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*Towards a Replicable Model for Sustainable Rural livelihoods in Africa*

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Once again there have been developments at the centre, and hope this document serves to provide you all with sufficient information to sustain your interests in the project.

**THE DAM.** The Rains have arrived and our “double the size” dam is full.



The cycle of water is our strongest advocate in getting people to become conscious of our relationship with the earth.

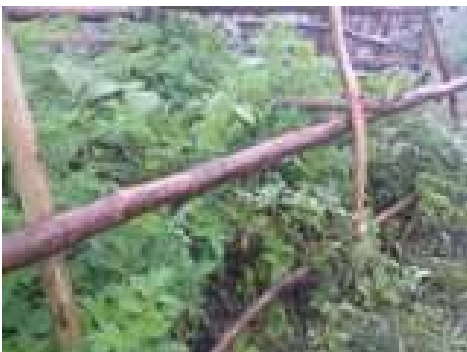
The dam fills the holding tank, which naturally gravitates down to the kitchen and into our bodies. We expel it in the ablution block where it then gets separated so that we can take full advantage of all the energy and nutrients that our own micro systems have added to it, at the same time removing all harmful pathogens. This is then applied in various ways in the gardens enhancing growth and ultimately returns to the dam to complete and continue the next cycle.

**THE BUILDINGS.** Two more rondahvils are complete and the last is a thatching away.



We are already able to accomodate up to ten people and hope by year end to have that figure doubled.

**THE FOOD.** The food gardens are thriving and feeding us a balanced diet.



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**NEWS FLASHES!**

- Erin Ledger, a past volunteer in New York has managed to get a commitment from her company to double any much needed donation we get. We are busy exploring the most efficient way to do this and will revert with the means shortly.
- The local school has approached us to assist them with their gardens and nutrition for the kids in the village. This is an enormous milestone and a relationship that we look forward to strengthen in the future.
- The National building standard and agency has approached us to become a partner of theirs in finding sustainable solutions for the backlog of housing, and improving the set up of infrastructures to improving water and waste deliveries
- The HIV group has formed a yoga school in the village to assist them in supporting each other in there strive to live normal lives.
- The village Moms, under Dianne's guidance have started making jams and chutneys with the produce from their new gardens which we sell in the shop for them.
- The learning centre is coming along nicely and the kitchens foundations are in so i am looking forward to having so much more to tell you in the next update.

