



9th International Permaculture Conference

IPC9 AFRICA 2009



IPC9 Malawi/Africa

Plan Africa, Food and Empowerment







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International Permaculture-Design Course:

18 - 29 Oct. 2009

IPC9 Convergence:

02 - 05 Nov. 2009

IPC9 Conference:

06 Nov 2009

IPC9 Site tours:

07 - 30 Nov. 2009

IPC9

- IPDC held at Fambidzanai Permaculture Centre, Harare, Zimbabwe
- Over 170 participants from over
- 30 countries from all continents attended the conference in Malawi
- Open Space topics at the convergence:
Plan Africa – Food Empowerment; Permaculture Education and Training; Green economics; Gender and Health; Chaordic; Climatic Change.

IPC9

Themes:

Designing solutions for a sustainable future

Sub themes:

- Plan Africa – Food and Empowerment
- Education and Training
- Green economics, Health, Gender and Climatic Change





Malawi, Lilongwe Kumbali Village





3 Months later















James Msalakwa & Band



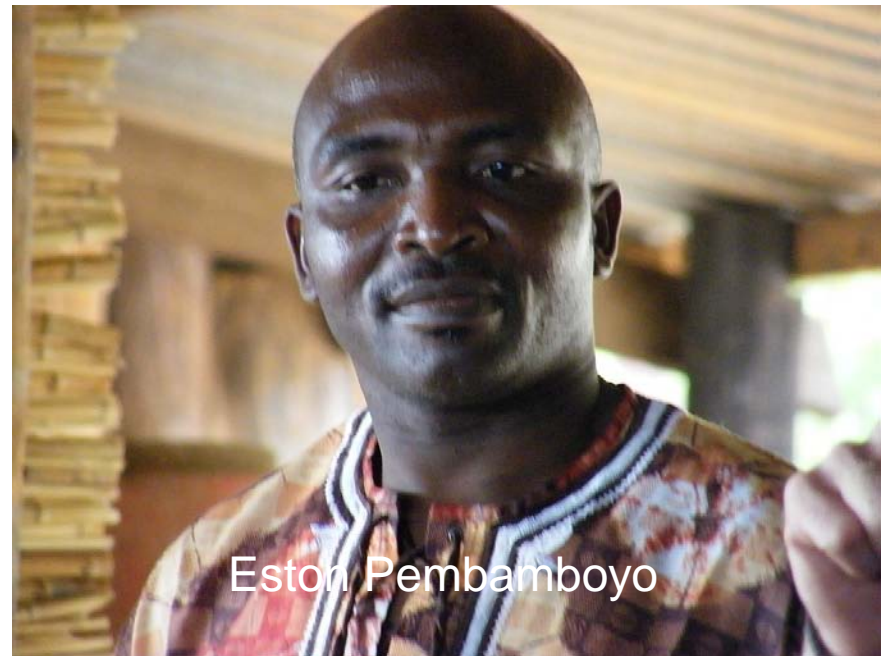








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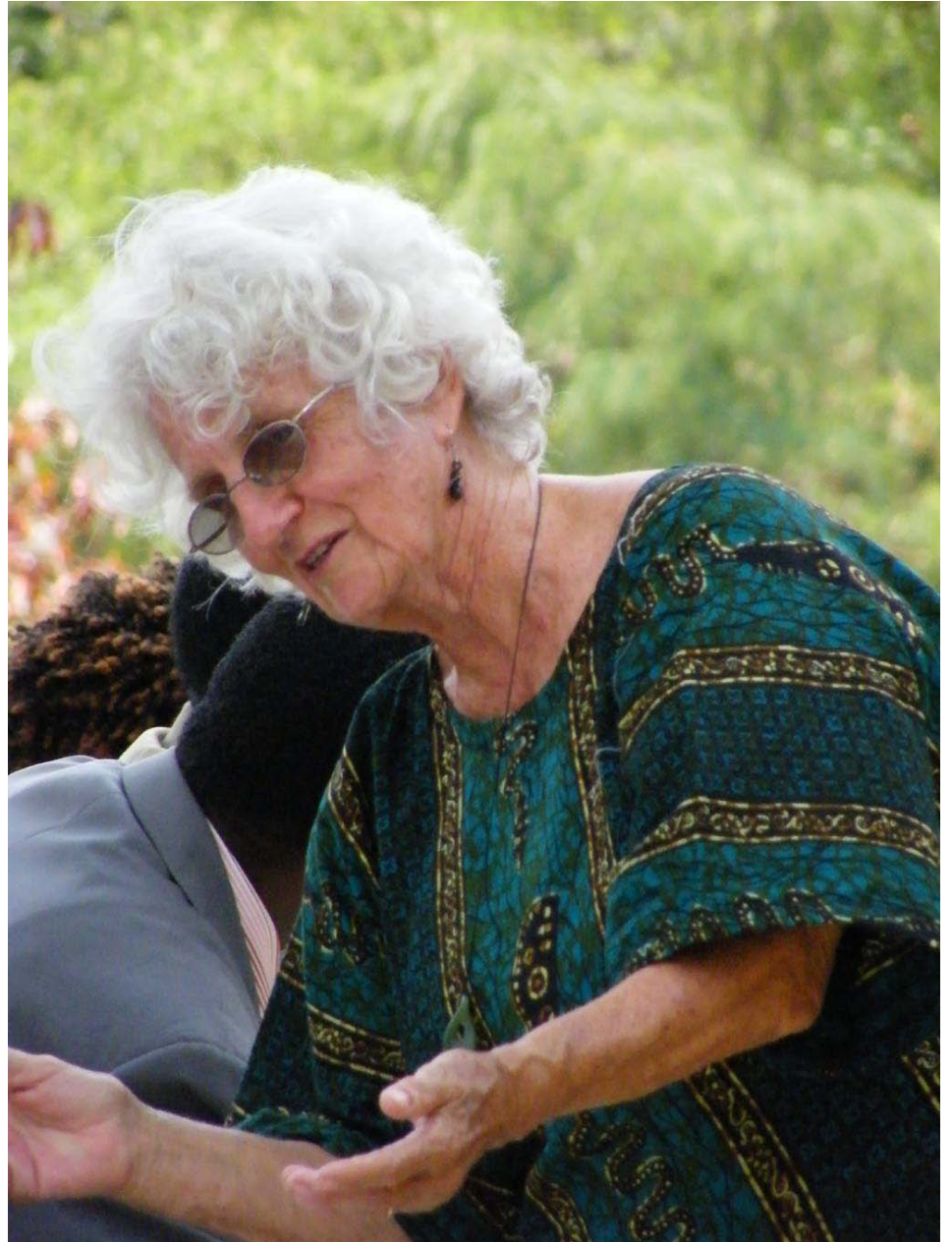
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Support and sponsorships

- ❖ We started the preparations and worked for months on a zero budget
- ❖ Santa Barbara Permaculture: over USD 9000 for website development
- ❖ Austrian /Alpine Permaculture coordinated by Margreth sponsored 5 Malawian, 1 Zimbabwean women and 2 Malawian men to attend the PDC in Harare and IPC9 in Malawi/Lilongwe as well as a Training of trainers course in Malawi/Lilongwe
- ❖ GTZ: sponsored tens of teachers, farmers, and govt officials from Malawi
- ❖ June Walker and her friends
- ❖ Global Resource Alliance sponsored a group from Tanzania
- ❖ Permaculture Association of Britain sponsored a participant from Congo Kinshasa
- ❖ Rosemarry Morrow donated 4 weeks of her time to teach a PDC and a training of trainers courses







John Wilson,
Co- taught a
pre IPC
Seminar on
Integrated
Land Use
Design for
school
communities
and presented
a key note
which
challenged us
to look at how
PC can be
more
effectively
promoted



Purpose: Providing & creating independent young minds with the necessary tools & skills to ensure successive good devt within themselves & their framework community - Harmony amongst all

- Good behaviour & respect
- Living in harmony with nature
- Quality of life:
 - Strong relationship b/w school & community b/w sys.
 - Be of service to the community
 - Be a centre of knowledge & skills for the community
 - Confident students - Good / happy
 - Being innovative & all / all
 - Quality & excellence
 - Comfortable place to be in positive atmosphere
 - Feel pride in our school
 - Recognition & giving wt to local knowl.

What must we produce in place

- Fault: kids don't
- Parent-teacher meeting for mgt of
- Lots of
- Lot

10% WASTE
Permaculture principles

- global application
- Everything is connected to everything else one ecosystem
- Every element should serve two or more ~~element~~ functions
- Every function should be served by many elements
- Efficient energy planning for house and settlement
- Emphasis on the use of biological resources over fossil fuel resources
- Energy recycling on site
- Polyculture
- Use of edges and natural patterns

Thyolo, Teacher Development Centre

2006 October

- Secondary school is seen in the background
- Primary school is behind 'you' as you look at the picture



**Thyolo, Teacher Development Centre
2008 February (1.5 years)**















Admire Gwatidzo – Kufunda Learning Village / Zimbabwe



































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THANK YOU



Beyond IPC9 - Outcomes

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Presented in Jordan-IPC10

September 2011

Nature's Gift Permaculture Centre

- Lilongwe Central Region set up on the venue for IPC9
- Demonstration gardens
- Compositing latrines
- Kitchen built with local material and energy conserving system
- Training rooms
- Done already PDC, Course in thatching, eco-sun composting, gardener's courses

Training of trainers – R. Morrow

- Drew Participants from many countries world wide
- Created an opportunity for standardization of PDC
- Provided chances for International connections
- Malindi Mangochi PDC

Connections and networking

- Some participants from other continents remained over and worked with local projects
- Two centres being developed at Katete in Eastern Zambia
- The more and Better food Book by Anne Bayley and Walter Nyika
- Global Resource Alliance in Tanzania linked up with Julius Piti from Zimbabwe
- Many other volunteers connected with local projects

Plan Africa

- Plan Africa is an idea to connect all relevant projects on the continent of Africa
- Questionnaires were distributed during and after IPC9
- A website has been set up to build a data bank on African Permaculture projects
- There are plans to set up an Permaculture African Institute

Other Initiatives

- Following Rosemary's TOT after IPC9 Malindi Community in Mangochi conducted a PDC
- More faith based organisation picking up Permaculture

Other outcomes

- Need for developing a local project as part of each IPC
- International IPCs important but expensive hence need for also regional IPC-cheaper
- Need for developing use of ICT like video conferencing for future IPCs
- Need for revolving fund for IPCs
- Deciding on two IPCs hosts in advance so that people have more time to prepare

Conclusions

- IPCs are a platform for coordinated Permaculture efforts
- Malawi - IPC9 in Africa created a sense of inclusiveness and strengthening of a world wide family
- IPC9 in Malawi strengthened relations between Permaculture Network members on one side and the government on the other