embassy has assured to donate the money for the school block this year.

The German embassy will be here at Chipunga in August 2010. The project is expected to be finished in the middle of December 2010.

Proposed Budget

Last time we told you that we want to buy dining sets (six chairs, one table) but looking on our budget 2010 we can not manage to buy it. It costs almost double of our budget.

We had a meeting on the farm where we decided to buy part of kitchen wear that is plastic buckets for drawing water.

Due to increase labour force on the farm we are able to buy 30 buckets for 45.000MK (1500 MK each).

Therefore 25% of the amount will be 11.250MK.

With a few words we are very thankful for the good assistance here in Chipunga Community, we are able to receive a lot of purposes from surrounding Communities. This shows that you are doing quite a good job here in Malawi especially in Chipunga.

Thanks
Daniel Mthuti
For the CDC

Material needed for the Primary School Chipunga

50 Eversharp pencils	20 MK	1000 MK
1 Office Glue	450 MK	450 MK
50 Markers	20 MK	1000 MK
890 Ream Paper	2 MK	1780 MK
16 Hard Covers A4	550 MK	5600 MK
1 Stepple Machine	2000 MK	2000 MK
1 pkts. Sleppling pins 26/6		200 MK
1 Punch	650 MK	650 MK
1000 Exercise books	25 Mk	25000 MK
8 Brooms with sticks	295 MK	2360 MK
2 Squeezers	495 MK	990 MK
1 Rake	1995 MK	1995 MK
10 Lever arc files	395 MK	3950 MK
1 Expanding file	1900 MK	1900 MK
		48 875 MK

Zusätze von mir (Jonathan):

Bezgl. Hühnerprojekt:

- Bernhard ist gerade nicht gewillt das Hühnerprojekt fortzusetzen (es wird sich zeigen wann und ob damit noch einmal begonnen wird und dann auch nur mit Einzelpersonen um eine höhere Motivation zu erreichen)
- Das Hühnerprojekt mit den Jugendlichen steht kurz vor dem Beginn (alles ist vorbereitet) Bernhard hat dem Projekt auch Unterstützung zugesprochen, bisher sind aber noch keine Hühner oder Futter da (ich war gerade im Urlaub und kümmere mich jetzt um die Umsetzung)
- Das Ofenprojekt konnte ich leider nicht weiterverfolgen, da die Freiwilligen aus Mulanje in Südafrika zur WM waren ich denke es ist sinnvoller das mit dem kommenden Freiwilligen dann umzusetzen (da es sicher einige Zeit braucht)
- Auf der Farm läuft gerade wenig, da der Farmmanager nach einer OP aus seinem Job scheidet und außerdem Unsicherheit herrscht wegen des Verkaufs der Farm (soll heißen, es ist kaum Motivation vorhanden bei den Arbeitern, weshalb sich gerade auch keine Projekte umsetzen lassen)
- Die Schule wollte keine genauere Liste schicken, was sie noch braucht, da sie meinten alles wäre nötig und GRACE solle entscheiden (anzufügen ist, dass vor kurzem in die Schule eingebrochen wurde und viel Material geklaut wurde wir hatten erst kürzlich eine Unmenge an Stiften u.ä. organisiert, nun gibt es fast nichts mehr) der Dieb sitzt schon im Knast, aber das Zeug ist weg...d.h. es wird von Stiften bis Papier alles benötigt
- An den Arbeitsaufträgen für die kommenden Freiwilligen arbeiten wir bereits, du bekommst das dann zugeschickt