



Summer 2026

Updates

On behalf of the sisters, matrons, children, and local board members, we extend our warmest greetings and heartfelt gratitude to all who so generously support TOUCO. We are pleased to share our Summer 2026 newsletter with you and provide a glimpse of the progress and joy your generosity has made possible. Thank you for continuing to stand with the children and community of TOUCO.

Renovations

The interior renovation of Dorotea Upendo Village at Ibumila is progressing well. New tiles have been installed on the floors and along the corridor walls. The wall tiles will help keep these high-traffic areas clean as the children move throughout the homes. Each house's living room has undergone the most noticeable transformation, and the bedrooms have been refreshed with new paint. The renovated interiors now look bright and welcoming!



Children Delighted with the Renovations



Dorotea Upendo Church

Frater Immanuel

Frater Immanuel was sent by Rt. Rev. Bishop Eusebio Kyando to stay with us for some time as Fr. Walter Msigwa has been reassigned to another parish near the TOUCO farm in Madeke. Frater Immanuel is expected, God willing, to be ordained early next year. He is a strong wonderful seminarian as he does his preaching and visits kids here and there and helps them study!



Frater Immanuel with the TOUCO Kids



Happy with the Renovations!



Joy at Familia Upendo Yerusalem

In Memory of Jack Thompson

TOUCO mourns the passing of Jack LeRoy Thompson, a valued member of our board and a faithful supporter of our mission. Jack lived with a deep love for God, family, and service to others. He was known for his stories, jokes, and generous heart, and his remarkable ability to make those around him feel like part of his family. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife, Gail, his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and the many others who lovingly called him “Papa Bear”. We are deeply grateful for Jack’s commitment to TOUCO and honored that donations in his memory were directed toward continuing its work. His faith, laughter, and compassion touched countless lives, and he will be greatly missed.

Asante, Pumzika Kwa Amani, Jack. (“Thank You” and Rest in Peace” in Swahili)



The Knights of Columbus Honoring Jack at his Funeral

Ronald’s Visit



Fr. Walter and Fr. Bruno Catching Up with Ronald



Dorotea Village Boundary Marked with Tall Trees



Ronald Meeting with Teresina Sisters, Including Newly Elected Leader, Matilda Chuhila



Veronica Makes a Visit and Donates a Motorcycle

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