

Dear brothers and sisters,

My name is **Joshua Tucker** and I am engaged to be married to **Alisha Osburn** (see right) in April of this year. We are both currently enrolled at Sunset International Bible Institute and will be finished next year. Alisha and I both have mission experience with the AIM program, her in Thailand and I in Russia. We also currently work on staff with the Adventures In Missions program in Lubbock, TX.



Alisha and I plan to travel to **Zambia this summer** for a mission/survey trip and we would like you to prayerfully consider helping us. We are exploring options for mission work following our schooling, and we have been invited to come see the work in Zambia for the month of July.

The work we want to visit is called Mapepe Bible College, run primarily by Dr. David French. The school's goal is to advance the kingdom of God by training and empowering spiritual men and women of God, so that they might effectively go forth as self-supporting missionaries to make disciples throughout Central Africa.

This summer we plan to help out the work with various things like: medical missions, Bible classes, campaign trips, and encouragement. Our purpose is twofold: to help out in any way we can for three weeks and to see up-close if this is a work we want to invest in long-term. If you want to know any more about the work in Zambia or our detailed plans, please ask me.

For our trip we need to raise money primarily for the plane trip. Once we are there they will pay for our food and lodging, and anything else we need we have money for. Because of high plane ticket prices, the trip will cost us **\$4,000** altogether. We would appreciate you considering **any financial assistance you can**. If you don't have the money in your budget right now, we would really appreciate you considering taking up a one-time contribution. I would be glad to visit with you and present our plans in more detail if you wish. Even the smallest amount you would give would mean so much to us.

In the Old Testament God required sacrifices from His people for two basic reasons: forgiveness and worship. The worship smelled good (a fragrant aroma) but the forgiveness did not because it required innocent blood to be shed. The worship was a fragrant aroma because it came from the heart. In Phil. 4:18 Paul thanks the Philippians because they supported him financially, even when they didn't have to, which was a fragrant aroma to God. We know you don't have to help us, but if you do it would be a "welcome sacrifice, pleasing to God." We're praying deeply that you will consider helping us.

Because He lives,

Joshua Tucker and Alisha Osburn

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