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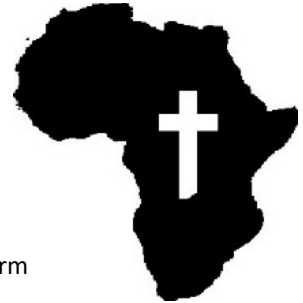
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Daybreak Bible College.

Things are going very well this year at Daybreak. We seem to have a very good group of students and Dennis (Director of the Bible College) reports that he already has 20 new students lined up, ready to begin in January (which is the maximum we have room for). Dennis tells me they have already been interviewed and are committed to coming.

Below is a picture of our students before they went out for Practical Ministry. This is something our students do every weekend either by foot or by bicycle. On this particular day, our students went out to do community service in the village of Shimabala where our students have recently started a new church. The church is now in the process of purchasing land on which to build a church building.



In the picture below the students helped in harvesting corn and conducting a Bible study.



Fielden & Janet Allison (long-term missionaries to Africa) visited Daybreak in May and taught three

classes at Daybreak in May. The first week they taught a class on Marriage to our Bible College teachers. It was the second part of a training program (first part was taught last year). This was part of an effort to train our staff to teach on Marriage and to learn how to work with students in improving their marriages.

The second week, Fielden taught a class on Conflict Resolution to the 3rd year students and Janet taught a class on Marriage to the first- and second-year students. The Allisons have been coming to teach these classes for the past 14 years.

Visiting Teachers (Upcoming): Ananias Moses from Botswana will be coming to teach a class in August on "African Traditional Religion." Ananias is a graduate of Harding (Master's degree) and is an outstanding teacher. He has taught classes several times at Daybreak in the past. Thayer Salisbury will be coming to teach a class on Ethics in November. Thayer is a missionary in Eswatini and operates a ministry that writes books specifically for African Christians. I will also be teaching a class on Spiritual Transformation in July.

Kerin's Kids (Orphans).



Kerin's Kids has added a new baby. Her name is Justina. She is about 2 months old now. Unfortunately, her mother passed away before Justina was a week old. She is now living with her grandmother who is her only caregiver. She lives in a village about 15 miles from our campus at Daybreak.

Kerin's Kids is now helping about 20 babies, most of whom have lost their mothers or have mothers

who are young teenagers for reasons that were not their fault. Most women do not have control over their own bodies. Some of the other babies that Kerin helps are babies whose mothers are very sick or too malnourished to nurse their children.

Primary School (ACA).

We have started construction on two more classrooms and a Science Lab which will allow us to add Grades 8 and 9 next year (starting in January). Hopefully, when these two classrooms are built, we will be finished with all our construction projects. We have had to spread these out over 6 years as we only have enough money to do a little at a time. We have managed to do this in large part due to the fact that we bought a machine 7 years ago that makes blocks out of dirt. So, we have managed to build quite cheaply -- mostly dirt, some concrete and metal roofing sheets.

We are still in the process of getting the Primary School registered with the government and established as a Testing Center for grade 7 exams. This has taken longer than we anticipated since there have been some government requirements that we have had to meet – mostly involving construction. The school will be registered as Aurora Christian Academy (ACA).

Agricultural Ministry.

Our students have all planted their gardens and are now all producing vegetables. This means that they are all self-supporting while attending Daybreak. The Freshmen have now also all brought their wives to campus (who have now entered into the women's program).

Periodically we hear news from some of our graduates. From what we have been hearing, it appears that our students are doing VERY well applying the training that we gave them at Daybreak. In fact, some of them are doing so well that they are becoming somewhat prosperous (in Zambian terms). It also appears that most all of them are teaching what they have learned to the churches where they now live.

Communication

I realize that many of you may not use email or the internet, but if you do there are some additional ways that I communicate with those who are interested in the work in Zambia. Here are some additional ways that I send out information about Zambia.

E-Newsletter. About every 3-4 weeks, I send out a newsletter by email. I am able to send this newsletter out because it doesn't cost anything to send emails. More importantly, I am able to include more pictures and videos. Although there is some overlap, this newsletter is different from the printed version that I mail out. The stories are shorter and include more pictures. If you would like to get this e-newsletter, then just email me at dfrenchzp@gmail.com and write, "sign up for e-newsletter."

Facebook. I'm not a big fan of Facebook, but it is a great platform on which to post pictures and videos. I try to post something about every 3-7 days. My posts are usually 2-3 sentences with a picture and/or video. The value of Facebook is that I am able to report news of events going on in Zambia almost as soon as they happen. If you would like to follow us on Facebook, then go to my Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/zambia.frenches>) and click on "Add Friend." You should be able to see our posts thereafter.

News From Our Graduates

Rodrick Maambo (one of our graduates) posted some pictures (see below) from this past week about his participation in an evangelistic campaign in Kabwe Zambia (central Zambia). There he met up with one of our other former students, Herbert Mooya, who is preaching for a local church. He writes,

"It was such a great honor preaching the Gospel together with my colleague/ fellow DBC alumni (former college mate), Evangelist Herbert Mooya, at the open-air conference with the Gospel Chariot team in Kabwe! Precisely at Kawama Church of Christ where his serving as a pulpit minister. In season and out of season the gospel of Christ shall be propagated without fear and trembling. By God's grace we shall continue living our spiritual identity in a physical world "

