

# Zambia Newsletter

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I thought that I would let Lorie write most of this month's newsletter since she is still in Zambia and hasn't written much in the newsletter for the past year. Several folks have complained to me that I have been leaving Lorie's part out of the newsletter lately; but the problem is simply that Lorie keeps so busy that I can't hardly seem to get her to sit down long enough to write something when it's time to publish a Newsletter! So, I told Lorie a month ago that it was her turn to write the Newsletter this time.

### Update on Kerin.

As I reported in the last Newsletter, Kerin (who is expecting a baby) has been experiencing some complications and was told by her Doctor to stay off her feet and rest. Thus, I left Lorie in Zambia (Jan 26) to take care of Kerin and to take over all her responsibilities. Kerin is now passed the critical period and is now at 33 weeks. Both she and the baby appear to be in good health and, thus, we are now awaiting the arrival of another grandbaby! By the time you receive this Newsletter, I (David) will be back in Zambia. We'll post updates on Facebook.

### Lorie's Reflections.

This month we want to celebrate each area of our ministry by sharing stories of precious souls that are being touched by God's love through you. Let's walk across the campus.



As the gate rolls open to Daybreak Mission campus, you can hear the voices of the primary school children singing the Zambian National Anthem. Our school has been blessed this year to add 2 more teachers and grade 7. We have 125 students and 15 more will join us in April as their moms join the bible college students. One student I want to feature this month is little James Mwanza (left). He joined our school last year, and he was very timid. He had gone through some bad experiences at his former

schools. At our kindergarten graduation last December, he received the most improved reward. We are blessed to have his sweet disposition as a part of our student body.



Just across the driveway from the primary school is the baby house. Kerin's Kids is changing the lives of vulnerable babies and children. One of the children Kerin is helping is a little 11-year old named Carole who has cerebral palsy. She has a special friend in the U.S. (Haidyn Moore) who honored Carole by sharing her birthday blessings with Carole. For her birthday she raised enough money so

that Kerin was able to buy a special chair for Carole that allows her to sit up; she has spent most of her life laying down in bed. This new chair is also part of her physical therapy. Haidyn, thank you for your sweet heart and willingness to help this little girl.

As you continue on down the driveway you pass the large yellow and white tent on the left where workers are busy making hydro-form blocks to be used in the completing the newest student apartment building and the office/classroom building. The original classroom building is just beside the block-making tent. As you pass by you can hear the Bible class teacher teaching the 3rd year students about having faith in God. These students will be the first to graduate from our 3-year comprehensive program for married students and go into the field as missionaries and preachers.

As we continue walking down the road through campus, you can see to the right the second-year student gardens (picture next page) which are vibrant with delicious vegetables grown by drip irrigation. Just beyond the gardens you can hear the sounds from the hammer mill and workshop. The tuck shop (small campus grocery store) is busy with customers from the campus and some of the neighbors purchasing items across the fence.

On the right side of the road just across from the tuck shop and workshop is our auditorium, which is a buzz with three classes. One of the classes is that of the student wives. Our women's



ministry is designed to prepare the wives of our students so that they might also serve effectively in ministry alongside their husbands. The first-year and second-year students are also in class at opposite ends of the auditorium (which is a large building of 120 x 50 feet). You can hear the sounds from one class singing praises to God in their local language while at the other end you can hear one of the teachers talking about showing God's love and living for the God's glory. After the morning classes are finished, you will see the students going out for evangelism in the local villages or working in their gardens.

If we continue to follow the fence to the right side on the auditorium (which also serves as our church building on Sundays) you will pass by our new baptistry on the left and just past that you will come to the third-year student gardens. And just beyond the gardens, you will come to the student chicken houses on the right. The peeping of hungry chicks can be heard for quite a distance.

As we continue walking, we now turn to the left at the corner of the campus and begin walking along the west fence. After only a short distance we come to the student apartment buildings. Here you can see 25 apartments and a dorm for the single students. You can also see one block of five apartments under construction (now up to the roof level). When these apartments are completed in April, we will have room for 30 families and 12 single students.

Just beyond the apartment buildings are the gardens of our first-year students. They have been the hardest workers, finishing the raised beds in record time. Some of these students have had to chip through limestone rocks to dig their raised bed, but no complaining. These first-year students were delayed in coming to campus in January because of the cholera outbreak, but their spirits weren't dampened. Based on what hard work we have seen from these students so far, we feel these students will go on to do amazing things for His Kingdom once they graduate.



Just beyond these gardens, we finally come to the 15-acre field of farm land. We left it fallow this year because of late arrival of the rainy season. As we turn the corner and walk along the north fence, we arrive back at the main gate.

We are so thankful for what God has provided for this ministry and we are excited about what God may accomplish through these students and this ministry in Zambia. But, we are mindful of the fact that none of this would be possible without our partners in the U.S. providing the financial support necessary for this ministry. This concludes our tour of the Daybreak campus. ....Ya'll come back anytime! -- Lorie

### **Meet Our Students: Bwale Rodgers**



I was born in 1991 in the village of Telesha in Central Province near Serenje (middle of country). There were seven in my family. My father is a peasant, village farmer and he is not a Christian; but my mother is a Christian. My father did not provide well for our family. Most of the time

my mother was the bread winner as my parents are not financially stable.

I am married with a baby girl. My wife, Sarah, has not yet been baptized but I am hoping that (when she joins me here at Daybreak) it will be a turning point in her life so that she will decided to give her life to Christ. I grew up in the New Apostolic Church, but upon discovering the truth for my life, I was baptized and became a member of the Church of Christ.

I believe that it was a call from God that I should come to DBC and become equipped with the Word of God inasmuch as I am a desire to be a spiritual leader. And, not only this, but also to become self-sustaining while preaching the Gospel. Being at DBC has helped me to be a better husband to my wife and father to my children.

Although I have not been at DBC very long, I know that I am going to grow much while attending this program. I highly recommend others to attend DBC because of the skills they are teaching us both spiritual and physically.

My future plans are to make disciples and train spiritual leaders who are interested and willing to make disciples also. Also, to teach church leaders to stop depending on church offerings and learn to do some other supplementary work like we are learning to do here at DBC (sustainable agriculture).

Upon graduating I intend to return home and fully apply the knowledge I have learned here at DBC about making disciples and farming. I know DBC will train me to do many things, especially to strengthen my relationship with God and others.

-- Bwale Rogers