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There is a certain man from Chiwete village. He came to my house because he saw a certain man called Yonam mending his bicycle. He came and greeted each other. It was shown that there was relationship between those two men.

I was aside just close to them preparing my vegetables. I then heard Yonam asking Mr. White about the life of his wife and children. But White told Yonam that he is no longer at Ntamba village. He left there two months ago. And that is now forever.

Yonam got surprised and he asked, why have you left your daughter?

White responded that your [?] daughter is a prostitute. I had been hearing rumours for a long time but I thought that they were cheating me. After sometime signs were showing that she was not depending upon myself alone but she had other sexual partners.

1. She became very rude
2. She could refuse having sex with me
3. She was deliberately lazy
4. She was ever clean in my absence as a sign to her other sexual partners that I was away.

But God is great. One day she was caught red handed and all what she was refusing was revealed there. Now the problem is that, I had no other wife other than her. I have many children with her up to six. I felt very sorry because those other sexual partners cannot come to marry her and look after all those six stepchildren.

The man can love the woman but he cannot manage to look after all those stepchildren because things are very expensive in these days. If I was failing to buy enough clothes for all those children myself, can someone manage that?

Mr. White added that he became very furious so that he just thought that it is better to leave her especially by thinking about how the world is in these days. Though there are many children of mine but I cannot manage to stay with a woman who has polygamy.

The man is the one who is supposed to have two or three wives because that is obvious and known to everybody. But if you see a woman having more than one

partner just know that she is loose and she doesn't want her marriage therefore it is better to leave her.

I cannot keep on buying condoms in order to using with wife for protection yet I am faithful. Those condoms we buy them when we need to have sex with the prostitutes in order to protect ourselves.

Since I am the one feeding her, looking after her for everything, I cannot accept to see her having other sexual partners.

Now since she has chosen herself to have more than one man, I must be out from her. May be she has lost interest in me. I am failing to have a good sex with her than those who she is having sex with and maybe she is receiving much money from them than the help which I am giving her.

Then Mr. White added that I have married a certain woman here at Vingula called Abiti Yonam. She is Abiti Lapile's daughter.

Now I know the young woman. She is approximately 22 years old and Mr. White is older than her. Though I did not ask him about his age, but he looks like he is about 60 to 65 years old. I asked him getting married to that young woman?

Do you think that she is of your age because she has two children? He said no. there is no woman who is young. Though she is looking young but she cannot cry having sex with me. Women have chewing gum bodies or elastic. Any man can have sex with them. Since she is young maybe she can look after me for a long time.

But I have already heard that those her two children are for different fathers. She got married three times in her life and I am the fourth one. I would like to find out first since I haven't yet started to have sex with her.

It is a new marriage and we need to have the marriage counselors (Ankhoswe). But if I will hear that she is also too movious since she is near Vingula Township, I will just leave her and look for another woman who is in the remote area.

I asked him, does it mean that a person or a woman to be a prostitute it depends to the area where she is staying?

He said no. Mostly it is her behaviour as how she was born. My wife is at the remote area and I was trusting her but now she has changed her behaviour unknowingly. Because though in these days, we are afraid of AIDS but even without that, it is painful to hear that your spouse has another sexual partner.

Now in these days there is AIDS which has no medicine. You can't put your life in trouble deliberately. And for first wife, I will go and remove all the doors and

window glasses and I will give all those things to my elder children who are married. Those men who are sleeping with her should buy their own doors and glasses.

Yonam refused, he told him that he should just leave them. That woman has not cut his hands. He will work and buy other things in future then he said okay.

Since I have some young children with her, then I will leave so that my young children should be sleeping in a good house.

Our conversation lasted there.

THE END.

30 – 01 – 06

My neighbour called Miss Chaweya was summoned by her daughter Miss Daniel.

Miss Chaweya has two elder daughters. The elder one Miss Daniel is not married but the young one Miss Meria is married as Mrs. Daud.

Between these two daughters, Miss Chaweya loves Mrs. Daud only and not Miss Daniel. When she needs to tell people why she hates Miss Daniel, she always says that Miss Daniel is a witch. She was taught by her grandmother Miss Kalombe when she was alive.

Her grandmother was killing people through magic system at their home as a witch. She was staying with her granddaughter Miss Daniel and she is sure that she taught her what they do at night.

Now when you hear from the daughter, she also says that her mother Miss Chaweya is a witch. She was taught by her late mother Miss Kalombe. She had been killing many people at Vingula where she was staying with her relatives.

Because of that bad behaviour, all relatives hate her and that was why they chased her away and told her to look for her own place where she thinks can settle.

Since she has moved away from her relatives, she is now lacking people to be killing. That is why she is just killing her daughter's children. These two people don't speak to each other though they are mother and her daughter. When the daughter is ill at her she just look after herself until she gets recovered while her mother is there.

She could not even draw water for her daughter and even ask her about what she is suffering from. The same happens when the mother is ill. Only young daughter looks after her mother and does everything for her

Now Miss Chaweya got married to a certain man called Mr. Derick. Unfortunately, he hates Miss Daniel as well through the power from his wife. His wife told him that he should not take that daughter as his step daughter.

She is not the one who gave birth to her therefore there is no need for him to respect or help her as his daughter.

Because of that power, Mr. Derick hates Miss Daniel very much that he also don't speak to her. Now the problem came in Miss Daniel's house. Her second born child was ill and it was a serious illness.

Miss Daniel was telling people that her mother and step father have bewitched her son. The disease which her child was suffering from was not from God but from her mother.

Miss Daniel had no time to look after her patient at home or taking him to the hospital. She was just leaving him in her house going to Vingula to meet with her sexual partners and ask them for the money to buy some food.

The problem is that Miss Daniel is a very lazy woman. She does not like to work in her maize field or do any job at her house. She always clean her body and goes to Vingula to move with men leaving her children themselves without food.

She is about 24 years old and she gave birth to three children whereby each child has his own father. She got married to 6 men in her life and about other sexual partners nobody can tell.

When her child became seriously ill her brother a son of her aunt came to see the child and he gave her K500 for her to take the child to the hospital. But Miss Daniel did not go, she said that whatever God has provided for her should happen but she cannot go to the hospital while the child is seriously ill.

Unfortunately the child died and since that was a funeral, her mother and father helped her organise everything which was needed at the funeral.

When the programme ended, they only stayed for few days and they quarrelled for other reasons where Mr. Derick said had he known he wouldn't have helped her at her funeral because she is very rude.

Miss Daniel heard about that and she got furious she said that she knows that her father Mr. Derick and his wife were the ones who killed her son, therefore she would like them to give her back her child.

She went to summon them to the village headman Ntaja. I was told about that case with her young sister and I went to hear it.

Many things were spoken there and Miss Daniel reached the point of telling people that her step father has AIDS and since he knows that he will die soon, he would like to kill other people first before he dies.

Her mother was fat but from the time that Mr. Derick came, she is oftenly ill and her body is shrinking Miss Daniel told the group of people that she is sure that her step father was the one who killed her child and now he is also talking many things which he did on the funeral.

What she wanted was to let her father mention all the things which he expended on that day. He should say how much did he last to buy whatever he thinks helped at the funeral and if he did a certain labour on that day. He should charge some money for what he did.

But her father refused. He said that he knows nothing about what she was talking. But what he knows is that his daughter is jealous of her mother.

Whatever I buy for her mother, she also needs me to buy for her which means that she needs me to be sleeping with her.

I think there is no need for me to be buying the same things to her. Another thing is that she is a witch therefore she thinks everybody is stupid and she is only one clever in the world.

The village headman Ntaja told all of them they should love each other and they should know that they are of the same blood. Starting from that day they should start talking to each other. And they should be doing everything together.

The case ended there.

The END.

03 – 02 – 06

One day Mrs. Ngasale came to my house to see me. She was coming from Mrs. Dryson where she went to see her because she is her best friend. When she came home, she found me chatting with my friend Pasonje.

I greeted her and asked her where she was coming from. She told me that she went to see her friend Mrs. Dryson because it has taken a long time before they saw each other.

She added that she was busy with nonsense things. Had she known she wouldn't have helped in that job.

I was amazed and I asked what type of job were you doing mum? She said that she was in trouble and she can even say that she is still in trouble.

Her daughter lives in Blantyre with her husband. The man is working at the ESCOM company of Malawi and he is always busy.

She said my daughter knew that I am in trouble because in these days, I am oftenly ill and my husband died. She was very sorry for that therefore she decided to employ a man to come here and be helping me farming in my field.

Now my neighbour was Mr. Everson and she gave him that request to help her looking for a man who can be working for me here. Mr. Everson told her that he will be the one coming to stay with me and they agreed to grow cotton and share the money after he finished working in my garden.

When they agreed on that point, she asked her husband to give her some transport money for two people so that she should come with him to help me in the maize garden. They both came and in the first days, Mr. Everson was a good man and a hard worker. We all worked in my garden and finished then we went to ridge in cotton garden and finished.

We planted cotton and started weeding when my daughter was going back to her husband. She left Mr. Everson here and told him that he should continue working hard and she will come again to help him drawing water for spraying the cotton.

Unfortunately, the daughter did not come early so that I was the one drawing water for Mr. Everson to be spraying chemicals to the cotton. He now started to show his life to us. He started showing rudeness, cruelty and telling people that my daughter is a prostitute.

They agreed in town that when they will be a marriage with her and not him being the field worker of her mother. Mr. Everson is telling people that he cannot be Mrs. Ngasale's servant but what he knows is that there was an agreement that they should come back from town and make their marriage here at home. The woman will be staying with him here helping each other in the maize and cotton field as a family. But now she has changed her mind. When she was going back to town she lied to the man that she was going back to town to collect her clothes and other kitchen utensils for them to be using at home.

And she promised him that she will be back soon but since that time in December up to now February she is not coming back from her husband. Mr. Everson is complaining that he is working alone in the field.

I asked Mrs. Ngasale now which is which? Did that man come here with your daughter as a marriage or that he came to work as a labourer in your garden?

She said my daughter told me that he is a labourer. Did you see her paying him after he completes a full month working? She said no.

They agreed that he will be paid after selling cotton. Is the cotton which you have planted for your daughter? She said not for her alone. The cotton is for both of them Mr. Everson and my daughter. They will share some money after selling all of it.

After that he will be paid for the job that he was doing for me. Pasonje answered. That is why the man is complaining that his wife has gone away leaving him here alone.

It is not true that the cotton field which he has worked alone 3/4s of the job should found that you are sharing the money equally. Mr. Everson is really talking to people that he came here for the marriage with your daughter. He is from Mulanje and he was staying in Blantyre your daughter being his neighbour.

He felt in love with her and agree to be sexual partners. After some months, they agree for marriage therefore the only way to do for that marriage to take place, they should come back home here and be staying with the husband. When your daughter's first husband will hear about that, their marriage will end and your daughter will continue staying with Mr Everson here as her new husband.

But now she has changed her mind. She did not reveal to him that she was going to her husband for good. I asked, Is it possible for the woman to have two husband at the same time? Pasonje said no, this is news to us here.

But people can agree on what Everson is saying because he never received his salary from these people it cannot be true that the contributed power with their labourer working in one cotton field than after selling the money. In addition to that he will be paid. What about if you harvest _ bale of cotton and sell little amount of money?

Then after sharing the money, you find that his salary is more than the money you have. As an agreement what will you do to him? Mrs. Ngasale said it will be a problem because I am also poor. I have nowhere to get money unless my son sends me from South Africa. Now Everson has married a certain woman but he never came with her at home. She sometimes follows him at the field to see him and collect vegetables, which I grew but he is using them as if he is the one who grew them.

Mr. Everson is a poor man and my daughter is married to a boss. He is the good man and he helps her in many things. I cannot allow her to get married to Mr.

Everson. I hope that my daughter will be furious to hear that Mr. Everson is telling people that he is her husband.

Everson is a cruel man and he is failing to stay with his relatives. He has no wife at home in Mulanje or in Blantyre where he was staying. He just have friendships only to sleep with them.

I never knew, may be he has another problem like HIV since he has now wife. Would he like to spread it to my daughter. I don't want such stupid stories. I am waiting for my daughter to come back from Blantyre. I will tell her to pay Everson and tell him to go back to Blantyre where he was staying.

He is giving me tough time working for him as if he is my husband. I had been busy for a long time looking after my husband when he was until he died.

Now I have to rest but not working for a person who is nothing to me. I am tired with that. I am sure to let him go when he will be paid. We had nothing to add but to say okay to her.

Then she said bye to us.

THE END.

05 – 02 –06

A certain scene happened at Luka Health Centre. I was at home when I saw Miss Chaweya my neighbour and her daughter Mrs. Daud passing by my house.

They were going to their maize garden to fetch vegetables. When they saw me, Miss Chaweya asked me if I heard anything that happened at Vingula Hospital. I refused since I knew nothing.

She started explaining to me that Mr. Kanjiwa the Health Surveillance Assistant has committed suicide and he has died. I thought that she was lying and I asked her why he has killed himself.

She said that he killed himself because of his wife. Mr. Kanjiwa married Jill Kafeleman a government primary school teacher at Vingula II primary school.

Both were in Roman Catholic religion and they had the wedding two years ago. Jill had a child with another man who was her sexual partner when she was at Secondary School, but since she got married with Kanjiwa she did not give birth to any child.

Kanjiwa was from Zomba and we never heard that he has a child elsewhere. With Jill he did not give birth to any child those all three years which they stayed together.

Now we were just hearing rumours that Kanjiwa was troubling his wife Jill that he wanted a child but Jill was telling him that she has no means of giving birth to a child on her own unless he gives her the pregnant.

Now nobody knows, whether Kanjiwa was a barren man or that Jill was following child spacing methods when she has her first child during the time she was at school. If so may be the power of an injection is still working in her therefore she cannot get a pregnant very soon.

Another problem which was in their house was that Kanjiwa was cruel. He was mostly beating his wife and he was not respecting her. He could even beat her at her office while working and even at the hospital where he was working.

This problem of beating his wife made Jill's mother furious and she was annoyed and bored with that marriage. She got tired of hearing and seeing that her daughter is always being beaten by her husband then she told her daughter that she should leave the house which she was staying with her husband and look for another house which they could be staying because the house that these people were staying was for Jill's mother.

She told her that she don't want him to kill her daughter in her house but if Jill still needs her husband, they should just leave her place and look for their own house where they can be staying. She did not want to see any accident.

Jill told her husband that they should just separate and the marriage end. They asked their marriage counsellors to help them but Jill said she is tired of being beaten by her husband therefore she doesn't want the marriage to continue with him.

They agreed and Kanjiwa left his wife going to look for his other house where he was paying rent.

When he was there, Kanjiwa had several sexual partners and he also married another woman who was the nurse at the same hospital of Vingula.

But since he was a cruel man since birth, he was doing the same with the second wife and he was beating her.

When the nurse felt pain she told him that she cannot manage to continue with him because of his behaviour then they separated.

All these what was happening, Jill was hearing from people but she had nothing to do since they divorced their marriage.

When Kanjiwa saw that several women have understood and known his behaviour, he knew that nobody around Vingula will allow to be married with him then he went back to Jill asking her to remarry again.

He asked her to forgive him and continue their marriage but Jill was afraid of her mother therefore she could not allow that.

She told him that he had been cruel to her and he was mostly beating her which was very painful to her and to her mother as well.

In addition to that he had been moving with several sexual partners including the wife who he married. She knew all what he was doing soon after they separated.

Then Jill told him that she was not sure that he was okay as he was before and because of his behaviour of beating her, she could not manage to make a new family with him and she was still not bearing children.

She could not get married to him again since she had nowhere to get a child. Kanjiwa became furious and he was upset.

He went to his house and came back again in the following day to ask Jill to forgive him but still Jill refused.

He just told her that he will die because of her since she refused to forgive him and continue with their marriage.

Kanjiwa went to his house and sat down writing a letter which said that "I dying because of Jill my wife. She refused to forgive me and continue with our marriage. God should bless her. Thank you. I have gone."

Then he went to drink some beer and when he came back, he left the letter on the table, closed all the windows and doors. He took a weaved mat and put it at a good place for him to sleep then he injected himself with poison and an injection was there just near him.

When he finished doing that he took the snap [photo] of Jill and put it in front of him then he slept there. Kanjiwa died there at the same day.

When the landlord did not see him in the morning she thought he was away enjoying the weekend.

But she started wondering that Kanjiwa was not seen for two days and even at job he was absent.

On the third day, the landlord saw flies especially the house flies many of them flying on the door and on the windows.

When she went near the house, there was a bad smell showing that something has died in the house. She went to the village headman and told him about what was at Kanjiwa's house and Kanjiwa was not seen for the past three days.

The village headman went to see and he told the landlord to go to police and report on what happened there.

The policemen came to see what happened and they broke the door where they found that Kanjiwa was dead two days ago but the letter was showing that he died because of Jill. The snap [photo] of Jill was there as well.

The policemen went to call Jill at school to see what her husband did. She started crying for her husband.

The policemen phoned his parents in Zomba and they told them that they should be digging up the grave on the same day so that the funeral should be buried on the same day.

The ambulance came from his office to take the funeral going to his home in Zomba and Jill was there escorting her husband but when the funeral reached there, the relatives refused to receive that funeral and they said that they don't want to see Jill in that group of people.

Jill was taken by the policemen back home and the same policemen asked his relatives not to trouble the funeral.

They should bury him and if they had something to complain that would be later on and not that time because the funeral stayed for two days in his house and that was the third day.

Since it was a must from the police, they received the funeral and buried.

Now people are just looking forward to see what will happen to Jill since she is the Roman Catholic member and she had wedding with Kanjiwa, nobody knows if she will be accepted in her religion to get married and make the wedding again with another man.

THE END.

08 – 02 – 06

It was around 10:00 am when I saw a certain woman passing by my house. I was there near the road selling Mandasi (doughnuts).

The woman was Mrs. Wysoni, [married to] the village headman. She was walking very slowly showing that she was ill. She just passed by my house without saying anything therefore I was also just looking at her.

After an hour I saw her coming back but also showing that she was failing to walk fast because she was ill. This time she came to my house and I greeted her.

After that, she asked for help with drinking water and I went to draw some water in my house. When she finished drinking she started buying some Mandasi and I asked her. I saw you passing by here at a certain time where were you going since you are looking like you are ill.

She said yes. I was going to Vingula to the T/A Luka's case ground but I did not manage to reach there, therefore I have just decided to come back because I am not feeling well.

Then she sat down and started to explain while resting. She said as you know that I was married to the village headman Wysoni. I am from Mozambique and he married me there in Mozambique.

We came to stay here because he is the village headman. After we stayed for a year my elder sister followed me and she said that she was interested to stay here in Malawi therefore she asked my husband to share a living place for her where she can be staying.

Him as the village headman he gave her that land to build her house and she was staying there. Now since my sister has followed me here, I should also build my house where she is as my real home and I asked my husband to build a house for me there.

He built a small house because he was thinking that I wanted to leave his house and be staying in my house.

But what I did was taking my first born daughter who was his step daughter and put her in my house where she was staying with my elder sister.

My daughter got married and she was staying with her husband in my house before they built their own house.

Now the problem was that Mr. Wysoni though he is a village headman, he is also cruel. He dislikes sharing food with other people and he also beats a woman.

I got tired of those things therefore I asked him to leave me. Things were not good because he was talking many things like that he heard that I was having sex with other men and people were telling him that other men who I was sleeping with had diseases therefore he knew that he could get AIDS from me.

It was better to leave me and it happened. He left me and went to marry another wife in Mozambique again. When he came back with his wife he was staying in his house and myself I went where my sister and daughter went to stay. The place where my sister was given. I did not go back to Mozambique. When my sister saw that I came to stay, she asked me to stay with children there looked for a business house somewhere at Vingula where they would like to go and be running their business.

I allowed them to go and I told my sister that I will be looking after all children who were left there because I had nowhere to go. I started staying there with the children and I managed to stay there for three years without receiving any message from the village headman Wysoni.

Very soon in the last two months, it's now when I saw him coming to my house telling me that I should leave his place. The place where I am staying is for him and it is in his village therefore I should look for another place in another village where I can be staying but not in his village.

He had been hearing many stories from people that I was disturbing other people's marriages. I was moving with different men therefore people were not happy of that.

I asked him to tell me the person who was telling him about that and the names of the men who I was moving out with. But he refused. He just said that he cannot reveal anything but what he wanted was that I should leave the place.

I told him that I have nowhere to go and I don't have money for building a new house where I can migrate to. If you need me to leave here then you should look for another place for me and build my house there in which I will be staying because I have nothing.

He refused but he told me that I should think twice and think of what to do about leaving his place and migrate to another area. He went to his house and I did nothing because I did not know what was wrong with me to him.

People were telling me that he was just jealousy. He was hearing that other men were coming to ask me for marriage therefore he was not happy to see me staying with another man in his village yet he was the one who took me from Mozambique.

He forgot that he was beating me and he was sometimes refusing me to eat some food. He is a greedy man and likes shouting in most of the times.

Other people were telling me not to leave the place because it is not my own place but I followed my sister. My sister was the one given the place and not me. I just followed her since she is my relative now I am staying at my relative's place and not my own place given by him.

But when he saw that I am still refusing to leave the place, he went to summon me at the T/A Luka's case ground that I am refusing to give him back his land and go somewhere to stay.

Now I am failing to walk properly because I am very ill. I am suffering from coughing and headache. I cannot manage to reach there.

I said okay. I saw the headman Wysoni here passing by and that was around 9:00 am but I did not know that he was going to Vingula for that reason.

Then she said bye to me that she wanted to go and sleep. At the same time came Mrs. Nkamaliza and she greeted her. After that Mrs. Nkamaliza was left with me and she asked me. Was she drinking some tablets here? I said no. she was buying the mandasi and she asked me to help her with water.

Mrs. Nkamaliza said I don't [know?] if that woman is not suffering from AIDS. She has several sexual partners who she is having sex with. That is why Mr. Wysoni is furious that he is getting shy [ashamed] that she was his wife.

Though he left her but what she is doing is very shameful. Each and everyman who can ask her to have sex with her, she is free to do so.

But the problem is that though she is doing that, she is not improving. Men are just having sex with but they are not helping her with money or any gift. She is always looking poor like that failing to have soap for washing her clothes, failing to buy some skin oil to smearing on her body that she should look nice.

Her friends are selling firewood and many of them are feeling well from that but not that one.

The problem is that her body is changing. She is shrinking very much and she is mostly ill suffering from different diseases.

Many people are saying that she is infected with AIDS because she is too movious.

I asked her did she tell you that she just have sex with men without using a condom?

She answered no but that one cannot use a condom. Do you think that one knows a condom? She asked me. I said maybe she knows it and she uses it always with her sexual partners.

Mrs. Nkamaliza laughed. She said my husband hates her very much. She likes to chat with me and she oftenly comes to my house to chat with me.

But when he is available, he talks nothing in her presence but after she goes back to her home its when he starts shouting at me that he don't want to see me chatting with her. Since she is a prostitute. She has many sexual partners therefore he thinks that I am can also be doing what she is doing. Since she is a prostitute, I can also be a prostitute. This can happen if she can keep on chatting with me. She can be encouraging me doing the same things like what she is doing.

This woman does not know to say no to a man and she is open to reveal everything which she does with a man and she knows how to differentiate men in her life. She cannot use condoms because she is not educated therefore she does not know how to use a condom and even men who she is running with are not educated.

They just hear about the condoms but the don't know how to use them, Mrs. Nkamaliza added that there was a certain time when that woman went to her house.

During that time, my husband was temporarily away to his other wife. At the same time he came and found her chatting with me. When she said bye, I escorted her for a short distance in order to respect her and making her not knowing that my husband is not happy with her.

My husband was bored [angry] and when I came back he shouted at me telling me that if I don't want to stop chatting with her he will just leave me to continue my games with her because to him it has shown that I am happy with what she is doing.

Since that time until now I am not chatting with her frequently as it was before. But in all means that one will die of AIDS because of her behaviour. We just laughed and stopped there.

11 – 02 –2006

I was invited to go to the village headman Wysoni's ground to listen for the case in which my friend Miss Notice had with her husband. She asked Miss Daniel to come and tell me about that case and the day which they decided to talk at the

village headman. Since I knew nothing I tried to go there escorting my friend Miss Notice as our village custom is.

When I went there I heard all the case. The man who was Miss Notice's husband summoned his wife. He explained at the group of people that he has caught his wife red handed with things which work in his house like; salt, soap and many other small things.

He said so because he has been refusing to buy anything in the house. He was telling his wife that he had nothing but what was happening was not providing in his house, it was always found that the woman was buying salt, soap and everything in the house.

If she was depending upon him, where was she getting some money for buying those things?

The headman's counsellor Mr. Ndembe asked him, if you were not providing in your house where were you thinking that she would be taking money for buying necessary things in the house.

He said that he knew that he is the one responsible in the house but he was not buying anything because he was not working and having any piece of work, which could be helping the family.

[Mr. Ndembe] then asked the woman where were you getting money for buying everything necessary for the house?

Miss Notice answered that she was selling her crops which she harvested last year. She had groundnuts and Makaka (dried Cassava).

When he was coming to marry me he found that she was depending on selling her crops which she harvested including maize. He also found that she had enough food to eat for about eight to nine months. They were all eating her food and it was a little time which he bought some maize in the house. She was also depending on the bag of maize which she was receiving from Concern Universal organisation.

But her husband was refusing to eat that maize which was received from the government. He was saying that he cannot depend on that food as if he does not have hands.

The woman also complained that her husband was refusing even to work in her maize garden. He was working at his home and she was refusing her to go there to work with him because he has no child with her therefore he would like to harvest all that maize and send them to her co-wife because there is his child.

But though he is saying that he has a child with his other wife, Miss Notice was not sure. All the people who were there laughed and others asked why is she not sure.

The counsellor asked her as well and Miss Notice said that I am not sure that this man has a child elsewhere. This is my second time to get married with him. I got married to him and I stayed with for three years but I did not give birth to any child.

During that I had already two children which I gave birth with my first husband. When the marriage ended with him I got married again with another man and I got birth to him with three children.

Now he has come again and he found me with a pregnant of seven months. He said that he is not getting worried to look after someone's pregnant because he has loved me and not the pregnant.

He will also love the child because he will be his child since he has married me. But now he has changed his mind. He is refusing to work in my garden because I have no child with him.

He is also telling me that I should not work with him at his garden because I am not supposed to eat that food since I have no child with him but he would like to send all that maize to his first wife because he has a child with her.

And he is refusing to buy food and all other small things including salt in my house because I have no child who can use his money.

He is also failing to buy clothes for me yet he knows that I am his wife and I have been working for him since he married me.

Now if he is telling me that he has caught me red handed with another man which man is he and he should show me the man.

At the end the man was asked to say what he wanted.

The man said that he wants to leave the woman but they should share some maize which was grown at his wife's garden because he went there to work for two days therefore he must see his power.

But the village headman refused that two days is not enough. The marriage ended.

THE END.