

FORGOTTEN VOICES INTERNATIONAL ZAMBIA

COVID-19 PARENTING IMPACT EVALUATION

Preventing violence against children through improving positive parenting in the time of COVID-19

BACKGROUND

FVI Zambia is partnering with Parenting for Lifelong Health to deliver evidence-informed parenting tools in Zambia to support parents and caregivers during/throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic.

These resources were developed in collaboration with the WHO, UNICEF, UNODC, the Global Partnership to End Violence, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, World Childhood Foundation, and World Without Orphans to support parents in keeping themselves and their children safe, happy, and healthy during this stressful period.

OUR REACH

Through radio broadcasts, social media and church leadership, FVI Zambia has reached over 3 million caregivers with these resources.

ABOUT US

Our teams work in 43 districts in nine provinces of Zambia, complementing the Government's efforts to reach vulnerable children and communities in the country.

Through Area Programmes, World Vision's interventions have addressed issues of food insecurity, primarily through agriculture, water and sanitation, education, health, infrastructure development, livelihood and child protection in the process of transforming the lives of vulnerable children, women and families.

Improving the well-being and the futures of children continues to be the focus of everything we do.



OUR IMPACT ON FAMILIES

n = 267



70%
↑ reported more parent engagement and play



83%
↑ reported more confidence in having positive relationships with children



82%
↑ reported more confidence in protecting children from sexual abuse



71%
↑ reported more capacity to cope with parenting stress



66%
↓ reported less physical abuse



64%
↓ reported less emotional abuse

WHAT THE PARENTS SAID

"One parent testified to how it had been difficult for him to relate with his children on seemingly simple life issues; and now he always starts the day with not just a 'good morning' greeting, but instead extends it to questions like, 'what do you have lined up for the day?'.

Another conceded to how much time he had lost by not building a thriving relationship with his children and soon the couple will have an empty nest. He said, "I am enjoying every moment I am having with my children and I can't imagine how time has gone, my babies will soon leave home"

The impact is definitely making a difference in most homes and most parents are cherishing every moment they are having with their families during this quarantine period. I can safely say that "parenting tips have brought some healing in families".

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