

Maureen Shema – Chance4all Primary Teacher and Counsellor

My name is Maureen Shema. I am Zambian, born on November 13, 1971. I finished my Academic Education in 1990. I pursued my Teacher Training at Solwezi Teachers training college and graduated in 1993.

I married in 1996, to Moses Makosa a fellow Teacher who later died in 2012 and left me with 5 children (4 girls and 1 boy).

Since then, I continued my education in the following courses and trainings:

- Mentoring
- Psychosocial counselling
- HIV/AIDS Testing (VCT)
- Interactive Teaching Methodologies in HIV/AIDS
- Healthy learner
- Sunday school Teaching certificate
- Diploma in General counselling, and
- Currently I am in my third year pursuing a BA in social work with counselling and computer Applications.

All my working life has been focused on children, I have been involved in program such as “PROGRAM FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE GIRL CHILD IN EDUCATION, Rights clubs for children”. I am a very good supporter of all Girl and Boy child programmes, as most of these children come from vulnerable homes where they don't have access to such information; some are more prone to vulnerability depending on the type of background they come from.

Really, time is like a roller coaster, the position that we hold this time will be held by the vulnerable child that needs to be given a chance to get back to school, and be put on the right track, we have all trodden these paths and are very much aware of the obstacles it has before you reach the final destination, that's why I have a hearty passion to save / impact the children with knowledge and skills so that they can empowered themselves and have a better future.