

Introduction: March was a month of solid work, progress, and reflection for Lifesong Farms.



Berry Farm: Strawberry production had a good harvest. Work began to prepare for new seedlings by removing old Splendor tunnels. Our Charlotte test runners are showing good growth, promising for future harvests. However, we faced challenges with mites. Our agronomists and spray team are actively working to bring the situation under control.

On the Gooseberry front, we started harvesting from new plants. While the initial harvest was lower than expected, both yield and quality are beginning to improve. We continued planting more Gooseberries in phases to increase production in the coming months.

Blueberry harvest was slightly lower than in February. The main challenge was that weeding all sections took more time than we thought. We have since improved our planning and implementation and we expect better results soon.



The Raspberries did quite well. The harvest was good, although we also faced problems with mites here. The team is managing this with the same care as in the strawberries. Another issue we saw was the lack of proper support for the raspberry canes. We now testing new support netting to solve this.

Coffee Farm: as the rainy season ends, we have entered our harvest period. We will be bringing in seasonal workers to assist with picking. In preparation for the dry months ahead, we repaired the irrigation system. Because of rising electricity prices, we have also introduced soil moisture sensors to help us manage water use more efficiently.

Lifesong Nursery: We had a successful month. Lettuce production was smooth, and all orders were fulfilled. Bananas have begun fruiting. A drip irrigation system is being installed on the field where ministry vegetables will be grown. However, because the bananas have taken over that area, we can no longer grow other vegetables there. Nevertheless, we successfully raised open-root seedlings for Twalima Farm.





Twalima Farm: Onion seedlings grown for Twalima Farm are progressing well, and the packaging facility is nearly complete. Construction has also begun on a new structure for hardening seedlings. February was a successful month, as we managed to fulfill 100% of our lettuce orders. However, we have faced challenges with black root disease affecting red cabbages and broccoli in open fields.

Earthly Loss but Heavenly Gain: Lastly, on an emotional note, we deeply mourn the loss of our friend and brother, Mr. Joe Marton, who passed away on March 17. Joe was a true blessing to Lifesong Farms, and we will always cherish the memories we made with him.

Gratitude & Outlook: This month brought good growth, better systems, and heartfelt remembrance.



Stay Blessed

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