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ZAMBIA TRIP 2025

On the 8th April a team of five left Bristol and headed to Zambia. The team included two church leaders Richard and Kim Brown, and School4kids project administrator Pete Moorcraft, who have all visited Zambia on regular occasions over the years. They were accompanied this year by Peter and Helen Gossage making their first trip to Zambia.

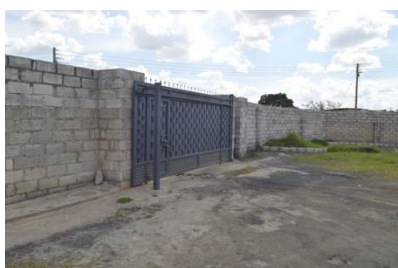


We had a good journey to Zambia leaving Bristol at 10:00 on Tuesday and travelling to Heathrow to get our first flight to Doha. The second flight was from Doha to Lusaka landing at 08:30 on the 9th April.

We were met by Pastor Joseph, his wife Betty and their son and daughter, plus Robert Bauleni who is part of their leadership team. We collected our hire vehicle and made our way to the hotel to check in and have a light lunch before setting off the Joseph's church for our first major engagement.



Joseph's Church -The Messianic Covenant Church





We had an absolutely amazing time - 3 hours in total. Their worship was powerful and they were all so welcoming, honouring us all with gifts of love and appreciation. Richard spoke on "Talking Donkeys" which seemed to land really well.

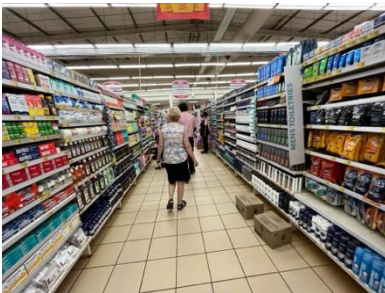
10th April - Off to Solwezi



We had an early start the next morning, catching the 6:30 flight to Solwezi. We were met at the airport by Maureen and several children from the school, many of which had prepared a short welcoming speech. It was very moving indeed.



We spent the morning at the school visiting each class, and in some cases observing some of their lessons. It was wonderful to see how the school has grown and the warm, loving atmosphere amongst all the teachers and children.



In the afternoon Pete, Pete and Helen went off to purchase gift bags for the children which we planned to distribute on Friday. Kim and Richard spent the afternoon with Maureen working through requirements from the ministry of education plus safeguarding policies. Maureen is doing well and is in good spirits.



Later in the afternoon the gift bag team returned, and we spent time packing bags and then attempting, but failing to load all of them all into the back of the car.



11th April – Giving out gift bags and mealie meal

On Friday we gave out the gift bags to all the school children.



Once all the children had their gift bags, we went to the church to distribute mealie meal sacks to the surrounding families.



Later in the afternoon we visited Evans' grave and headstone.



13th April – Church and flight back to Lusaka

On Sunday we visited Maureen's church for their regular Sunday morning service. We were welcomed with singers and words of love and appreciation. As always, their worship was powerful. At certain points in the worship, several of us were coaxed into dancing alongside others trying to copy the African actions to songs that we didn't understand because they weren't in English. It was great fun, but more importantly, full of life.



Richard spoke from the story of Moses, this time at the point where the Children of Israel are in front of the Red Sea but being pursued by the Egyptian army. God's word to them: Fear not, stand firm, see the salvation of the Lord.



Again it would seem that this was a very timely word, and when Maureen asked her congregation what they had learned from the preach, several people picked out key points and were very encouraged.



At the end of the service Maureen knelt on the floor in front of us in all humility and expressed her deep gratitude for all we have done over the years. She assured us that nothing is taken for granted.

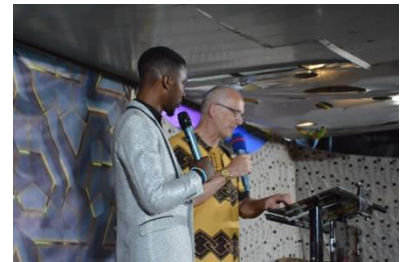


After the service we headed back to the hotel to check out and make our way to the airport for the flight back to Lusaka.

14th April – Culture Village and church "Promised land Ministry of All Nations".



On Monday morning we went to the culture village to buy some gifts, wooden animals, mats, spoons etc, all the usual things you find in African markets.



The afternoon was our final day of ministry where we met with Pastor Isaac and his church "Promised land Ministry of All Nations". Again, the worship was very African, with several different groups each bringing their own style of worship, including children from their Sunday School. The hall was packed - probably around 150-180 people. Richard spoke on "Jesus said: I am the Resurrection and the Life", which was very timely as this meeting was part of an overall Easter series of meetings. The word was well received.

After the service in the evening, we invited Isaac, his wife Maureen, and several of their leadership team to join us for dinner back at the hotel. It was a buffet meal. It was good to be able to bless them this way.



April 15th – Returning home

Our flight left Lusaka at 21:30 local time on Tuesday evening and we were back home in Bristol late afternoon on Wednesday 16th April.

We hope this short update has been of interest. **Thank you from everyone at**
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