## **NESHURO CARING CENTER**

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In September, I was part of a team of Americans who were privileged to visit the Neshuro Caring Center (NCC). We spent time speaking with Shylet Chigohi, the children, some of the NCC Board members, and also adults who once lived at the NCC as teenagers. We visited the schools next to NCC and the farm that the NCC owns.

We also took part in a conference that was held at the NCC for 3 days. What I took away from that trip was that the NCC is much more than an orphanage for kids in need. It's also a spiritual anchor for the community and surrounding churches that were started by Nhamo Chigohi before his untimely death. About 10 churches came together for the conference held at the NCC and the energetic praise and worship and teaching that occurred over the those few days was a huge testimony to the people's love for Jesus and their hunger for God's Word.





We spent time with George Tsumele, who is incredibly positive and has a contagious laugh. He was at NCC from 2005-2012. He is a current Board member has remained an active advocate for the NCC even after finishing university, starting his own business, and getting married. He told us that he didn't know where he would be today if it weren't for the care he received from Nhamo and Shylet Chigohi while at NCC. He said that his life could have included being a drunkard or not knowing Jesus Christ if he had not been given the opportunities to continue his schooling and be part of a church family where he was discipled in his faith in Jesus.

#### Photos

Top left: Children listening to a sermon
Top right: Adults learning at a breakout session
Middle left: Shylet Chigohi, Tfadzwe Chigohi
(Shylet's son), George Tsumele
Bottom right: Some of the attendees during
the conference held at the NCC







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## Hopes and Dreams

When playing games with the children at NCC, I got to see how they interacted with each other - who was competitive, quiet, dramatic, shy, or outgoing...it felt like I could have been watching my own kids at home with all their idiosyncrasies. The kids at NCC have the same hopes and dreams that kids in the States have - to finish school, get a job, get married, and have a family of their own. The only difference is that they don't have the same financial resources as most of our kids in the States do. Not only have they lost their parents, but attending school is a financial challenge since public schools have fees and require uniforms, on top of school supplies, etc.





Will you consider becoming a monthly donor?

The biggest need of NCC right now is for donors to partner with Servants of Christ International (SOCI) in supporting the children every month. The monthly budget required to buy food, and clothing, pay for school fees and uniforms, as well as pay the widows who are house mothers at NCC is not yet fully pledged. There have been some one-time donations that have bridged the gap for SOCI to be able to send funds to Shylet for the kids. But at this time, the funds are low.

Will you consider giving monthly and create opportunities for more children to have stories like George's?



#### **DONATE**

https://servantsintl.org/ (select Neshuro Caring Center from "missionaries")

> Or Send Check to Servants of Christ Int' 852 S. Carriage Dr MILLIKEN CO 80543 (with NCC in memo)

#### PRAY FOR

- More Financial Partners
- Shylet and the house
- The children's last schoo term for 2023 (Sep-Nov)

#### FUTURE PROJECTS

- Upgrade the NCC School to include Forms 5 & 6 (High School)
- Build a larger chapel

# MEET TWO NESHURO CHILDREN

## **ABIOT SHUMBA**

My name is Abiot Shumba. I am almost 17 and doing Form 3 (10th grade) at Masogwe Baptist Secondary. I was born on the 14th of October 2006. Both my parents are dead. My grandparents came to NCC when I was doing grade school to ask for help and be taken in at the center since they could not sponsor my education. Fortunately, I was accepted and I started living at the center. I want to be a nurse when I finish school. I accepted God as the Savior of my life at NCC. I like playing chess.





### SELMA SITHOKOZILE MLILO

My name is Selma Sithokozile Mlilo. I am a girl aged 18 born April 5, 2005. My father passed on when I was 2 years old. After the death of my father, my mother ran away in search of a better life. I was left in the care of my grandparents who could not pay for my school fees and brought me to NCC. I came here when I was in Form 1 (8th grade) and currently, I am doing Form 4 (11th grade) at Masogwe Baptist Secondary. I will take my Ordinary Level Examinations this semester. I want to be a nurse when I grow up. This place has taught me to pray to God and live with others harmoniously. I like playing netball.





