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LIKE A RIVER

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We went through four weeks with only scattered showers. That's bad anywhere. But when we only have maybe five months of rainy season, disaster is near. A cyclone came from the Indian Ocean and passed north of us, sucking all or our rain and dropping it on others. Some people lost some crops and others replanted before God, once again, answered our prayers over flowingly. The "Climate Change" people predicted by now we wouldn't grow much maize. Last year I saw the most rain ever, This year, in spite of the dry spell, may surpass last year. Public transporters mostly using six wheel trucks (this is how most village people travel) have practically stopped. Zambia should have plenty of food again this year. Rivers of water are not only flowing through the roadways. Rivers of living waters are flowing through the hearts of the people, continually surprising me. Even though I expected it to happen, the manifestation "shakes" me.

I left home early Sunday headed for Bbilili, where we have a Bible School (MOT-MOT) and where I had been asked to come and preach. I've preached there many times before, sometimes to less than fifty people. Underterred by the wet and muddy conditions, the building overflowed with more than three hundred people. Imagine a rural village over thirty miles from town, with other churches in the area, having three hundred in attendance! The Lord's message struck a chord with the people. In an age when it seems most peo-

ple think lying, cheating, stealing, adultery/fornication and other things done for personal gain at some other person's expense is at least some times O.K., probably eighty percent of the congregation made a commitment to God. They decided to live life the way we were created, God's way. The Holy Spirit enthusiastically heard their cries and covered us with His presence. People kept coming to me with testimonies, even after church, while eating, driving home, and it seemed everywhere I turned. Events like this will pick you up no matter what troubles you face. I hope you can feel it now. As a part of this ministry, this "high" is for you! Enjoy the fruit of your labor. I'm very sure you will be encouraged to do more.

My week teaching church leaders in Bbilili was another great week. A lady from West Virginia moved here in 1930 with a mission. It was a miserable place, infested with tsetse flies, snakes, pests and animals most Americans never

heard of. It was so bad, the Chief gave her another place to live and work where the conditions were much better. She lived and worked for the Lord in Zambia for forty seven years. When she died, the President of Zambia attended her funeral in the bush. By the grace of God, the place has changed. The tsetse flies are gone and I have yet to see a snake. Much more importantly, the wind and fire of the Holy Spirit envelopes our classes. The Praise and Worship teaching was the highlight this time. Students were overjoyed obtaining the knowledge, while at the same time saddened it had taken so long for them to know.

Nations are changing and God has chosen to use you working with us to do it. What could be a greater miracle?

Remain Faithful,

Bbilili School of Ministry



LIFE SKILLS by Linda Jones

March came in with more heavy rains, winds and flooded river crossings. House of Faith kids lost their first planting of beans, pumpkins and melons due to little rains in January. Our moms knew just what to do, they harvested what was there which was about what they planted 2.5 gallons. The freshly planted beans have germinated and we are praying there will be a great harvest this time around. Pray for our moms who work hard loving and caring for the kids and then teaching them LIFE skills on top of that. I am blessed to have 6 wonderful ladies working for the Lord loving and caring for HIS kids. Our teachers at House of Faith decided to have a 30

min class each day with our under 3's. I am still not sure about this but we are giving it a try. They are so sweet learning their body parts in English, colors, days of the week. Simple things but the key is early English. They all loved their new uniforms for the school year and our youngest love having a uniform like the BIG kids. 13 of our 17 town kids go to the church I attend in Kalomo. I so enjoy seeing them involved and singing for the Lord each week. Pray for these older children they so need prayers to make the grades needed. Zambia has certificate grades of passing. They are grade 7, 9 and then 12. If you don't pass

grade 9 with the right amount of credits you have one chance to retake the test six months later. If you fail

you have to start again from grade 6 with a new student number. We are just now wrapping our thoughts around this new process and we have 3 students having to retest in June. Our House of Hope kids are all doing great and we had a grade 4 boy skip to grade 5 he tested so strongly. They are all excited for Sheri's return in June for 6 weeks. Praying I will have things under control with all the new paperwork needed by the end of April. I also have to do the same new requirements at House of Hope. Michael had a Bible class to postponed this month so we are hoping to spend time at both sites catching up on projects. Teams are coming in May and late June. There is talk of a two man team coming to train our older boys not in school wood working. We are waiting to hear if it's going to work out. Skill training is so needed for the kids not able to move on in school. Thanks for prayers!



Prayer

For much schooling success..
 For our travel in mud and flood.
 For good upcoming harvests...

Praises

For tremendous rains this year.
 For successful travels..
 For the School of Ministry (MOT-MOT)..

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