

Thank you for giving the gift of Lablab beans

When farmers repeatedly farm the same plot of land without giving it a rest, the soil eventually loses its fertility and crop growth suffers. Challenges like wind erosion and drought add to the problem, leaving frustrated farmers and hungry families.

World Renew invests in farmers across Africa with the promotion of conservation agriculture. Through training, resources, and market support, World Renew, through local Christian churches and partners, equips local farmers to use agriculture methods that are climate-smart, high-yield, and good to the land, so that future generations of farmers can also feed their families.

One of the techniques included in conservation agriculture principles is the use of "cover crops" that act as mulch, protecting the soil from wind and sun, and allowing the soil to replenish. Lablab beans are an inexpensive ground cover crop that doesn't require much labor to maintain. They are drought resistant and reseed themselves over time, providing not only ground cover but also food for farmer and his or her livestock. Your gift provides World Renew with the resources to share these amazing beans with some of the 4 million farming households in Uganda, offering farmers there a real tool for success.

Emmanuel is a 23-year-old farmer in Tanzania who knows the power of the lablab bean, but he wasn't an immediate convert. He explains, "For some years, the way we have done farming has discouraged farmers, especially youth, because we have seen the drop in yield year after year." In fact, Emmanuel wasn't willing to try lablab beans . . . until his mother did. Emmanuel's mother is a "champion farmer," someone who has adopted conservation agriculture methods to great success and now promotes them in her community. When she quadrupled her harvest by intercropping with lablab, Emmanuel was convinced. His one-acre farm, from which he previously harvested 2.5 sacks, yielded 8 sacks in his latest harvest. Emmanuel is now a huge lablab fan and has been sharing it with his neighbors.

Your gift of lablab beans enables World Renew to share this incredible crop with farmers across Uganda, who are eager for farming success and in need of the abundance it promises.

THANK YOU

"... I HAVE COME THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE, AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL."

-John 10:10

