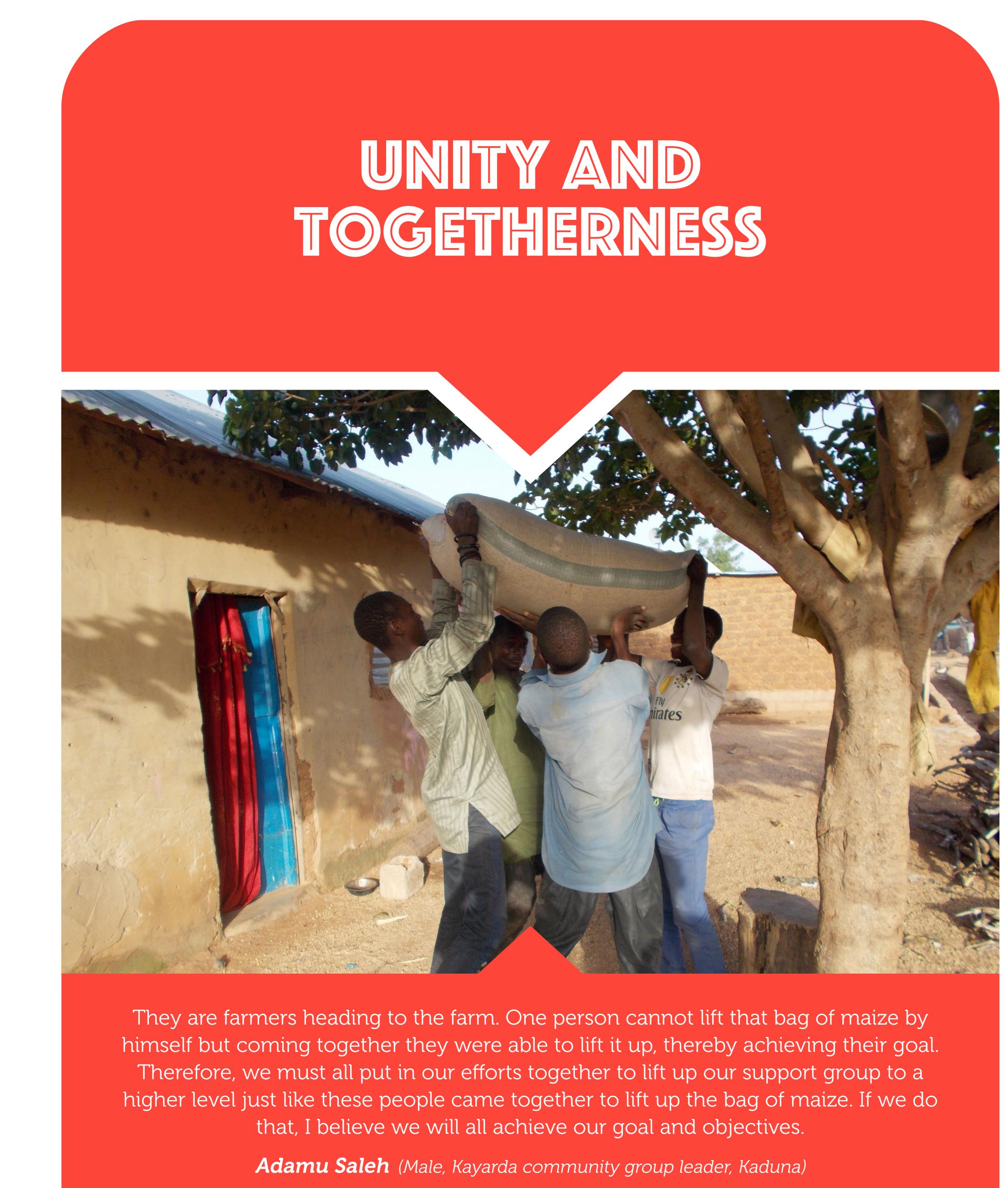
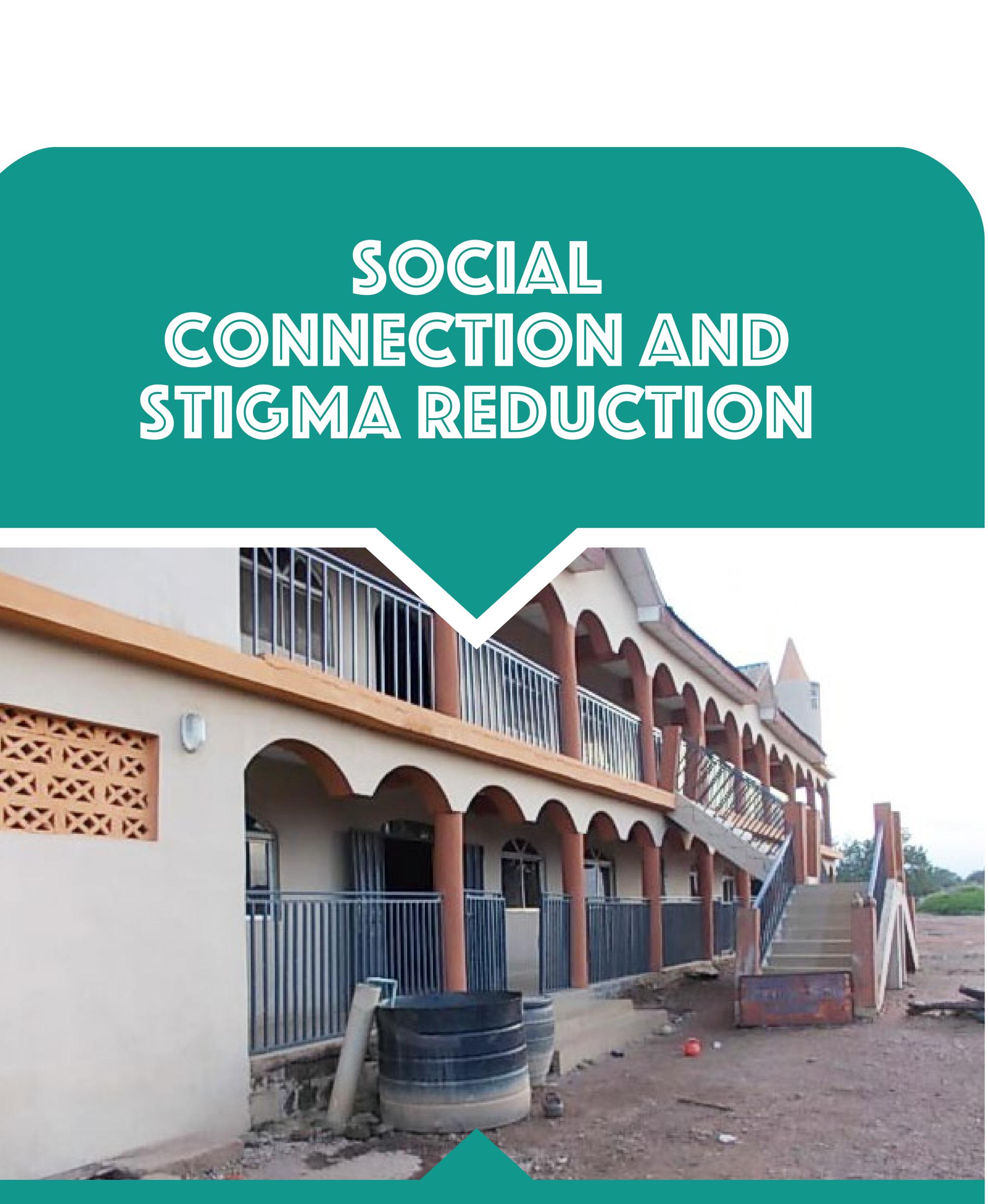


EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF COMMUNITY LED SUPPORT GROUPS

FOR PEOPLE AFFECTED BY NTDs IN KWARA AND KADUNA, NIGERIA







This is a picture of the community mosque. It represents feeling better about yourself.

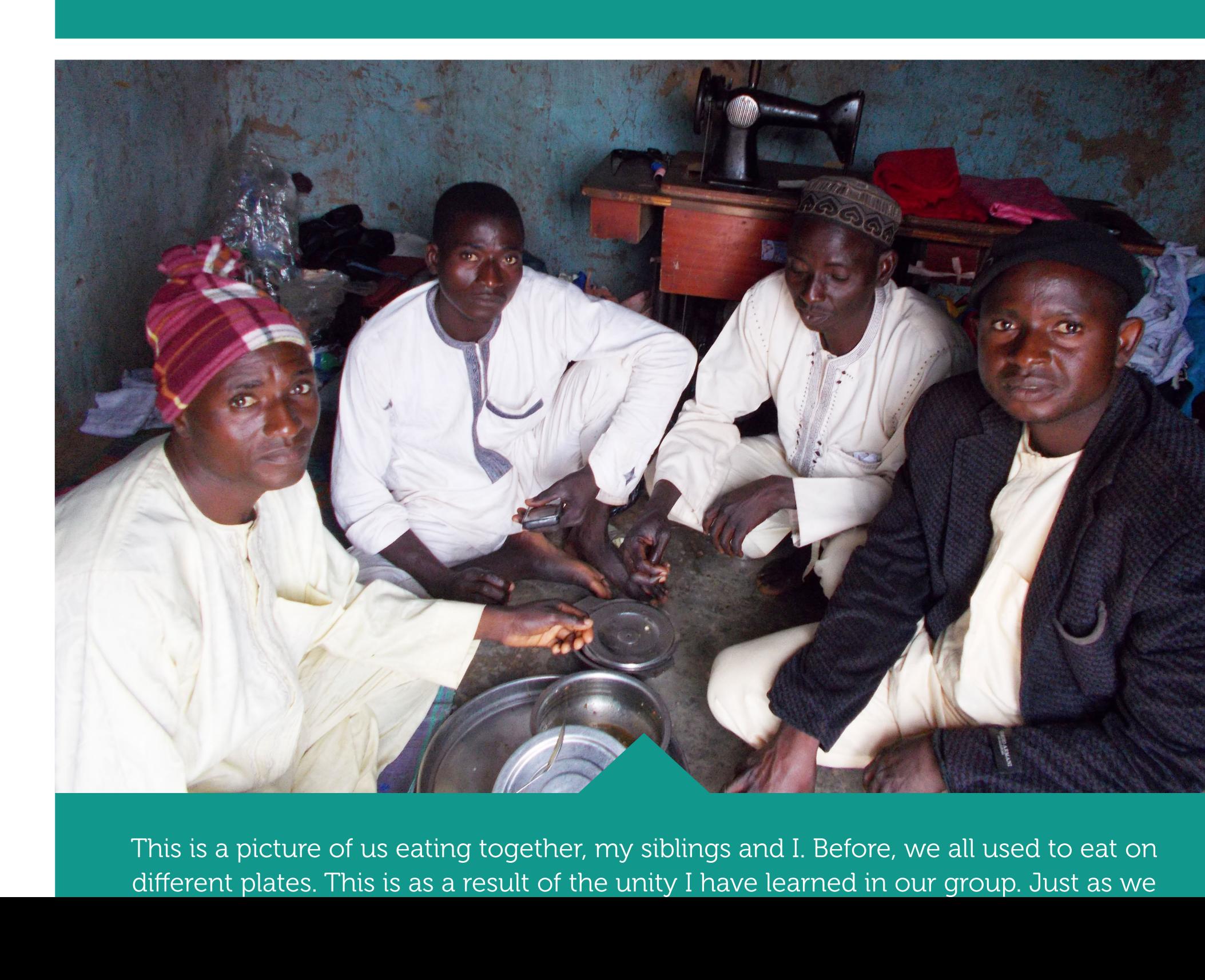
The support group has made most of the members to not feel shy about their condition

anymore. They now feel better about themselves. I also do not feel shy to stand by them

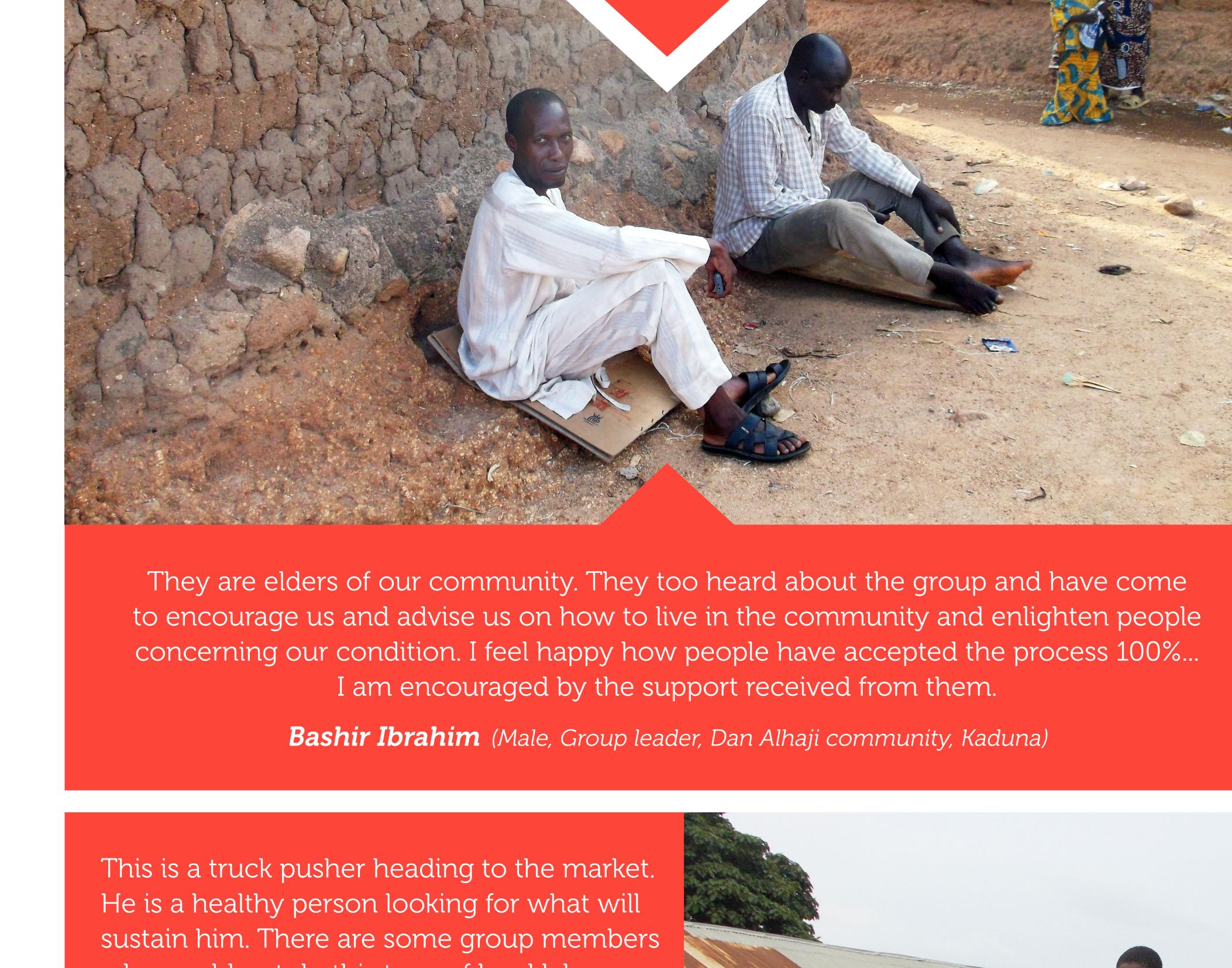
during prayers. I was thinking that the positive stories that the participants share

among each other gives them courage to live a normal life.

Issa Sabi (Male, Assistant district group leader, Kwara)



COMMUNITY ACCEPTANCE AND ADVOCACY





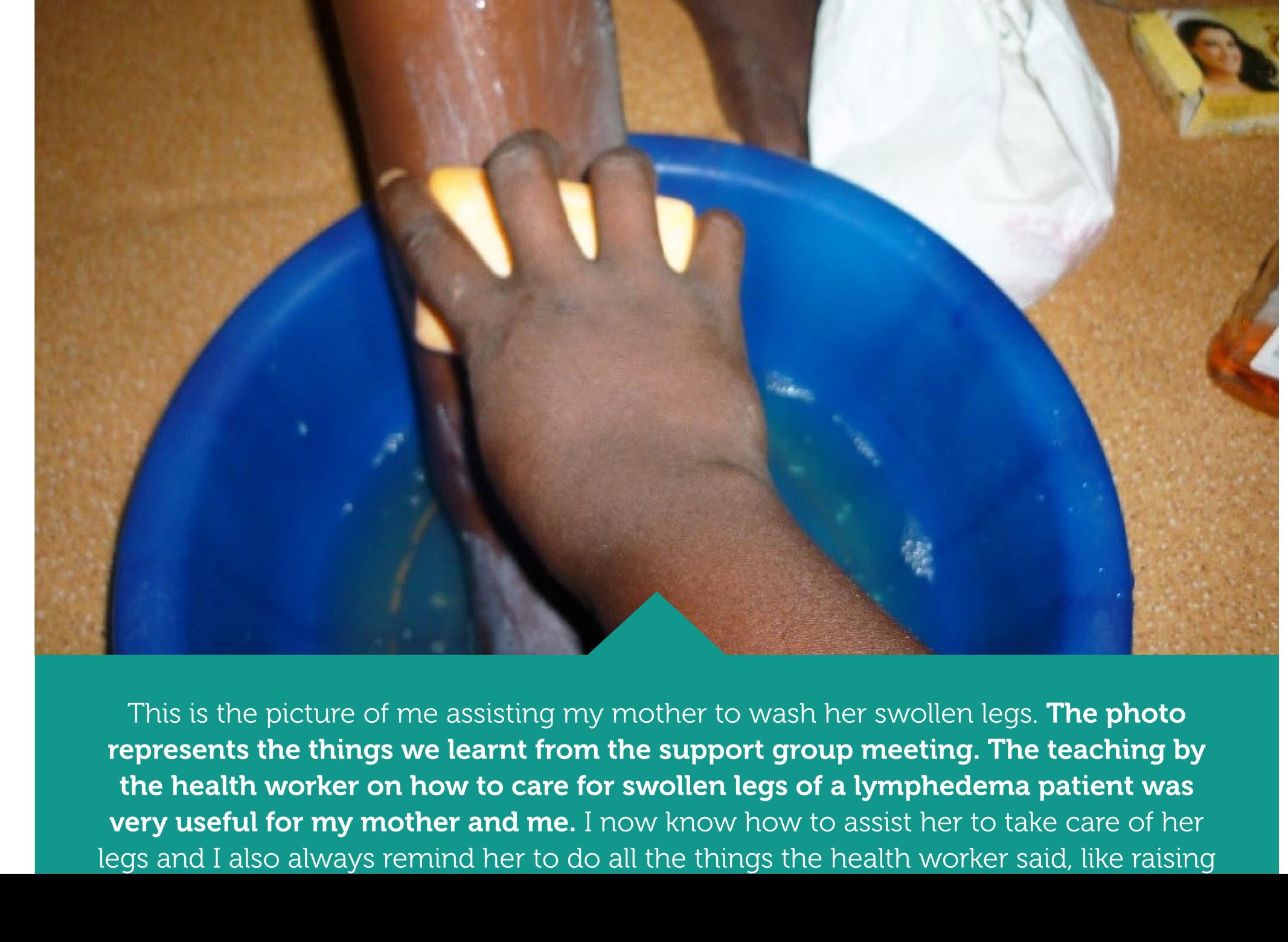


LEARNING, ENLIGHTENMENT AND IMPROVED HEALTH

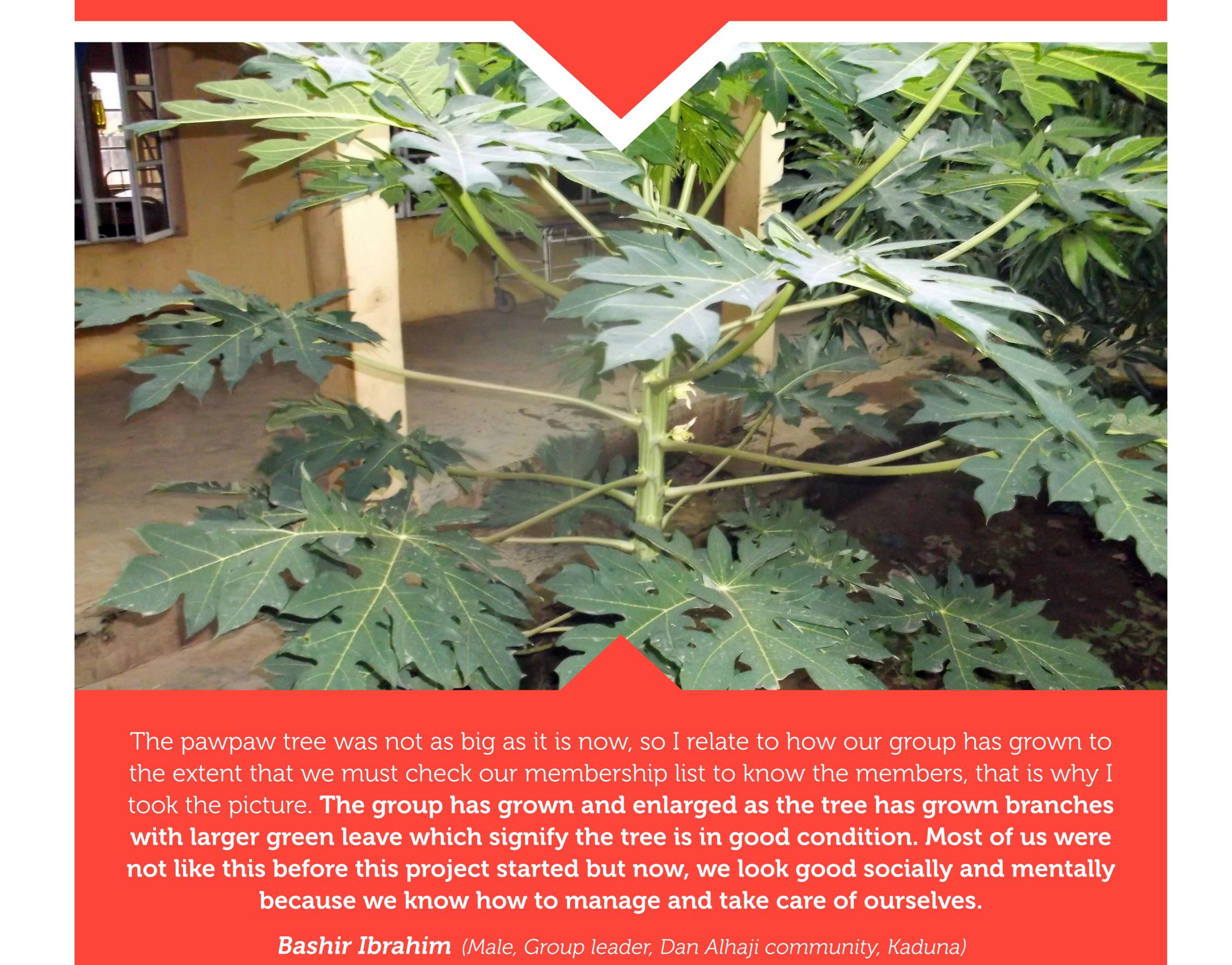


The opened window signifies how we are now enlightened through this support group, before it seemed we were in a room with doors and windows closed. This support group has shown us how we can take care of ourselves. I thought of the condition we were in before, the position we are now is in the form of a room with ventilation. The closed one represents us when we knew nothing, and the one open represents us now with our eyes open to so many things as a result of the support group and we are glad to be part of it.

Bashir Ibrahim (Male, Group leader, Dan Alhaji community, Kaduna)**



MOVING FORWARDS, PROGRESSION AND PERSONAL GROWTH





REVIVING LIVELIHOODS, INDEPENDENCE AND HARNESSING GROUP CAPABILITIES





support group is making the members not to depend on any one for money.

Adamu Hauwa (Female, Ilesha Baruba community group leader, Kwara)