

# ZAMBIA MISSIONS

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## Death of Simubali's Wife

It is with deep regret that I have to report to you the passing of our Thomas Simubal's wife (Christine) this morning (28 April 2009). Thomas is our Executive Director and has been my Zambian co-worker in this work since we first began in April 2005. As many of you will remember, Thomas and Christine had suffered the loss of two infant children over the past three years. Unfortunately, Christine never seemed to have recovered physically and emotionally from the passing of her infant children and had been quite sick since the death of the second child two years ago. Below is a picture of Thomas and his two remaining children, Malaya (his oldest biological child) and Tina (his adopted daughter).



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for Thomas Simubali and his two children as they mourn the passing of Christine.

Pray that God will bless our efforts to train and develop our staff as we endeavor to increase the quality of our training program.

Pray for our new Zambian President as his leadership is critical to the future of Zambia.

Pray for the people of Zambia who are truly suffering during this period of global recession. Prices for basic food items have sky-rocketed and thousands have lost their jobs in the copper mines as the cost of copper has plummeted in recent weeks.

Pray that God will bless us in our efforts to advance the kingdom of God in Central Africa.

Pray that God will protect us from the forces of evil that are constantly seeking a way to discourage and destroy this work.

Pray that God will provide what financial resources we need to accomplish our work this year in Zambia.



## Update on College Activities

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We just completed our Seminar in April. This year we have more than 42 students -- secondary teachers who are graduates of George Benson Christian College (Namwianga) who are working as self-supporting missionaries in the northern areas of Zambia where there are few churches. These teachers are part of a ministry called, Northreach, which is supervised by Roy Merritt (Namwianga) and Ken Hobby (Searcy, AR).

This is our three year to conduct this Seminar in April for these teachers during the annual April school break. The program lasts three weeks. This year the focus was on church-planting and evangelism.

Our summer semester will begin next week (May 4). We are expecting about 40-45 students for this year's program which will run from May 4 through Sept. The focus of this program is on Christian formation and ethics. Before training men for ministry, we begin first with this program designed to nurture the leader himself. Only those who demonstrate Christian maturity (moral integrity) and a passion for serving God will be invited to enroll in our leadership & missionary training program.

## Orphan Care Ministry

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Construction has now begun on the new Juvenile Rehabilitation Centre (JRC) that will provide an alternative to adult prisons for those children between the ages of 8-14 who have gotten in trouble with the law. In Zambia there is nowhere else to send juvenile offenders who have committed a crime (e.g. stealing). This project will be the first of its kind in Zambia. If you would like to help in this ministry, then you can find information about how to do so on our web page.

Our Orphan Care Ministry also continues to grow and develop as there are now more than 15 orphans being assisted on a monthly basis. Both this ministry and the JRC are being funded by Silent Angels and the Zambia Project, Inc. Richard Wagoner and Raymond Smith are the two heading up this effort.

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