

Kondoa Diocese Secondary School, Chemba

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History

- The vision for a Secondary School at Chemba has been around as long as for the Primary School in Kondoa, perhaps even longer
- The land for the Chemba Secondary School was originally set aside for the Australian organisation World Vision in the 1990s
- World Vision's *modus operandi* is to remain for 10 years and then leave – during which time they operated clinics and teaching centres in Chemba
- Following World Vision's exit towards the end of the 1990s, the Chemba land was given to the Anglican Diocese of Kondoa – however, because the area was originally large, half the land was taken back by the Chemba Council to build retirement homes for State workers such as the Police and Teachers etc
- The current land area is 17.5 acres – Bishop Given began building the Chemba School in 2012/2013 in an effort to retain the land for the Anglican Diocese rather than lose it due to inactivity
- In 2016 a water bore was drilled successfully but the windmill/eco-pump system failed – this had to be revitalised with three-phase power in 2023 ready for water reticulation in early 2024
- Government regulations require certain buildings to open a Secondary School:
 - 4 Class rooms – completed in 2022/23
 - Workshops - incomplete
 - Dormitories – 2 complete – originally one for girls and one for boys (BUT an additional accommodation block is required because the current two are considered too close together to house boys and girls!)
 - Lavatory Block – being completed
 - Dining/ Assembly Hall – being completed
 - Store – incomplete
 - Science Block – two are required: Physics and Chemistry and Biology & Geography
 - Administration Block and Staffroom - incomplete
 - Library – incomplete

Funding

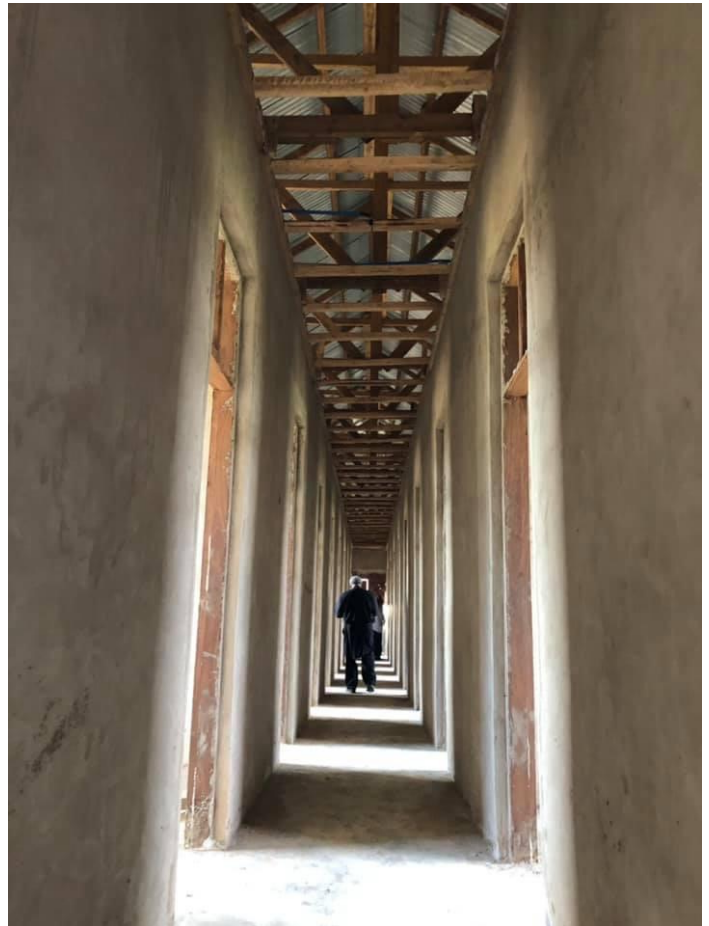
- A good part of the ongoing funding for the Chemba School has been provided by the Rochester Diocese Poverty & Hope Appeal, which runs annually in the UK Diocese
- But the majority of the funding has come from the Diocese of Tennessee in the USA plus some funding from Trinity, Wall Street, USA
- Progress on the project has struggled due to lack of persistent funding – but a significant amount has been achieved over the years

Present Day

- The current Chemba site has come a long way towards being operational with the two dormitory blocks complete, the Dining/Assemble building almost finished and with four classrooms – recently added has been power, water, power reticulation, and toilet blocks - with science laboratories (existing building will be converted to Admin/Staff rooms and storage, still required)
- A recent injection of funds will see the Chemba site at least operational:
 - Electricity – three-phase power will be provided to the water bore and reticulated to the key buildings on the Chemba site
 - Water - the water bore is being fixed and water reticulated around the site
 - Toilets - two toilet blocks and a large septic tank are being constructed
 - Dining/Assembly Hall – lighting and chairs/tables
 - Classrooms – lighting and glass windows
- Still required is funding for:
 - The Science Laboratories – one for Physics and Chemistry, and one for Biology and Geography
 - Fencing, road access/car park and general surrounds

At this point it should be possible to register and open the Secondary School

The key aim is to have the Chemba Secondary School ready in two years' time – when the first pupils from St Peter & St Paul's Primary School are ready for Secondary School!



The Girls Dormitory in Chemba in August 2017 and completed in October 2023,



Bishop Given and his son Amani making bricks at the Chemba Secondary School site with the young people from St Peter & St Paul in August 2017



The Chemba Girls and Boys Dormitories emerging from the ground in August 2017



The Foundations of the Dining/Assembly Hall in August 2017



Bishop James of Rochester UK laying the Foundation Stone for the Dining/Assembly Hall in May 2018



The Dining/Assembly Hall close to completion in October 2023



The construction of two classrooms in July 2018



Classrooms completed by October 2023