

Introduction: We are excited to share the latest updates for the month of September as we continue to forge ahead despite some challenges. We aim to keep growing and making an impact, and your support is more important than ever. Let's dive into the key areas of progress and challenges this month.



Berry Farm: We are seeing both successes and challenges. Main challenges are water supply. Our reservoirs are running low, which is affecting our ability to properly irrigate the crops. This could impact our harvest if not resolved soon. Electricity interruptions and frequent power outages have caused delays in farm activities, making some of our machinery unusable for periods of time. This has slowed down some operations.



Despite the difficulties, there is progress that has been recorded. The renovation of the raspberry tunnels is going well. Several raspberry plants have been transplanted into the new tunnels, and they are growing steadily.

Further, Strawberries and Blueberries are braving the challenges steadily producing increasing harvests. We're optimistic about seeing great returns as the season progresses.

Living Hope Coffee Farm: The Coffee Farm is proud to report the completion the coffee harvest for the season with an impressive 7.8 tonnes! And the team is now pruning the trees and removing weeds, getting ready for the rainy season.

The main problem at the coffee farm is the Water Stress, Unfortunately, water continues to be a major issue for the coffee farm. Irrigation is limited to just a few hours a day, and the plants are under water stress.

Financial Performance: On the financial side the Berry Farm has achieved 84.5% of its proforma budget, a strong performance considering the challenges faced. While Twalima Farm has surpassed its budget target by 43%, hitting 143% of its goal!

We are truly thankful for your unwavering support. Even with the obstacles encountered, the progress made is remarkable, and we believe the fourth quarter will bring even greater results.

We continue moving forward together and thank you for being part of this journey for Lifesong for Orphans Zambia.

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