

Zambia Newsletter

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The ministry in Zambia continues to flourish in amazing ways. We see evidence of this every month despite some of the challenges and setbacks that we experience in the physical dimension of the ministry. We suffered a major setback this past month with the death of our beloved teacher, Boniface. Yet, we are greatly encouraged by many other developments, and we are confident the Lord will provide what is needed as we continue this work in Zambia.

Death of Boniface Mambali.



It is with much sadness that we announce the death of our dear brother, Boniface Mambali. Boniface was one of our best teachers at the Bible College. More than anyone else, Boniface served as our Spiritual Leader on campus. He and his wife (Jean) spent many nights counseling our students in an effort to strengthen our students' marriages, and he devoted much of his

time to mentoring the students and leading them off campus in practical ministry (e.g., evangelism).

Boniface was just 57 years old and appeared to be in good health although recently he started experiencing some problems related to an enlarged prostate. There was concern that it might be cancerous, so he was taken to UTH. (main hospital in Zambia) for a biopsy. They did not find any



cancer but it was there that he got a sepsis infection which killed him in just a few days. What an unnecessary great loss! This is the fifth person we have sent to UTH and all five have died! Such is the state of medical care in Zambia.

Boniface leaves behind his wife, Jean, and several adult children (and huge numbers of spiritual children). He was an energetic, spiritual leader of outside integrity and humility. I don't know how we are going to find another man to fill his shoes. His wife, Jean, plans to continue working with our women's program as she is doing an incredible job.

Please pray for his wife (pictured with Boniface to the left), his family, and all of us at Daybreak Bible College. Our students and staff are experiencing a great deal of grief right now. We also ask that you pray that we will be able to find another man of such spiritual character to fill this void in our training program.

Increase in Labor Costs.

At the end of last year, the government passed laws that increased the minimum wage by 30%. Then, in August, the government announced additional laws (adding extra benefits) that will increase labor costs by another 20-30%. Although this hurts the Zambia economy, it is very popular among the masses as it makes the government appear as though they are looking out for the poor. However, what few people seem to realize is that it leads to inflation, job losses and hurts businesses (and fewer jobs created). This also hurts our ministry financially as we are a non-profit organization that sells a product for which we can raise prices in order to compensate for the increased costs.

Kerin's Kids (Orphans).

We have completed the new Children's Care Facility and we are working to get it registered and certified with the Zambian government so that we can begin operations. However, we are concerned about the rising cost of labor and are wondering if we have sufficient funds to sustain this ministry as it is quite labor-intensive (requiring large staff) – dictating that we hire two women for each 8-hour shift (6 workers), plus 2-3 others to cover the weekends and all the holidays and vacation time that the government now mandates (about 45 days off per year).

It is for this reason that we are making an appeal for financial support to fund this ministry. We will, then, trust in the Lord to

provide. I believe that If the Lord wants us to do this ministry, then the Lord will provide what is needed.

This is a great ministry for you as a family to support – giving whatever small amount your family can contribute each month. This is also a ministry that will save the lives of many children. You can also be assured that the funds will go directly to helping the children of Zambia without large portions of it being siphoned off by some large organization to cover advertising and a huge American administrative staff. Whatever you give to this ministry will go directly and completely to helping vulnerable children.

How to contribute? You can contribute online by clicking on the Donate button on our webpage (zambiamissions.org) or by mailing a check to Zambia Missions, 1910 Sycamore View Rd, Bartlett, TN 37134 and write “Baby House” on the memo line.)

Message from Dixon Settle.

Recently, Dixon & Flash Settle (Wilmington, NC) visited our campus. Dixon taught three classes over a three-week period. I asked Dixon if he would write a brief statement about his visit and his assessment of our ministry. Here is his report.

My wife and I were recently blessed with the opportunity to return to Zambia after six years of absence from serving there for a couple of years. Upon arrival we were astonished at the amount of physical growth in the capitol city of Lusaka. Building was everywhere. Traffic jams were unreal.

However, as we moved out of Lusaka into the village areas, we noticed that things were pretty much the same with poverty, pain and need as prevalent as in the past. But we did notice a major difference as we entered the gates of Daybreak: Mission of Hope. The location was well planned and developed with all the amenities needed for training and developing individuals for the Lord’s work.

Another great change was the nature of the students at work there. There was great evidence of effort and discipline in the work that was going on. I was able to teach a class on Business and Project Planning. The students were amazingly involved in the course concepts. They engaged me with pertinent and challenging questions. They internalized the material by applying what they were learning to their plans for their future endeavors. I know that they will bring glory to the Lord when they return to their homes with the knowledge and skills they are learning at Daybreak.

Endowment Fund.

We are continuing our efforts to develop a long-term plan for the continuation of this ministry in Zambia – a plan that will enable the ministry to continue after I am no longer able to continue in this work. This will continue to be a priority for the next 5-20 years (as long as God gives me health to continue). So, we will be engaging in a long-term effort asking folks to give serious consideration to making a contribution to our Endowment Fund.

There are many ways by which you can contribute to this Endowment Fund (e.g., Estate Planning, IRA contributions, etc).

We have worked out all the details with the assistance of financial and tax advisers so that we now have everything set up properly. For more information about the many different ways you can contribute to this Fund, please visit our web page: www.zambiamissions.org (click on Donate to Endowment).

Meet Our Students.



My name is **Kaphala Banda**, aged 31 and married to Loveness Mzamose Banda with one girl child. I am a First-Year Student at Daybreak Bible College (DBC). I am from the Chimolo village of Chipata in Eastern Province.

What made me come to DBC was my desire to learn and know more of the word of God. Not only that, but also to learn more about agriculture and raising chickens. For the few weeks I have been at DBC, it has already affected my prayer-life positively. After my training, I want to go back and help my village with agriculture and spiritual knowledge.



My name is **Emmanuel Hakonze**. I am 23 years old from Central Province of Zambia and a First-Year Student at Daybreak Bible College. I am a fourth child in a family of 6 and I have one child (boy).

My strengths are loving my family and those around me,

whilst my weakness being fear and lack of confidence in myself.

I am a member of the Church of Christ although my becoming a Christian was a long journey that involved a mysterious dream.

I came to DBC to be transformed as the school is very unique and different from every other school. It does not only teach theories but practicality. I am here to be a spiritual leader to my community who will be self-supportive and not a beggar to others. After DBC, I intend to return to my village in Mumbwa where I will do my chicken business and serve the Lord in ministry.