



# Meet Ngabaghila Chatata

## Our First Pioneer

**Who she is:** Ngabaghila Chatata (Ngaba) is a prominent Malawian agri-entrepreneur and our first partner for the IAPP program. When Ngaba realized that Malawi was importing nearly all of its high value crops, she recognized a sizable opportunity and envisaged Malawi as a country that could grow its own food. As a result, she and her husband founded Thanthwe Farms.

**Profile of her Farm:** Originally starting with just a quarter of an acre, Thanthwe Farm now has 20 acres, grows a mix of horticulture crops and is situated just outside of Lilongwe. Today the farm constructs greenhouses for farmers and agribusinesses, grows and brings horticulture products to market and incubates other agri-businesses.

**Key Achievements:** Ngaba operates a profitable farm and has provided training for over 3,000 Malawians to empower youth, smallholder farmers and other agri-entrepreneurs. Currently, Ngaba provides training for 150 smallholder farmer households and incubates 180 agri-entrepreneurs annually.