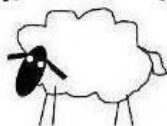




Chimwemwe!



We are happy!



Chimwemwe Children's centre
Blantyre, Malawi

Chimwemwe Children's Centre Alternative Gift List

Are you tired of getting presents that you don't want? Are you fed up of buying presents that you know won't be treasured? Then send an alternative gift.

Chimwemwe Children's Centre supports vulnerable children and their families affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. The project was set-up in January 2009 for the children on the streets of Blantyre, Malawi. It aims to bring long-term change in the lives of the children, by supporting them in their family/community and helping them to gain education and training, to break the cycle of poverty.

Many families in Blantyre cannot afford to send their children to school and instead, send them to beg on the streets or to work. Chimwemwe Children's Centre works with the families and communities of the children to support them and to enable the child to stay in the community and to attend school. We do this by buying uniforms and school books, paying school fees, providing meals (where needed) and offering support and advice to the families.

You can help to support the work of Chimwemwe Children's Centre by buying a gift that will help the children directly.

Uniforms

Although primary schooling is free in Malawi, the children must wear a uniform, which often makes it too expensive for the parents or guardians of the children to afford. As a consequence, the children leave school and fall behind in their education. Chimwemwe works with a local tailor to make the uniforms for the children, to enable them to return to school. The cost of a uniform and its tailoring is **£10**.

School books and School Development Fund

As well as a uniform, the parents/guardians have to provide the school books, pens, pencils and other sundries used at school. Those with children at secondary school also have to pay the school fees, which although minimal, are often too much for the parents or guardians to be able to afford. The cost of books and fees is **£25**.

Meals

Often, providing just one meal a day to the children allows the families to be able to afford to allow them to go to school. Meals for one child for a month costs **£15**.

Sporting equipment

Children are children and they like to play! Chimwemwe Children's Centre provides a safe environment for the children to play in and also provides footballs and other sporting equipment to allow the children to participate in organised games and teams. Buying a football, netball, or other sporting equipment allows the children to have fun. It also helps them to make friends and feel less isolated. The cost of a football or netball is **£10**.

Business Start-Up Grant

Chimwemwe offers small start-up grants and advice to help families and communities to assist them to become independent. The cost of a small start-up grant is **£25.S**

If you would like to buy any of these items as an alternative gift, please complete the order form below.

What will you get?

Well, apart from a warm fuzzy glow and a feeling of having done something that will help others, you will get a card and envelope from Chimwemwe Children's Centre that you can send to whoever you have bought the alternative gift for. The card will show which gift you have bought, and have space for you to write your own message in.

Please help us to help others. Your gifts will make an enormous difference to the children in Malawi. Thank you.

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Order Form:

Your Details:			
Title:	First name:	Surname:	
Address:			
Postcode:			
Order details:	Cost	No.	Total:
Business start-up grant	£25		
Uniform for one child per term	£10		
School books and fees for one child for one term	£25		
Meals for one child for one month	£15		
A football or netball	£10		
	Subtotal:	-	-
	Postage and Packing:	-	£1.50*
	Grand total:	-	-

**Please delete P+P if you are collecting the gifts in person.*

Payment is by **cheque** or **cash** only, but please do not send cash through the post.

Please send your completed form and cheque to:

Chimwemwe Children's Centre
c/o Amanda Fleet
91, Main Street,
Leuchars,
Fife
KY16 0HF

Please make all cheques payable to: **Chimwemwe Children's Centre**