**BETHANY CHILDREN’S HOME AND PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL – Nov 2020**

**Aims and Objectives**:

***To help the most underprivileged, deprived and vulnerable members of society, especially orphaned children, providing education where possible. It will carry out this work with love, commitment, and compassion.***

History Timeline - highlights

* 1989 - Following a request for help Paul Morley and Dave Shaw visited Magu,

 near Mwanza and agreed to provide a Children’s Home.

* 1990 – Land provided adjoining Yitwimila village
* 1991 – Start of Building Project
* 1992 – Registered as a Non Government Organisation ‘The Bethany Project’ 8059
* 1993 – Registered as a Children’s Home with the Ministry for Social Welfare
* 1995 – Phase 1 Dormitories and Clinic building completed
* 1997 – Children arrived.
* 1998 – Landrover arrived from the UK. Funded primarily by Central Gospel

 Mission, with smaller donations from e,g St Pauls School Nelson

* 1999 – Water Tower (32,000 litres) with Solar panels (24), Water pump and

 secondary solar tower with panels (36), charger, inverter and batteries

 installed and provided with the assistance of Rotary International.

* 2003 – New Kitchen and Dining Room built by East Midlands Universities Air

 Squadron

* 2004 – 1st study tour to England by 31 Bethany children for 6 weeks

 Part of Dining Room blown down

* 2005 – Phase 2 Girl’s Dormitories for 60 built by Hope Church, Oswaldtwistle

 Land cruiser purchased via a donation from the RAF Squadron who had

 secured a grant from an insurance company supporting the

 ‘Kids 2 care 4’ charity

* 2006 – Famine relief provided by Bethany to surrounding area

 Refurbishment of old Kitchen and dining room

 2nd study tour to England for 30 Bethany children for 6 weeks

 Old Clinic building converted into classrooms, library, storeroom and

new toilet block

* 2007 – 8 older Bethany students visit England to study for 12 months
* 2008 – New Manager’s House built

 Large Multi – Purpose Building built (later used by older Girls)

 2 Dormitories refurbished

 New Office and Computer Room refurbished

 7 students on completing their studies return to Bethany. 1 boy enters

 further education, 3 boys secure full time work, 2 girls accept teacher

 assistant posts at Isamilo school, Mwanza, 1 girl returned to England

 with 2 more to take a 2 year diploma course in child care and education

* 2009 – 143 children comprising 18 pre school, 94 at Yitwimila Primary School, 7 at

 Sogeska Secondary School, 3 in the UK taking a 2 year diploma in

 Childcare and Education, 3 at Bethany preparing for further study in the

 UK, 7 taking vocational courses and, 3 taking computer training to secure

 employment, 7 training in baby care at Forever Angels home in Mwanza

 and 1 studying hotel management

 3rd Study tour to England for 20 children and 2 staff

* 2010 – Dining Room with serving area and library built to replace existing.
* 2011 – Charity change name from Northern Evangelical Trust to The Bethany

 Project (Tanzania) UK

 Boys (infants/juniors) Dormitory built

* 2012 - 4th Study Tour for 12 children and 2 staff
* 2013 - Jesca and Emmakulatha achieve a 1st class Hons and 2/1 degrees

 respectively from Lancaster University

 1st Bethany newsletter published

 Bethany site (40 acres) purchased from local villagers for £7,200

* 2014 - Jesca and Emmakulatha return to Bethany with UK Teaching Certificates

 Accommodation for Visitors built

 Joyce Malate 1st Bethany girl to be married

 Nkamba, Elizabeth and Stella start their 2 year course in children’s care

 learning and development, joining 5 others at Blackburn College

* 2015 - Phase 1 of the Pre-Primary School built with Toilets and Staff

 accommodation

 School registered

 Emmakulatha (former Bethany child) appointed as Headteacher

 14 older children baptized in Lake Victoria

 Sophia achieves a 1st class Hons at Lancaster University

* 2016 – 5th Study tour to England for 12 children and 1 staff
* 2017 – Phase 2 of the Pre-Primary School built for 216 children enrolled (114

 Bethany and 102 village)

 Daniel Bujiku (manager) and Eliada Bujiku resigned prior to dismissal for

 sexual abuse and collaboration. The new management team of Jesca and

 Mwita (former Bethany children) appointed

 Faustine Duttu appointed as Lawyer for Bethany

 Emmakulatha (HT) marries Zephaniah

* 2018- Accommodation for Headteacher built

 Bethany Board of Directors appointed

 Tractor purchased with funds from the Souter Charitable Trust in the UK

 Former Clinic Block upgraded

* 2019- 6th Study tour to England for 14 children and 2 staff

 The Bethany Book published

 Bethany Construction drawn up

 Chapel/classroom built

* 2020 - Boys (older) Dormitory built

 Tragic Vehicle Accident causing the death of Baraka Juma

 New vehicle appeal raised £46,000