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TEAMS ARE BACK

by Mike Jones

Since March of the year 2020, except for my daughter's family that came in January this year, no teams have come until now. A small group that included a Kenyan spent eight wonderful days with us. From October until the rains come in November (usually after the 15th) our usual good weather turns into a slow cooker. We started praying when we first heard they were scheduled to arrive around the first of November. I bought fans, and prayed some more.

Our first two nights would be in the valley near Lake Kariba, the hottest place in Zambia. We slept great from the first night because God sent the wind followed by clouds and rain (at least two weeks earlier than

usual) that dropped the temperatures to unusually pleasant levels. Miracles happen here.

This was the first work team visitors for my new family, and they were all very happy to work for the Lord. The rain caused rescheduling of outdoor events, but the church service at a little church on top of a hill was wonderful. I think every person came to receive a "touch" from The Master. I'm sure this church will never be the same, as the anointing of the Lord fell on us. The Kenyan taught us

some Swahili songs, singing and dancing (for the Lord), especially with our orphaned children.



Whenever unusual problems arise, it may just be something we are doing landed a "hit" on the devil (the kingdom of this world). Problems with vehicles occurred on the way to church, but we overcame and arrived right on time. Also on the way to Livingstone a big vehicle problem was overcome, as we ended up only delayed in touring Victoria Falls. By the way, Victoria Falls is magnificent, and we saw Rhino in the game park. As long as we keep our eyes on Jesus, we are on the winning side! People were, and are, saved, healed, and delivered, as well as being filled with the Holy Spirit. And other miracles, so precious and tender, I can't begin to tell.



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Three of our grown-up orphans graduated from a local Trade School and have jobs, which is exceptional in this country. While waiting for final exam results for some of the children, it looks like all of them will pass on to the next grade, which is also exceptional. Most importantly, they love Jesus!

We spent nights at Mapampi singing and worshipping God together with our precious orphans, meeting together in the kitchen building. It was marvelous!

The School of Ministry (MOT-MOT) in Chabbobboma completes classroom time this month. Then, the graduation celebration will follow. It may be that more Churches are being planted in that area, even before graduation, than ever before. Our class in Nkandanzovu is not far behind. Other new classes are

in-line to begin, which is exciting!

We got a good shower of rain again today. People are plowing and planting early. For the rural people of Zambia, and the overall economy, good rains bring prosperity. Last year was not a bumper harvest year. Yet, looking out from my house to-



ward the rail-road, mountains of stacked bags of maize (white corn) have risen higher than the house tops. Let's pray, believing God for even more abundance from the next harvest.

A common testimony we hear from our American visitors is, "We are

leaving soon, but the Jones' stay and live here." I have learned and love the truth of James 1:2. Getting upset when in uncomfortable trials generally prolongs the uncomfortable trial. Counting uncomfortable trials as joy not only leads to overcoming, but opens doors of opportunity to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. An American asked me, "Is anything easy here?" When I get my eyes off of myself and look at the miraculously wonderful things God has done, everything becomes easy (Mat 11:30).

The children we are raising in our homes, and the school sponsored children, and MOT-MOT, and the churches, and various other helps for needy people is bearing much fruit. Your heavenly account/reward, as a partner with this ministry, is surely overflowing. **Remain Faithful,**

Prayer

For good rains in good time.
For our children moving up to new grades/levels.
For beginning the new MOT-MOT classes.

Praises

For more churches planted.
For the ministering team from USA & Kenya.
For God's overcoming grace through all trials.

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