

Fungai, Sibú and Zizi have benefited from your financial gifts over these past years. Each of them supervises their own tunnels and sells their produce to earn an income. They also received clock making training. They are thankful for the assistance they received. Thank you. Currently all the tunnels are producing spinach. Sibú just started planting green peppers and green chilly.

### Fungai Gavajena



Due to the humanitarian crisis in Zimbabwe, a mother of three children, Fungai Gavajena, aged forty-three (43) is one of the volunteers with Pastor Nedu, the co-ordinator of the veggie tunnel and the Pastor of The Lord's House-church in Mandela Park, Hout Bay. Fungai stated that the situation in Zimbabwe was unbearable and that there was no employment. The government's torture and beating of citizens has also driven many people out of Zimbabwe.

Fungai came to South Africa in January 2008 to look for employment. Her husband is Ranganai Gavajena and her children are Resi (aged 16), Julius (aged 15), and Eugenia (aged 11). Besides her immediate family, she also tries to provide financial assistance for her parents and her husband's family. However, she tearfully related, that her father had recently died from malaria in July 2009. She said "I am only working for 3 days and the money I am earning is not enough to feed my family and pay my children's school fees". She made an example of her daughter who could not write her grade 10 final exams because she did not pay school fees.

Fungai volunteers at the vegetable tunnels and says "I grew up working in the garden and I love doing that". Her commitment to working in the vegetable tunnels is tangible and an expression of her gratefulness for providing for her needs. She is currently taking care of all the olive trees adjacent to the Veggie tunnels. Fungai has received training and is now supervising one of the vegetable tunnels in Mandela Park, Hout Bay.

Zizi

Ps Nedu

Sibu

