



# TLC October, November and December 2015 in Tabora, Tanzania

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*in informal partnership with Tanzanian Children's Education Trust (TCET)*

**Tabora League for Children: Working with orphans and vulnerable children and their families in 3 TLC Centres: Isevya, Ng'ambo and Chem Chem all within the Tabora Municipality.**

If you would like to help please make a donation to: "Tabora League for Children" Barclays Bank, Sort code: 209748 A/C No: 63693430 or by Paypal on our website [www.tlctanzania.org](http://www.tlctanzania.org) or [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/TLC Tanzania)



**Christmas** was a great success because of your generosity. Thank you all so much. Some money was used by Crissy (Santa), a returning volunteer, to buy gifts for all the children in Chicago, before setting out for Tabora. She is seen on the left getting the children into the party spirit. There was an excellent Christmas lunch of chips, chicken and salad.



The Christmas money also bought **food parcels**, each containing: 10 kg of rice, 5 kg of beans and 2 kg of small dried fish. These were distributed to the 78 families whose children attend the TLC Centres. The families were delighted with these gifts, as can be seen from the smiles. Originally



we accepted only one child from a family but some recent desperate situations caused us to take four.

The building of the **TLC Chem Chem Centre** is coming on well with the toilet block and perimeter wall completed and the class room up to window height. There is outside space for the children to play. A temporary kitchen will house the fire where the children's meals will be cooked. The tables and benches for the children will be made locally by a carpenter.



Our latest applicant to **TLC needs a sponsor** before she can be helped. The cost is £15 per month which will enable her to have a cooked nutritious lunch 6 days a week, go to nursery school, have health checks and treatment when needed, have friends to play with and benefit from the love and care offered by our dedicated team. She is 4 years old and lives with her mum and 2-year-old brother. The family is very vulnerable, with not enough food to eat.

Can you help raise a smile on this little face?

The **rain water collection tank** in Isevy, donated by Wilmslow Wells for Africa, is nearing completion.



The classroom and office building will be fitted with gutters which will lead into the tank. A foot pump will be used to extract the water from the new tank. This tank will be a great asset. Water is very expensive in dry Tabora if it has to be purchased from the city supply or from wells. A month ago we had to close one of our centres for one day as the staff were unable to find water to purchase.

Our 2015 **Primary School graduates** had a party to celebrate their great achievement. The two girls on the left and the lad on the far right hope to move on to secondary school in January, and the twins are now working for TLC, one in the Isevy and one in the Ng'ambo Centres. Congratulations to all.



**Visitors** are very welcome at our Centres in Tabora. Email us [tlctanzania@gmail.com](mailto:tlctanzania@gmail.com) and we'll have a chat with you about your proposed visit. Talents that you might not know you possess will be put to good use. Recent visitors from the UK, one of them on her 5<sup>th</sup> visit to TLC, painted murals for the Isevy classroom, which delight the children and all that see them, and are also very useful teaching aids. The classroom had been painted plain white a month or so before the artists arrived, so they had a clean slate to work with. There is coloured paint left over if there are other artists who would like to work on the other two centres ??? We are also in need of someone with some careers/college application advice to guide our older (English speaking) children.



**TCET News.** After a lovely Christmas at home the group of students attending private schools are busy preparing for the start of a new school year. Christmas cards have been sent to sponsors. There were some big successes among the students in 2015 with 6 students coming close to the top of their class. These are excellent results and reflect how hard they worked during the year. In addition, one student graduated from primary school and another from secondary. These achievements have been celebrated with ice cream and chicken. It is an exciting time for TCET, with last year's secondary graduates starting their diplomas in Public Services, Agriculture and Teaching. 3 students will be sitting their final secondary school exams this year and, to help with the difficult decisions about their futures, TCET will be running a careers workshop during the Easter holidays. We wish all the children luck for 2016 and hope that they will study hard to achieve their potential.