

## Meet Louis Binda



### Profile

<b>Name</b>	Louis Binda
<b>Birthday</b>	January 7, 2006
<b>Birth Place</b>	Lusaka, Zambia
<b>Area of Residence</b>	Mount Makulu
<b>Grandfather's Name</b>	Louis Binda
<b>Grandfather's Profession</b>	Farmer, retired scientific researcher
<b>Mother's Name</b>	Fridah Chongo Binda
<b>Mother's Profession</b>	Piecework
<b>Primary School</b>	Mount Makulu Primary School
<b>2020 Grade Level</b>	Grade 8
<b>Secondary School</b>	Pestalozzi Education Centre

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#### Louis' Family

Louis has been living with his mother in his grandfather's home since birth. His mother completed up to Grade 12 and earned a certificate in early childhood. She has three children in total. His father stays in Kalikiliki, but they do not maintain a relationship. Louis' grandfather's wife also lives in the home. The family grows maize, groundnuts, beans, cowpeas and sometimes tomatoes on the farm at home. There is no water borehole nearby, so it can be difficult to farm during dry season. The rest of Louis' aunts and uncles are living in various parts of Lusaka doing work including tailoring, agriculture and teaching.

#### Louis' Educational Background

Louis is an exceptional student and he particularly enjoys mathematics and science. His aptitude showed when he came out number three on the KF exam. He regularly passed number one in his class at Mount Makulu Primary School. During home interviews, Louis shared that solving mathematical equations is relaxing for him. According to his grandfather,

he is also creative and innovative in his ICT skills. Louis academic prowess came out on his Grade 7 national exam, where he scored 811 out of 900. This was the highest score in the KF 2020 intake.

## **Louis' Extracurricular Interests**

When he is not in school, Louis helps his grandfather on the farm, sharpens his ICT skills, and participates in Pathfinder Club at church. He is also a school prefect and class monitor.

## **Louis' Thoughts**

Louis is passionate about topics where his community is lacking knowledge. For example, he knows and can see the effects of deforestation on Zambia and demonstrated this in-depth knowledge on his KF application. He also hopes to educate his community on proper disease prevention and what it takes to engage healthy living.

Though quiet, Louis is confident, accomplished and enjoys his studies.