## Donate to build a motor vehicle repair school Zimbabwe

Joseph Tegwere April 21, 2015 Harare, Zimbabwe



Reverend Joseph Tegwere, the Blessed Family Department Director in Zimbabwe, and his wife, Yasuko, are raising funds to build an automobile school of engineering in Harare, Zimbabwe. Rev. Tegwere is a motor vehicle engineer and manager, with 30 years of experience in the field. After learning that the young generation in his community is indulging in serious drug abuse and juvenile delinquency and experiencing unemployment, he was determined to help change their fate.

"When I go into a deep thought about the plight of these children, my heart aches," he explained. "I was once like them when I dropped out of school because my parents could not afford to pay school fees for me. I would spend much of my time in the streets, until one day my poor uncle sat down with me and gave me some advice which later turned into gold. He told me that he had no money, but said that I had power in my own hands to shape my future destiny and all I needed was determination."

At age 16, Rev. Tegwere raised money for school fees by starting an egg-selling business. Despite a rigorous schedule, waking up at 4:30am to sell eggs before going to class, he rapidly received his junior certificate. After finishing school, he was employed by one of the government mechanical departments. He later joined the registrar of apprenticeship and skilled manpower of Zimbabwe and underwent training until he became a first class artisan. He further studied motor vehicle engineering and received an advanced diploma whilst working. In 1999 he was selected to go to Rover Technical Academy in the United Kingdom for an automotive engineering course. He can now invent new engineering ideas that can benefit the world, and is currently designing a new environmentally friendly engine. Rev. Tegwere has trained many people during his work, and some are working in other countries such as South Africa, Namibia, Canada, Australia, Britain, New Zealand, the United States and at the United Nations.

"I want to give the teens more than bread by teaching them how to make bread," said Rev. Tegwere. "By opening a motor vehicle engineering school, I have confidence that these teens, in the streets and the unemployed, can be turned into engineers who can contribute to the global manpower for the betterment of the world."

However, Rev. Tegwere has tried to receive loans from the bank to no avail, and faces a financial block to making this dream come true. You can support the establishment of the automotive engineering school by contributing to this project.

"I have made rough estimates for starting the school," calculated Rev. Tegwere. "The land would require about \$24,000, provisional structures \$30,000 and training equipment \$23,000, making up a total of \$77,000. With determination I can make it happen but your help is of paramount importance."

Rev. Tegwere and his team intend to start the project in May, 2015 and hope it can grow to become a world class school for automotive engineering in Southern Africa. Find out more, watch a video from the Tegweres, and contribute at the link <a href="http://gogetfunding.com/project/fund-for-a-automobile-engineering-school">http://gogetfunding.com/project/fund-for-a-automobile-engineering-school</a>

### About This Campaign

#### A LIFE THAT I GAINED SKILL

I am a man of 52 years of age of Zimbabwean nationality residing in the capital city Harare. My profession is motor vehicle engineering and management. I have 30 years of experience in the field. After working for 20 years under the ministry of Home Affairs I retired in 2012.

#### A KNIFE NOT SHARPENED GROWS DULL

I have learnt with sorrow that the young generation in my community are indulging in serious drug abuse, juvenile delinquency and they are unemployed.

#### I WAS TRAINED BY MY WOUNDS

When I go into a deep thought about the plight of these children my heart aches with a sharp pain piercing through it. I was once like them when I dropped out of school because my parents could not afford to pay school fees for me. I would spend much of my time in the streets until one day my poor uncle sat down with me and gave me some advice which later turned into gold. He told me that he had no money but said that I had power in my own hands to shape my future destiny and what I only needed was determination, and not money. He indicated to me that money comes after determination. I was touched by his speech and that changed my mindset to one of determination. I was 16 years at that time. I sneaked into my mothers' knitting room and found about 10 small bundles of yarn and I sold them in the neighbourhood and told them that I needed money for my school fees and in a short time they were all bought. The money was so little that I could only buy one dozen of large eggs and egg selling became my new found business. In a short space of time I was buying a crate (30 eggs). In 3 months I could buy and sell 10-15 crates per two weeks. I could raise money to do my first course with Speciss college in motor maintenance and repairs and at the same time I enrolled my acedemic studies with rapid results college of which I did junior certificate and o'level in maths, English and physics, I did few because of money. I divided my time and in the morning I would wake up at 4:30am and went out selling eggs door to door and at 6a.m l would return home and prepare to go to school. At around 1:30p.m school would end and l would rush to the egg market to order crates of eggs to sell the next morning. Through that I managed to finish my school. I tried to enroll for further studies at the only Polytechnic college in Harare but I was denied entry because they needed 5 o'levels so I was stranded. I was eventually employed by one of the government mechanical department and I used the certificate I got from Speciss college but it was lower quality and I could only do motor vehicle services under strict supervision.

I later joined the registrar of apprenticeship and skilled manpower of Zimbabwe and under went training until I became a artisan class one. I further studied motor vehicle engineering from certificate ,diploma and advanced diploma whilst working. I became a foreman 2, foreman 1, workshop manager, national trainer ad transport policy project team manager. In 1999 I was selected through an engineering test to go to Rover Technical Academy in the United Kingdom for an Automotive engineering course and orientation. I am now a motor vehicle engineer because I can now do modifications on vehicles and I can invent new engineering ideas that can benefit the world. I am designing a new engine which could be environmentally friendly I termed it a High Speed steam engine. I will not say much about it.

# I WANT TO GIVE THE TEENS MORE THAN BREAD BY TEACHING THEM HOW TO MAKE BREAD

By opening a motor vehicle engineering school I have confidence that these teens in the streets and the unemployed can be turned into engineers who can contribute to the global manpower for the betterment of the world. I have trained many people, during my work and some are working in other countries like South Africa, Namibia, Canada, Australia, Britain, New Zealand, America and to the United Nations. By opening a school of engineering I will solve some problems in my community and I can not do it without help from the world communities. I tried to get loans from the banks to no avail. I am now faced with serious financial problems to make this dream come true. I can now understand the plight of someone like Mr. Rudolph Christian Karl Diesel who designed a four stroke compression ignition engine which used a certain oil which was called diesel after his name and his engine was also called diesel engine after him. But the sad story is that he incurred a lot of debts during the process of inventing the engine. It is believed that Mr. Diesel committed suicide because of the debts, he was in a serious financial problem and he died before he could enjoy the fruits of his engine. Today the world uses his engine for industrial,

highway and marine applications. Mr. Diesel never benefited from all this.

I would like to appeal to people of the world to help by funding the establishment of the Automotive engineering school. I have made rough quotations for starting the school. Land \$24 000, Provisional structures \$30 000 and training equipment \$23 000 making a total of \$77 000. We intend to start the project in May. If we get started the school can grow to a world class school of Automotive engineering in Southern Africa. With determination I can make it happen but your help is of paramount importance.

Your dollar or more will help a long way for the realisation of this dream. You might say in your heart that a dollar is small for the project but imagine that many drops of water form the oceans of the world, so nothing is too small for a higher goal. Your dollar can change someone's life for good.

#### YOUR DONATION MUST BE USED PRAYERFULLY

In return for your donation I will pray for you 12 minutes everyday for 40 days so that God can help you in other ways you wish in your life. My prayer condition will cover even to those who read this project and have a heart to help, but have no money, because that heartistic support is regarded as a donation. I will then ask you to do what your heart tells you to do. Thank you several times, I love you, GOD BLESS YOU