

# IMPACT STORY

## EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS WITH BASIC NEEDS



Eya's Angels is expanding its impact in the community by reaching out and empowering individuals with basic needs to improve their lives. Our first individual is a 78-year-old lady Ma Maria of Kie Village who is challenged with mobility issues due to severe leg pains. Mama's son approached us seeking help for her during the February 2021 IDP event at Ebenezer Baptist church in Limbe. He could not bring her to the event because her feet were swollen, and he had no means to transport her from Muetengene to Limbe. We then decided to visit Mama in Muetengene; and she shared with us her story of severe leg pain and showed us the walking stick she had been given for balance (see video). We discussed how we could assist



her and then presented her with a balance walker which was more effective than her walking stick.



We showed her family how to operate the walker. Mama practiced using the walker; she was very grateful even saying, "na timbi di mokala" (see video).



**Before with walking stick**

**After with balance walker**

When we first visited Mama, she struggled to get up to welcome us, but when we were leaving, she rolled her walker to the door to see us off. We were more impressed by Mama's excitement. We had a real, lively conversation with Mama and found out Mama was my late mother's schoolmate in Bonjongo. **We are now forever connected!**

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***It always a blessing to learn the wisdom from the elderly people –  
Laila Akita***