

## BRINGING JOY & PURPOSE TO ORPHANS



## **BUSINESS UPDATES FOR JULY 2024**

**Introduction**: In the month of July, Lifesong Farms finally received our new refrigerated truck that was imported to Zambia from Japan. With the increase of customer demand, and stability and reliability our customers expect, another delivery truck was required and purchased. This delivery truck has more capacity than the current truck and allows the farm to have additional delivery allowance as needed.







**Berry Farm**: At the Berry farm, unfortunately, we have experienced a decrease in the strawberry harvest as we have had an issue with some of the plants. Due to irrigation issues, and, in turn, loss of plants, we have experienced a decreased harvest both last month (June) and this month, and also anticipate this will continue for the coming two months (August and September). After September we plan to be back to our monthly harvest targets. In spite of this decrease in strawberry harvest, our overall 2024 proforma target is off only 5%, to date.

The blueberry harvest has also started and we anticipate an increase of harvest in the coming months. The gooseberry harvest is minimal at this time, and raspberry harvest should start in the next month or two. In addition, the Berry farm team is constructing new tunnels/canopies for additional Strawberry production. With the ever-increasing customer demand, we are planning to support with additional production.



**Twalima Farm & Nursery**: Onions, broccoli, lettuce and cabbage have been growing and selling well. The customers are buying everything that is harvested. The green beans production was a little lower than expected. 2024 proforma target is over by 34%, to date. The team has also finished the canopy for growing seedlings.



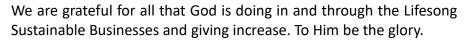
**Discipleship Program**: The discipleship of the students has been going on this month. Both the students and farms appreciate the opportunity to serve each other in this capacity. There was a break toward the end of the month, that will carry on next month (August) because of school breaks.



**Lifesong Coffee**: Finally in this edition, we are proud to announce the latest Lifesong story. It is a story of hope to the communities around Ndola and the people of Zambia at large. Lifesong Farms is partnering with Living Hope in a Coffee project earmarked to generate profits for the benefit of the communities by creating employment and a living hope to the orphans







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