

Five Talents News

Welcome to our Newsletter. In this issue...

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Monica runs two successful businesses...



Monica's business is slightly different to many of Mama Bahati Foundation clients. She deals in **dining ware and plastics** from her market stall in Kihesa, Tanzania. She is fortunate in having a good position in the Kihesa market as there are many passers by. "The loans from MBF have brought more **stability to our household** and my relationship with my husband." Since taking the small loans, Monica has purchased a plot of land, a sewing machine and some of her own furniture. In the last year she has **diversified into tailoring clothes** from home for some of her clients.

Go to www.fivetalents.org.uk/page-tanzania.html to read more about the Tanzania project.

Volunteers pull out all the stops



Volunteers have been helping us at the Keswick Convention, New Wine, and in our UK office. Thank you everyone! If you would like to support us financially please go to:

www.fivetalents.org.uk/page-how-to-give.html



Colleen joins the team in Peru... Colleen is working with the Ecumenical Church Loan Fund (ECLOF) as a Marketing and Development Specialist.

Over the past week she has been busy assisting the northern Lima office accompanying loan officers during their visits with entrepreneurs in the shantytowns in Independencia, Carabayello, Comas, and Puente Piedra. Go to <http://colleen-in-peru.blogspot.com/> to read her blog.

Thomas Anei:

From Child Soldier to Five Talents Project Officer

Thomas Anei (above) served as a child soldier in the Sudan People's Liberation Army. His life journey from soldier to priest and project worker is extraordinary.

He is now serving as a Five Talents 'Fellow' in Liethom in Southern Sudan coordinating the business training and assisting the village bank.

He hopes to visit the UK at the end of October. Please pray for his visa and trip. Watch this space!

To read more about the Sudan go to:

www.fivetalents.org.uk/page-sudan.html

Songs of Praise

Five Talents excerpt from BBC1 Songs of Praise is now available online. Go to: www.youtube.com/watch?v=3iREFMSMDGo to watch the 3 minute clip.

Charity of the Year

Five Talents has been shortlisted for the Charity Times 'Charity of the Year' Award. We are one of nine charities nationwide for this accolade. Go to www.charitytimes.com/pages/charity_times_awards/index.htm to read more.