Zambia: Sisters of Child Jesus Farms

**LOAN DETAILS**
- **LOAN AMOUNT**: $102,565
- **INITIAL INVESTMENT**: 12/2018

**INVESTMENT OVERVIEW**

**ENTERPRISES**
- Crops: Maize, soybeans, sunflower seeds, pigeon peas, bananas, cassava, orange sweet potatoes
- Livestock: Poultry, beef cattle, goats, pigs, quails
- Aquaculture: 28 fishponds
- Apiary: 65 hives

**USE OF LOAN**
- **Capex**: fishponds, livestock, chicken pens, fencing
- **Sustainable infrastructure**: drip irrigation system

**INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**
- Well-established, diversified farm looking to expand current production and add new enterprises (aquaculture)
- Project Leader with 20 years’ farming experience
- Sustainable water source from perennial streams onsite
- Potential to improve food security in rural area - no other farms in Kasama operate at this scale

**SISTERS OF CHILD JESUS FARMS**
- Location: Kasama, Northern Province, Zambia
- Size: 687 acres

**IMPACT**

**SHARED PROSPERITY**
- 30+ permanent employees, including 20 women
- 300 casual workers per year
- Training for 250 farmers from 5 cooperatives, 50 women and 20 youths

**RESILIENCE / LAUDATO SI’**
- 2,000+ trees planted per year
- Solar powered lighting system
- Water conservation strategies including drip irrigation system

**FOOD SECURITY**
- Providing affordable food to 300 households
- Improved nutrition at the congregation’s schools, orphanages, healthcare facilities, and homes for the elderly

**STRENGTHENED SOCIAL ENTITIES**
- Farm income will support subsidized tuition for up to 900 students at the congregation’s schools
- Farm supports the congregation’s 15 schools and 6 healthcare facilities educating 5,000 students and serving 50,000 patients annually

**MISSIO INVEST ADVISORY & SUPPORT**
- Experienced aquaculture consultant has provided the farm with technical advisory and market linkages since project inception