Malawi: Namitembo Farm, Zomba Diocese

LOAN DETAILS

LOAN AMOUNT \$164,109

INITIAL INVESTMENT 11/2017

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

ENTERPRISES

Crops - Maize, soybeans, cassava **Livestock and apiculture** (bees)

Services - Tractor hire for local farmers

USE OF LOAN

- Startup of a garlic and ginger farm
- Drilling of boreholes
- Purchase of seeds and fertilizers

INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Project supported by diocese
- Committed Bishop
- **Dedicated Project Leader** appointed by the Bishop to lead the project
- Providing tractor hire services to local farmers to facilitate efficient and timely land preparation

NAMITEMBO FARM

Location: Zomba, Malawi Size: 185 acres









IMPACT



SHARED PROSPERITY

- Providing jobs for 12 full-time employees and 11 casual workers
- Multiplication of improved cassava varieties (high yielding and disease resistant) that are sold to farmers



RESILIENCE / LAUDATO SI'

 Providing high yielding and disease resistant cassava to local farmers



FOOD SECURITY

Training 100 local farmers in sustainable agriculture



STRENGTHENED CHURCH ENTITIES

Income from the farm supports

331 social service intuitions including

- 7 healthcare facilities serving over
 250,000 patients per year
- 133 schools educating over 136,000 students



MISSIO INVEST ADVISORY & SUPPORT

- Technical advisory and market linkages provided by Consulting Farm Manager (CFM), who spends 5 days per month on site
- CFM is sourcing seed crop contracts, exploring market linkages, and advising on high value crops that can increase the farm's profitability

