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## Introduction

The foundation Bouwen met Bouma's has been erected in 2005. Four brothers Bouma (Durk, Willem, Herman and Klaas) have visited Zambia for the first time in 2006, together with Yt, Durk's wife.

A fifth brother, Johannes Bouma, was a missionary for years in Zambia. He was and is the big inspiration source for the foundation. He also brought us in contact with people of the local BmB-board that we can rely on.

With physical and financial support for small-scale (building-)projects, the foundation tries to make a world of difference.



## From the chairman....

While writing I remembered the sentence I started with last year; 2020 was a special year for us. But as it turns out, 2021 hasn't gotten any less special. We thought we said goodbye to the coronavirus, but nothing turns out to be less true.

Despite the limitations, we were quite busy as a foundation. In the past period, a lot of work has been done on the student housing project at the Kaoma Trade Institute. The building is almost finished! The virus is also causing delays in Zambia. The materials are more difficult to supply and that affects the construction pace. But when the project is completed, it will accommodate 32 students. And that is a great result.

Construction coordinator Herman Bouma traveled to Kaoma on 28 October for a period of 7 weeks. Partly to see how the project is progressing at the Trade Institute, but especially to be able to discuss plans for the future with the local board. We have noticed that we have really missed the direct contact with the local board. Of course, many things can be arranged remotely via app, telephone or email, but nothing beats personal contact.

Next year, as an extension of the existing school, 3 classrooms will be built in Mahilo. The school currently consists of 13 classrooms, but urgently needs extra classroom space. In total, about 1500 students attend this school. The ultimate aim is to limit the number of students per room to a maximum of 45. The ultimate aim is to improve the quality of education through a smaller group size. The project in Mahilo has been submitted as a goal for the fasting campaign. The project was prepared together with the Clara van Assisi parish from Drachten and the Fransiscus van Assisi parish from Assen. We hope that at the end of this year a positive decision has been taken about our project. The latest news about this can be found on our website.



Board BMB: The Netherlands  
Wytze Bouma  
Willem Bouma  
José Lenes  
Herman Bouma  
Marjanne Schaper  
Wilmer Bouma



We can continue our work through the great support of a large group of regular donors and various actions. This year we also received a large amount from an inheritance.

On behalf of the foundation, I would like to thank you for all your support and I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter.

*Wytze Bouma*



## Fratelli Tutti

The words above are most touching. St. Francis of Assisi used these, inspiring his listeners to accept one another as brothers and sisters without considering any one's faith, race, color of skin or material situation they find themselves in.

The present Pope Franciscus, a great admirer of his namesake, centuries ago, borrowed these words as title for the Encyclical (booklet) on brotherhood and social friendship, he wrote at the end of last year. Deeply touched by one special phrase of St. Francis he invites us to a love surpassing geographical boundaries and space. He calls anyone "blessed" who loves the others equally whether they are far away or nearby.

In simple words the Pope talks about true and open friendship that enables one to acknowledge, appreciate and love any other person disregarding their place of birth, home country, color of skin or material circumstances. Neither are some possible uncommon features ever a reason to refuse genuine love.

With joyful expectation we are each year looking ahead for the coming of Christ at Christmas, filled with an immense desire to become better fellow people that contribute to the making of a friendlier world around us and far beyond.

No wonder that we wish one another PEACE in today's often restless, discontent and endless warring mankind.

From my innermost heart I wish you, dear co-workers and benefactors of Bouwen met Bouma's, a worthy Christmas celebration and a special joyous 2022 without any further Covid-19 misery.

Those who are still doubting though, I urge to join BmB in assisting the needy in helping themselves.

*With kind regards.  
p. Johannes Bouma cmm  
Missionaris van Mariannahill  
St. Paul, Arcen*



## A warm bath



After almost 2 years I'm back, back home in Kaoma. Coming home to Kaoma feels always like a warm bath to me, but this time it's very special. No, I'm not talking about the temperature, during the day it's 30 degrees or even more and at night no lower than 22 degees, but you'll get used to it.

No, I experience the warm bath when I meet enthusiastic people. In the first place of course seeing the board again, but also people on the street, who spontaneously call to me: "Hello Mr. Bouma you're back, back home again. How long do you stay? We missed you. Now you really have to stay"

But perhaps more often they ask for Fr. John. What an incredibly deep impression this man must have left here. It always moves me deeply.

Project 2021: The constuction of the hostels/ dormitory for the students of the Kaoma Trades Institute looks very good. Great professionals. Or that's because BmB I like to believe of course but to be sure.....There is still a lot of work to be done to make the hand over possible before, half December, I leave again.

Hopefully it will work because project 2022 will start already in January. In the meanwhile we are also thinking about project 2023.

For anyone wondering what the board in Kaoma does? So this! She is looking for new projects, consults with BmB Netherland, develops them, cooperates where necessary, monotort them untill the hand over to the Government. But they are not ready yet, from time to time they visit the previous buildings to see how they look.

A flower in the bush, what the people called in Kasompa the classroom block under constuction in 2020, they were right, there is not only a beautiful building but the number of pupils has almost doubled.

*Herman Bouma, coordinator/photographer*



## From the chairman of BmB Zambia

BmB what a God given organisation to the people of Kaoma in the Western Province.

It's not agreeable to imagine that there could be such a powerfull and well focused organisation.

In this district of Kaoma. This organisation was started by the man called Fr. John Bouma, a catholic priest of course. The cledge was a parish priest at St. Martin de Porres, born in The Netherlands some ninty one years ago.

It strated jokingly and simply with two groups of two boards, one was The Netherlands based. The main task of the Neterlands board is to source for the funds and Kaoma one is construction of classroom blocks in schools in need, and in other instutions like hospitals.

Trough this newly formed organisation classroom blocks in Chilombo, Namasheshe, Mwanawasa, Kahumbu, Longe which is now a full secondary school, and Kashompa have been built hundred percent by this organisation BmB, Apart from sand and stone collection done by the communities.

Kaoma, by the Grace of the Living God, has benefited quiet a lot from this organisation from look of things more sweet things are still coming

As for the year 2021 there is big domitory at Kaoma Trades Training College which is being built. By the time it is going to be handed over to the Government of the day this year in December it will be a plus to the young students of this land.

If you are incridulous being come to Kaoma ans see for yourself the wonderful structures mushrooming in schools in and out of Distict Kaoma.

May God Bless BmB Netherlands and BmB Kaoma for their long hand they have extended to the Government of Zambia.

Suprisingly this NGO is none political but only supports the Government of Zambia of the day, and onle that,

*A. Sishwashwa  
BmB Chairperson Kaoma*

*At the photo*

The boardmembers  
BMB Zambia-Kaoma



### **Board BMB: Zambia - Kaoma**

**Alexcius Sishwashwa**

**Martha Mundanya**

**Miyanza Nakuponga**

**Therese Banda**

**Prisca Mubita**

**Dorica Banda**

**Francis Kalwizhi**



**Bouwen  
met Bouma's**

## Project 2022: Mahilo Combined school gets a share from BmB

It is a dream come true when the coordinator for Bouwen Met Bouma's (BMB) Netherlands visited the school to break the news that the organisation has chosen our school for 2022 project. This good news could have not come at the better time than this when the newly upgraded secondary school was grappling with infrastructure development.

Mahilo Combined School is found in Kaoma District of Western Province of Zambia. The school is located on the Western part of Kaoma Central Business Area. The school was built by the Catholic Church with the help of the Capuchin Friar Fathers and opened in January 1976, with two 1x3 Classroom Blocks.

The school runs from Early Childhood Education to Grade 10, with a total enrolment of One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety- Five (1,595) pupils. Seven Hundred Forty- three (743) are boys and Eight Hundred Fifty- Two (852) girls. The school has 47 members of staff, 9 males and 38 females. The school is the only secondary school on the Western Central Business town of Kaoma. All secondary schools are located on the Eastern side of the town. The upgrading of the school to a secondary status though without corresponding facilities is a step in the right direction.

The introduction of Free Education in 2022 as announced by the new Dawn Government of His Excellency Hakainde Hichilema, President of the Republic of Zambia has started put more pressure to the school authority. Many parents are flocking the school in search of places for children who had drop out of school due to financial challenges.

It is hoped that the construction of 1x3 Classroom Block will consequently increase enrolment to over 2,000 learners at the school. In fact the number of learners turned away due to unavailability of classroom space is estimated to be over 300 so far. The quest by the government to make Education as the Right must be supported at all cost because Education was becoming the preserve for the rich, and yet it is the only equaliser in our societies.

As School Management we will ever remain indebted to both BMB Kaoma and BMB Netherlands for coming to the aid of the people of Mahilo and Kaoma as a whole.

Thank you so much BMB, may you continue uplifting the standards of the vulnerable.

*Kalondo Munene Michael, Head Teacher  
Mahilo Combined School*

At the photo:

A number of teachers in front of the Mahilo school





## The construction worker

Everything has to be the first time.....  
but this wasn't necessary.

In the morning I get a call from Sishwashwa, a builder has fallen from the roof. He is in the hospital. His back needs to be X-rayed.

Unfortunately this is not possible in Kaoma, we have to go to Mangango, not with the ambulance but with our own transport. The road to Mangango...60 km... is very bad, potholes, potholes, potholes. Everyone without back problems gets acute back pain, it must have been hell for the patient.

Around 13.30 we are back in the hospital of Kaoma. The injury is not too bad, he can go home with painkillers. Luckily he is doing well now.

*Herman Bouma, coordinator/photographer*

## Interview Omrop Fryslân

On 24 May 2021 Herman Bouma told in the Omrop Fryslân program 'Buro de Vries' about the work of Bouwen met Bouma's in Zambia. The fragment can be listened to by scanning the QR code below. You can also listen to this interview via our website!

[www.bouwenmetboumas.nl](http://www.bouwenmetboumas.nl)



## Meeting of friends BMB

If possible, we want to hold another meeting in October next year. The exact date and time will be announced as soon as possible. By means of a powerpoint presentation the board will give you an update of the activities of the past year. You will gain insight into the financial situation and the plans for next year will be discussed. We would also like to brainstorm with you, while enjoying a drink, about the future of BmB

## Start new class carpentry training (joinery)



As Kaoma Trades Training Institute Joinery Students we do here appreciate the sponsorship from BMB organization as class at large.

We had no hope that one day we may find ourselves at this institute mentioned above, but through BMB organization our hope has been made alive because of this organization.

In class we are nine gents and three ladies, and we are really enjoying our studies although this pandemic (covid-19) is affecting our studies, but we promise to study extra hard.

As class to BMB organization we are requesting if we may be helped with working attires because we have less means to buy for ourselves.

By summing up, we really appreciate and will still appreciate for the support which you are giving us.

May the Almighty God richly bless you.

*Liswaniso Tebuho en Joe Kunda  
Students Kaoma Trades Training Institute*

Fan mail  
from 2006  
for  
Herman.





## Finance

Hereby the financial accountability for the financial year, which ended on August 31, 2021. We want to give you insight into the flow of funds for this financial year.

Everything is different in this corona year and we have not escaped that either. Fewer fundraisers could be organized and less could be done in Zambia.

Nevertheless, our loyal supporters ensured that we were able to receive great donations again, which will certainly be very well spent in the coming years.

Total net receipts for this financial year amounted to €49,309, which is approximately €46,000 lower than last year. Last year a large amount was received from an estate and the proceeds from campaigns were also approximately € 5,000 less.

The annual organizational costs amounted to € 2,996 and are virtually the same as last year.

The total amount spent on project costs amounted to € 27,000. This amount was mainly spent on the student housing project at the Kaoma Trades Training Institute.

From the above it appears that less was spent this year than was received in income. This is the result of lower spending due to the delay in the work in Zambia related to the corona virus there; the other project costs will therefore fall in the next financial year. As a result, we have now built up a nice reserve, so that we can carry out great plans for the coming years.

The financial situation of the foundation has been strengthened by this development. The reserves have increased by approximately € 20,000 and now amount to approximately € 100,000. A very nice amount.

For the coming year we hope to be able to carry out another school project, because there are certainly plenty of well desired projects.

We are still convinced that our work is of great value to the people there. We will continue to work for it and will therefore continue to count on your indispensable support.

*The BmB Board*

### Revenues

Gifts and donations	€ 39.819
Collections and activities	€ 2.057
Ecclesiastical contributions/ collections	€ 4.914
Activities	€ 2.514
Interest	€ 5
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>€ 49.309</b>

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### Expenses

Annual expenses:	
Promotion/organization	€ 2.698
Administration costs	€ 72
Banking costs	€ 226
<b>Total annual expenses</b>	<b>€ 2.996</b>

### Project expenses

Building costs project	€ 27.000
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<b>Total project expenses</b>	<b>€ 27.000</b>
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<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>€ 29.996</b>
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### Cashflow

<b>Balance September 1st 2020</b>	<b>€ 81.036</b>
Revenues year 20/21	€ 49.309
Expenses year 20/21	€ 29.996

<b>Balance August 31st 2021</b>	<b>€ 100.349</b>
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### Specification liquid assets August 31st 2021

Balance saving account	€ 31.333
Balance current account	€ 69.016

<b>Total</b>	<b>€ 100.349</b>
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Or check our website!  
[www.bouwenmetboumas.nl](http://www.bouwenmetboumas.nl)

## The dog

### Can a dog distinguish color?

At our guesthouse there is a dog that regularly accompanies us when we go for a walk. He runs after the car, he comes to lie with us when we find time to relax after a busy day. He often manages to find me at the office and then snuggles up under my desk.

He has been doing this for several years.

What's so special about this? He only does this to white people!

The dog's owner was Irish and left him here in Victor's good care. The question now is: does he see that I am white or does he smell that I am white?

He can certainly smell it, but you don't need a dog's nose for that either.

*Herman*



## We-Collect



### Support BmB with your old mobile phones and/or depreciated ICT equipment!

The We-Collect collection program is very simple. All you have to do is collect old mobile phones and/or ICT equipment, including ink cartridges.

If you have collected mobile telephones and/or ICT equipment, you can contact We-Collect in Grou by telephone (+31 (0)566 62 00 02) or by e-mail ([info@we-collect.nl](mailto:info@we-collect.nl)) for making an appointment. You indicate what has been collected and they plan an appointment in consultation with you so that the equipment is personally collected. You can also hand in small quantities to one of the board members of Bouwen met Bouma's and we will ensure that it is delivered to We-Collect in Grou.

After processing the mobile phones and/or ICT equipment, you will receive a signed waiver/destruction statement because of the certified removal of the data.

If you indicate to We-Collect that the proceeds of your old equipment are intended for BmB, We-Collect will ensure that the donation is transferred to our foundation!

If you would like to know more about this, please visit the website [www.we-collect.nl](http://www.we-collect.nl) or feel free to contact one of the We-Collect employees by telephone.



# Activities 2021

## Online church services raised € 7000,—

The online church services that Omrop Fryslân broadcasted from 'De Oase' in Drachten the recent Sundays have raised around € 7,000 in donations for Bouwen met Bouma's!

We are pleased that PGDrachten chose BmB as a charity for the collections and would like to thank all donors for their fantastic contributions....

## € 750,— raised on Winter Fair!

On Friday the 5th of November, Bouwen met Bouma's was present at the Winter Fair in Workum.

The stall was well-filled and the lottery was popular! A lot of tickets were bought and because of the 1 on 3 chance of a win, many could return home with a nice price.

It was a very successful afternoon and evening, that raised over €750,—

Thanks a lot to everyone for the enthusiasm!

## Some special donations this year:

A great contribution from Stichting Verband voor Afrika

Donation of the Stichting van der Weij Fonds

A great amount from a legacy

And a nice amount from family Haagen Twello after all kinds of promotions

# Activity highlights 2021



Impression Winter Fair Workum



Clean-up action ICT Grunstra Bolsward



Activity fam. Haagen



It is impossible to thank everyone who has donated money to BmB personally. The law on privacy makes that very difficult and moreover donations often come in by name only. **Hereby we want to thank everyone for their donation.**

For BmB, every donation (not only large gifts but also small donations) is important. If you donate an amount and you would like a confirmation of receipt please let us know.

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**They also wish all friends of BmB a merry Christmas and a lovingly 2022!**

Are you helping BmB to continue their mission? To make it easy for you, we present the opportunity to issue an automatic permission. Complete the mandate form below and then send it to: Stichting Bouwen met Bouma's, B. Steegengastrjitte 11, 8561 GL BALK, The Netherlands. On behalf of the people we may help: THANKS. Online you can also donate! Via [www.bouwenmetboumas.nl](http://www.bouwenmetboumas.nl).

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Address:	Dracht 146
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Country:	Nederland
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Collector ID:	NL24 ZZZ 0111 0258 0000
Characteristic authorization:	(BmB filling in)

By signing this mandate form, you authorize Stichting Bouwen met Bouma's to send recurrent collection instructions to your bank to debit your account

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