



## Blind Grandmother Sees Hope for the Future

By Binwel Mwila, FARM STEW Trainer in Kisalala Village, Zambia

Beauty Kambuta, who is blind and a widow, lives in Kisalala Village, Zambia. After her husband passed away, Beauty also lost her daughter to illness. Her daughter left behind her young children, and Beauty became their guardian, **choosing to raise her grandchildren and give them a home**, despite her disability.

Each day was a struggle. Beauty had **no steady source of food or income** and depended on small, inconsistent handouts. Many days were filled with worry as she wondered how she would feed the children.

Then you helped send **FARM STEW trainers to Kisalala to share the goodness of God**, and to teach families how to become self-reliant. A neighbor, aptly named Rejoice, invited Beauty to join the training.



You have restored hope to Beauty and her grandchildren.



Beauty and Rejoice, who has been helping her, stand proudly in her garden.

Slowly, change came. Trainers and volunteers helped Beauty to start a garden and taught her how to prepare the soil, plant vegetables, and care for crops. She is learning that she does not have to depend only on the rainy season. With the right methods, **she can grow food year-round** to feed her grandchildren, and sell the surplus.

Today, Beauty carries more than responsibility. **She carries hope**. With the help of her two oldest grandchildren, ages 12 and 14, and FARM STEW volunteers, she is growing a flourishing garden.

**Though she cannot see with her eyes, God is restoring another kind of sight through you (Luke 4:18)**. Beauty now sees a way forward and has renewed faith, new hope, and lasting skills to care for her grandchildren!

## A Curiosity Changed His Life

By Leydis Delgado, FARM STEW Trainer in Cuba



Raudel's life and garden are now flourishing, thanks to you!

Raudel of La Piedra, Cuba, first encountered FARM STEW when he stopped out of curiosity to listen to a farming lesson I was teaching. **That moment sparked a transformation**. Through Bible studies and practical training, Raudel embraced healthier living—giving up pork and coffee, improving his enterprise efforts, and adopting sustainable farming. He replaced coffee plants with raised vegetable beds and began growing nutritious foods. His home became

a testimony, inspiring neighbors. **Now an active missionary**, Raudel brings others to church weekly and shares FARM STEW principles. See his story here: [farmstew.link/Raudel](https://farmstew.link/Raudel)



# Celebrating New and Abundant Life in West Africa

By Barry Kalil Mamadou, FARM STEW Team Leader in Senegal

There are 720 people in Ndongol, Senegal, now working with FARM STEW trainers that you sent, and learning to live a more abundant life. Through weekly personal connection, they have built deep trust and **inspired many to embrace not just improved livelihoods but also renewed faith in Christ.**

The lifestyle of these participants has changed dramatically. Now, in each FARM STEW home, we can see gardens, compost piles, and tippy-taps next to clean latrines. We can see the commitment of men, women, and young people to income-generating activities, as **they have all come to understand that work and entrepreneurship are part of God's plan for humanity.** The participants were thrilled to discover the many ways to consume soybeans—transforming them into milk, mandazi, cakes, etc.—and especially to learn how to cultivate this staple food and address the problem of malnutrition in the area.

After months of consistent weekly hands-on training and personal connection, **67 people gave their lives to Jesus and were baptized** in January. FARM STEW training continues in Ndongol, and trainers, volunteers, and **these new Christians continue to share the practical gospel with others.** More FARM STEW participants are preparing for baptism in the near future. Ndongol village stands as a living testimony of God's work through FARM STEW and you.



## Your Gifts are Leading to “Aha” Moments

By Charlene Solano, FARM STEW Trainer with PAMAS in the Philippines

In an emergency, a loan can feel like a lifesaver. But the **Bible warns, “The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender”** (Proverbs 22:7, NKJV). This truth becomes a painful reality for many who don't understand the burden of large debt and high interest rates.

FARM STEW addresses this through the Money Map, a series of nine Bible-based lessons from Crown Financial Ministries. In Natampod Village, when we asked who had debt, nearly every hand went up. When asked who wanted to be debt-free, everyone raised their hands—**revealing a deep desire for freedom.**

In a lesson on spending, participants sorted items into “needs” and “wants.” At first, everything was placed under



“needs”! Together, **we learned to prioritize essentials** and save gradually for the rest. Participants also discovered that saving for emergencies, education, and the future **can protect them from predatory lenders—and even traffickers** who pose as helpers.

“Aha!” one mother said. “Now I understand why it's so hard to save—we buy what we don't need.” She has since joined a FARM STEW Village

Savings and Loan Association and is **growing her income through saving and business.**

We praise God for these “aha” moments. **Thank you for your support and prayers** as families learn biblical principles and pursue abundant life in Jesus.



# Water is Finally Flowing, Thanks to You

By Hillary Zebron, FARM STEW Country Coordinator with Wilderness Gate in Zambia

Bringing safe water to communities is urgent work—and you are making it possible, especially in countries where many rural families rely on unsafe sources. **But before the first drop of clean water flows, there is a journey.** Villages first receive FARM STEW training and must put these Bible-based lessons into practice, becoming FARM STEW-certified. Once certified, they become eligible for a borehole well if improved water access is needed.

In the past, **using local contractors has often been slow, costly, and difficult**—especially in remote areas.



Now, thanks to you, that is changing in Zambia. As we share the message of Living Water—Jesus (John 4 and 7)—FARM STEW Zambia now has its own Village Drill. This portable, hand-operated rig **allows teams to move faster**, reach remote communities, and drill at lower cost.

After intensive hands-on training this quarter, the team is ready. Across Zambia, FARM STEW-certified villages are waiting—and **your support is helping clean, lifesaving water to finally flow.**



See it in action here:  
[farmstew.link/water1Q2026](https://farmstew.link/water1Q2026)



## Teaching Value Addition and Biblical Values

By Abraham Konate, Agronomist and FARM STEW Team Leader in Burkina Faso



Do you remember the story we told about a group of women in Burkina Faso who earned an income selling squash they grew? (3rd Quarter 2025 Newsletter)

After completing two growing cycles of squash, the group evaluated their results using FARM STEW principles and found that squash is susceptible to disease, which reduced their profits. Because of this, **the women decided to diversify their cash crops.**

They began growing larger quantities of onions, cabbage, and especially tomatoes, instead of squash.

However, the group still faced one challenge: the market price for fresh tomatoes was low because supply exceeded demand. **This is where the idea of “Value Addition” comes in!**

Thanks to **the training from their FARM STEW training the women began learning how to process the tomatoes into canned and sundried products** that last longer and sell for a higher price.

From a 100kg crate of tomatoes, they produced 20 cans of processed tomatoes, each one selling for 3,000 CFA francs (\$5). **This doubled their income!** Thanks to you, they also learned biblical values of how to spend and save.

The group plans to continue adding value to their other crops as well and use the profit to fence and protect their garden. They are **grateful to you, the FARM STEW Family**, for the opportunity to be entrepreneurs.



# Reaching Oromo People in Ethiopia

By Ayinalem Dirbaba, Virtual Learning Community Lead Oromo Language

When I attended training in Malawi to become a **Virtual Learning Community (VLC) leader** in the Oromo language (spoken by 40 million people), I didn't expect it to change how I see my purpose. But it did.

What impacted me most was seeing how **practical, hands-on teaching—grounded in biblical faith**—can change lives. The things

we are teaching are not just theory. This knowledge is something people can use right away, especially those who are struggling.

When I returned home I began inviting people to attend the free online VLC. Encouragingly, many responded with interest and excitement. Fifty-nine people have enrolled already! Experience has shown me how important it is to teach others how to live healthy, purposeful lives—and how **one training can begin a ripple effect of change**. Learn more here: [farmstew.link/VLCTOT](https://farmstew.link/VLCTOT)



Ayinalem (left) with Joy (middle) and other VLC leaders.



## A Faithful FARM STEWARD



What is a FARM STEWARD? It's someone who **loves FARM STEW and actively shares its mission**, resources, and needs with others—through conversation, prayer, and practical outreach.

Lynn Kenemore is a beautiful example of this calling in action. With creativity, she brought FARM STEW to a local flea market—even enduring rain with no roof over her booth! Accompanied by her beloved Sheltie, Daisy, Lynn used every opportunity to connect with people. As visitors stopped to pet Daisy, **Lynn placed a FARM STEW newsletter into their hands** and joyfully shared how lives are being transformed.

Her outreach didn't stop there. Lynn followed up with interested individuals, including providing materials to a Bible study group. She also supported her granddaughter in presenting FARM STEW to a junior department, distributing 100 newsletters.

Lynn's story reminds us: **God can use anyone, anywhere**. If you would like us to equip you to be a FARM STEWARD, please reach out by emailing [steward@farmstew.org](mailto:steward@farmstew.org).

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## Time is Short! Jesus is Coming!

As news headlines and posts grow more intense, I'm reminded how short time truly is—**Jesus Christ is coming soon**. Now is the moment to share the practical gospel with every nation, tribe, tongue, and people.

Across Africa, God is at work. In Senegal, 720 people in Ndondol are living transformed lives—gardens are growing, families are nourished, and 67 souls have been baptized. In Burkina Faso, women are multiplying income by processing tomatoes, **turning scarcity into opportunity**.

In Cameroon, entrepreneurship is lifting families out of poverty. In Zambia, a blind grandmother now **sees hope for her grandchildren's future**, and where once lips were parched, water will soon be flowing. All because of your cooperation with God and support of FARM STEW.

In Asia, through practical lessons in financial stewardship and debt freedom, **hearts and habits are changing**. In Latin America, tribes and people are being reached to learn of better gardening techniques and of Jesus' plan for abundant life!

Thank you for investing in FARM STEW. Your support is not only feeding bodies and eliminating debts—it is **preparing hearts for Jesus' soon coming!** Together, we are hastening His return.

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