

September 2016

Dear family and friends,

## **Many Thanks**

Greetings in the mighty name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for donating funds towards our trip to Zambia and for praying. God used our dear friend and sister in the Lord, Mrs Marian Pledger to answer your prayers and the prayers of our children. She took a personal loan for \$11,600 to help us to go. We left on August 1, 2016 and returned on August 15th. We thank you for praying and for giving to make this trip possible.



Before we left for Zambia, Peter, Tumba and Malchijah served as Summer Bible Club Missionaries here in the Greater Cleveland area. They taught clubs, vacation Bible school, summer camps and helped on field trips to the Amish Country, Waldameer Water World and the Nautica Queen Cruise Ship. They worked together as a team. Peter taught the Bible lesson and the memory verse. Tumbijika was the club coordinator. She coordinated the club activities, did the pledge of allegiance, and taught the missionary story sometimes. Malchijah helped with the memory verse, games and he also taught the missionary story. They worked well as a team. Peter and Malchijah both had an opportunity to lead other children to Christ. I would like to thank you

from the bottom of my heart for sponsoring them to be Summer Missionaries and for investing in their lives. Your investment is yielding a hundred percent of turnover. Thank You!



Our trip to Zambia was wonderful. It was such a blessing. We had a safe trip both to and from. We visited with family and friends. We evangelized and played Soccer. We visited the School project that I am building in Zambia, held prayer meetings, and I had the privilege to pray in church, on Sunday for seventeen children who gave their lives to the Lord. We shared candy that you sent. Both adults and children enjoyed a piece of candy that we distributed. Our children were touched and saddened by the fact that some children cannot go to school for the lack of funding. Peter asked one of them how much money they needed in order to go to school and they said an amount that is equivalent to \$75 a year. They are praying that God would supply \$75 for each of the friends they played soccer and shared Christ with.

Also, the school building projects has need to have water on the property. Workers have to walk for about half a mile or more to go and get water in a 20 gallons container to build. That's not enough water for the work to be done and they have to make many trips which is very tiring. While I was in Zambia, I spoke to someone about bringing water on the property. There is a company that can bring water for \$1,700.00 by drilling and sinking a borehole. This is a one- time fee. Once the borehole is drilled and the pump is sunk, a little tower will be built to hold the water tank and a pump will be connected to pump water into the tank and there will be pipes connected to the tank to supply water from the tank through the faucet. This is a one-time fee and once it's done, there will never be a water bill, but occasional maintenance. It's a worthwhile investment.

If you would like to donate \$75.00 to help a child in need of school fees to go to school, or donate any amount towards the \$1, 700 for a borehole (well) on the school building project, you can choose to donate in two different ways:

You can make your check payable to Village Hope and mail to:
Village Hope,
P.O. Box 32660,
Euclid, Ohio 44132.

2. You can make a secure donation on our website: www.villagehopeintl.com by:

**Givelify** - which is a secured network we use for all credit or debit card donations. **Givelify** will require you to sign up and create an account. You will need to choose a personal password for security purposes.

Once your donation is received, we will send you a receipt that you can use for tax purposes in the mail on the address that you will provide.

I am hoping to go back in November to work on the school building and other projects. I will share more information and pictures about the school in the next newsletter. Meanwhile, I am praying about taking the 4-12th graders in the spring of 2017. Please pray about sponsoring a young person to go on the education tour that will help them see how young people in other countries live. If you would like to be a part of this idea, please let me know.

In the meantime, children everywhere across the United States are back to school. Bible clubs will be starting across our city soon. I would like to thank all the Bible club teachers and helpers for their dedication and, and I thank you and appreciate you for your prayer and financial investment. Investing in Missionary Work is an investment that yields a hundred percent of interest. Your investment is not only being used to change lives here in the U.S, but throughout the world where I am a part of a missionary's life.

As a former CEF National Director of Zambia and an Instructor of teachers, I still have a part of the ministry over there. This year they reached 450,000 children of which you are a part through your financial giving. Their goal is to reach 500,000 children by the end of the year. "So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase".

I thank you for your prayers and for financially standing with me through the years. "The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and give you peace...," - Numbers 6:24-26.

If you would like us to come to your church and do a PowerPoint presentation, please contact us at: P.O. Box 32660, Euclid, Ohio 44132.

Yours for the Gospel of Christ,

Ruth Munkabanda-Powell