

Social impact and performance

In 2012 our teams will be measuring more of the impact of our microfinance programmes.

We want to ensure that we are reaching the most marginalised people and staying true to our social mission.

We are now starting to measure:

- % of the lending made to rural clients
- % of the lending made to women clients
- % of clients attending business training

In May 2012, our African programme leaders will come together for a regional conference to review social impact and performance.



Expansion into post-conflict communities

Following the generosity of supporters during The Big Give week in December, our Uganda team will be starting a new project in the previously war-torn communities around Kitgum in Northern Uganda. We will be visiting and making a short film in March, so that you can see more of the difference microfinance can make.



Come and see for yourself

We are planning a number of self-funded Vision Trips in 2012. Five days of meeting inspiring entrepreneurs and the microfinance team on the ground. If you are interested in visiting one of our East Africa partners, [get in touch](#).



Did you know?

Esther Nakamate, programme leader for Five Talents Uganda, will be visiting the UK for a week from 10th March. She will be visiting various supporters. If you would like to meet her, [drop us an email](#).

We often get asked, How Christian are you? Why not find out for yourself by reading our [Ten Principles of Partnership](#) and discover how our work is motivated by our faith.

Photo Exhibition: Chester

Five Talents supporters Ken and Janis Lewis have hired Chester Town Hall for a promotional fundraising event on Wednesday 8 February. Opportunity to buy outstanding photos of our clients, captured beautifully through the lens of talented photographer and long-term supporter, [Adam Dickens](#). From 6:30pm, do invite family and friends in the North West. Read more [here](#).

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Meet the team

Lillian Mwikali is a loan officer in the town of Thika, central Kenya. She works with 36 savings-led groups consisting of over 3100 clients. We asked Lillian a few questions. You can read her full answers on our website [here](#)

"...I spend at least 2 days in a week in the field where I meet on average 70 clients/ two savings groups"

"Having been working in Thika for over three years now, there is nothing as fascinating and fulfilling as getting to witness success stories of our clients' transformation in all spheres and specifically at the home fronts. Getting to see women gaining financial independence and make key decisions at the home and business fronts has added to my joy of looking forward to a new day whether at the office or in the field..."

[Read the full interview here](#).

Wanted!

Expertise in [SalesForce.com](#). We would be delighted to hear from experienced users who can help and advise the team as we upgrade our use of this database. If you know of someone, get it touch.

Supporters at Spring Harvest. We will be exhibiting at Minehead during the Easter period. If you would like to assist on our stand for a short time, let us know. Otherwise, be sure to drop by and say hello.

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