



## Annual Report 2019-2020

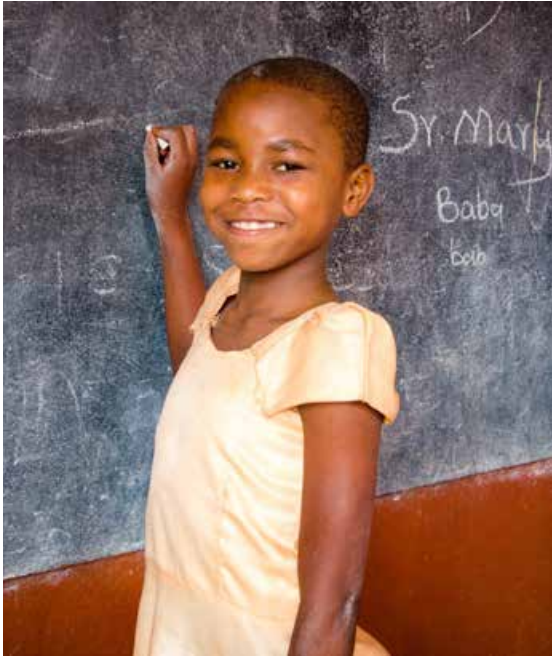
### Neema site Songea, Tanzania



Chalice partnered with the Sisters of Visitation Congregation of Alleppey of India in the remote district of Songea in 2008. Many families are affected by HIV/AIDS, leaving children in the care of elderly grandparents. The Sisters help in providing quality education in remote villages where they have founded a pre- primary, primary and secondary school as well as the Neema Visitation orphanage. They have also created a dispensary and a girl's hostel. The site also works to improve the community as a whole by initiatives such as community gardens, small livestock projects, better housing, and workshops for parents on health, hygiene and nutrition.



### Child



- The Neema site supports 350 sponsored children.
- 98.2% of sponsored children successfully transitioned to the next grade.
- 13 sponsored youth completed their tertiary studies in masonry, carpentry, driving, tailoring, computer studies, hotel management and healthcare. The youth are now employed.
- 158 children received a thorough medical checkup at the St. Norbert Health Facility and Nakawale Health dispensary.
- 4 schools were provided with food through Chalice's school farming program.
- Site staff trained 251 children on topics of water, sanitation and hygiene, specifically in preventing the spread of COVID-19.



### Family

- Neema site works with 350 parents and guardians organized into 18 family circles.
- 69 men and women were trained on entrepreneurship and supported to start small businesses.
- About 45 beneficiaries from the Baraka, Furaha and Tumaini family circles are involved in poultry farming.
- 15 families of sponsored children began goat farming.
- 25 members of the Chandaruwa group are involved in fish farming and 15 families of sponsored children from the Mwengeshindwa group are undertaking pig farming.
- Site staff engaged more than 100 families in an initiative to improve their home vegetable gardens and increase their yield to become profitable income-generating plots.
- One family circle, Tumaini, gave 150 eggs as Christmas gifts to vulnerable children in their community.
- The families who improved their crop yield gave 1 kg each to the church to be shared to the impoverished community members.




### Community

- Through the support of Chalice donors, the site improved access to clean water for: 10 families in Chandaria community, 250 families in Mkongo, the Nakawale dispensary, 50 families in St. Xavier School and 200 families in Mitoronji.
- The site improved access to clean water for: 415 students at Chandaruwa schools, 400 students at St Xavier School and 270 students at Mitoronji school.
- 2 schools, Chandaruwa and Mitoroniji, renovated their toilet facilities and improved their water access and supply.
- The site provided St. Xavier's Secondary School with computers which has given over 400 children access to technology.
- The site also assisted children from 13 impoverished families in higher education to pay their fees.
- 300 families received food packages, 2 hens and 1 rooster.

