In 1992, Venerable Huili embarked on a journey to Africa. He established the first “Amitofo Care Center” (ACC) in Malawi during 2004, dedicated to caring for African vulnerable children and where more than 85% of world’s HIV-positive children live. Today, many years later, the founder continues with his compassionate practice of Buddhism in Africa traveling to all corners of Africa, and helping countless precious young lives. Nowadays, he is known as the “African monk” or “Monk dad” in the eyes of thousands of children.

[My relationship with ACC Yuan Jue School]

In 2017, I had the first chance to meet Dean Minru when she visited my school, Five Rand Primary School. She wanted to know more about the education system in Namibia. As a result, she came to visit the school frequently over time. I didn't know much about Amitofo Care Center (ACC) in Namibia at the time, but we all knew that it was a shelter for vulnerable children and disadvantaged children who needed life education, just like Five Rand Primary School. So in 2017, Dean Minru invited my department director and I to ACC in Namibia to observe the teaching standards of ACC Yuan Jue Primary School attached to the Assessment Center. We were also invited to the school to help students improve their reading and writing skills during the holidays.

I retired in 2018 and became the head teacher (department head) of ACC Yuanjue Primary School in Namibia in 2019. I do my best to make sure that all students receive the highest quality education.

Our goal is to protect children’s future and safety through education, teach them how to survive in difficult environments, and persevere even in uncontrollable situations. This is a school that brings hope, love, and redemption, and makes the dreams of children and their families come true.