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CHOOSING GOD

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It's already getting hot when I rolled out of my tent and climb down off of the old Land Rover. While eating delicious buns baked in a crude brick wood fired oven the church built, more than twenty High Schoolers enter the church ready for class to begin, with their teacher. And they kept coming! The High School was preparing for the big end of year exams, and closed the school to all not graduating. These students and teacher walked straight to the School of Ministry (MOT-MOT) and sat down. Instead of going home, or playing around, without knowing if they would even be allowed in the class, they "pushed through", motivated by a great desire to be in "The University of the Holy Spirit".

The students and teacher had heard of the powerfully miraculous things God was doing through this ministry. Maybe they heard about the people that paid to go to the "witch doctor" receiving no good results, then went to the MOT-MOT students where they received their healing. Or maybe they knew the "animal like" demon possessed that were deliv-

ered and back in their right minds when the students prayed. Or maybe they heard about the eleventh grader in Chifusa (in another chiefdom), that joined our class whenever she had a break in her High School classes. Before long, other High Schoolers were also joining us, because



she went from a low class ranking eleventh grader right to the top! When we put God in everything we do "...the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail, and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath...(Deut 28:13)"

The first time I came to this area (Nguba) was my first year in Zambia. We had arranged to meet in a village where no road existed. The journey was hazardous, but we arrived in good time. The people we were suppose to meet with and preach were not there. We decided to push on to the next village and see if we could gather a crowd. We found a grass roofed church with a dirt floor and a bare footed preacher jumping around and shouting the name of the Lord. He welcomed me and asked me to preach. Everyone I saw that day responded to the "altar call", accepting Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Territory was taken for the Kingdom of God that day. Today, MOT-MOT is changing their attitudes and behavior from low level poverty to the "high life", where all things are possible, and the way of holiness is the only way to really live, and the Christian life is one that spreads the good news around the world. The fruit from MOT-MOT will continue to be produced through these students, I believe until the Lord returns. Our partners are partakers of this ministry's harvest.

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We thank the Lord that all of the orphaned children God has put in our care haven't needed any medical attention, and are growing up as children you would be proud to have as your own. They really are always very helpful and respectful. But don't think they live without temptations. We need your prayers. The blessing of the Lord on the people of Zambia has brought temptations to our children that previous generations never knew. Our children aren't given phones. They never use computers or devices without supervision. They don't watch TV, but some of their friends (most don't have it) from school and even church do, evidently without restrictions. I love our children too much to tolerate sin. With the help of my wife (unlike me, she has been where these children are, and was a mother for orphaned children) when our child is found going against the promises they made to us (against God) with hidden unacceptable behavior for which they knew the consequences, after prayer and tears we send

them back to their relatives. And a couple of our care givers we also sent away. Its one of the hardest things, but they always come back to me asking for forgiveness. Through the heartache we have great



confidence that with your prayers, our children will finish life well, as good and faithful servants of The Most High.

The church services keep getting better and better. A

pastor told me one time, "After you have ministered for twenty-five years, then tell me how excited you are." I've been ministering in some rather difficult places for about thirty years, and I'm more excited than ever to go out and see what the Lord will do. After Monday through Friday away from home teaching and sleeping in a tent, and Saturday catching up work from me being out, my body would enjoy resting with my family, but I'm "busting" to get out there, whether its driving hours on a dirt road, crossing rivers, maneuvering through the mud, whether the people are few or many, in a huge building or under a tree, I know people will be saved, healed, delivered from the demonic, filled with the Holy Spirit, and other signs and wonders will be seen by all. I'm excited my wife and children get to experience the powerful presence of God. I would love for you to experience His presence with us. His presence is like nothing else in the whole wide world. Remain Faithful,

Prayer

For good rains in good time.
For school scholarships for coming year.
For children living the abundant life of holiness.

Praises

For traveling mercies through testing conditions.
For MOT-MOT in many homes and churches.
For the prayers and support of our partners.

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