

Let Children Stay in School Exchange Visit



From 2nd to 3rd March 2017, DAPP Malawi's Let Children Stay in School (LCSS) Project recently hosted Roger Federer Foundation implementing partners from Zambia. LCSS co-hosted the partners with Action Aid Malawi in Rumphi district.

The exchange visit was a fulfillment of the pledge the partners made during the December 2016 partners' meeting held in South Africa. The visit by representatives from Zambian Open Community Schools (ZOCS), Reform Open Community Schools (ROCS) and People's Action Forum (PAF) to DAPP and Action Aid projects provided a platform for the partners to share ideas,



PAF reps having porridge at Chaguwu Primary School

learn from one another and exchange best practices.

The Zambian colleagues were inspired with the projects' collaboration with the various stakeholders in the district and how community members were mobilized to support school feeding & promote the newly introduced home-grown school feeding interventions at CBCCs and primary schools.

125 student teachers begin study travel



After 4 months of preparing for the 10 week study travel across the country, 125 student teachers and their Core Group Teachers from DAPP Amalika and Mzimba Teacher Training Colleges left their respective campuses 22nd March, 2017. Throughout the travel, the student teachers plan and execute a journey of investigation, insight and inspiration, where they are tested on a daily basis. They undertake research into the human, social, economic and political conditions. They learn to be mobile and flexible both mentally and physically, moving from place to place. They also learn to solve problems and resolve conflicts, building a sense of team spirit that will prove important during their teacher training and in their future lives as teachers and change agents.



2017 World TB Day Commemoration



World TB Day celebrated on 24 March each year, is an opportunity to raise awareness about the burden of tuberculosis (TB) worldwide and the status of TB prevention and care efforts. It is also an opportunity to mobilize political and social commitment for further progress in efforts to end TB.

This year's national commemoration took place at Goliati Primary School Ground in Thyolo District, the Guest of Honour was Dr. Peter Kumpalume the Minister of Health. Two of DAPP Malawi's projects namely; TB – HIV Integrated Project and TB in the Mining Sector (TIMS) took part in the commemoration whose theme was **"Unite to end TB: Together we can end TB"**.



DAPP at 2017 World TB Day commemoration

2017 is the second year of the two-year "Unite to End TB" campaign for World TB Day. This year, the World Health Organisation placed a special focus on uniting efforts to **"Leave No One Behind"**, including actions to address stigma, discrimination, marginalization and overcome barriers to access care.

The Sustainable Development agenda embraces the principle of ensuring no one is left behind in an effort to transform the world and improve people's lives for the better. Addressing the health needs of the disadvantaged, the marginalized, those out of reach of the health system will mean improving access to health services for everyone.



DAPP staff members joined the world in the commemorations from their various work stations

FAST FACTS

- ❖ DAPP Malawi has since February 2015 been implementing the Integrated HIV - TB Project in Thyolo district which is funded by Comic Relief through TB Alert targeting 140,000 people
- ❖ DAPP Malawi is working in 3 districts, Chiradzulu, Neno and Phalombe targeting 15,000 mining sector key population.