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Hello from Bulawayo

Last month we went down to Sukwe for 4 days. It was hot! We almost melted. We cannot remember ever having drunk so much water. We went there to see the children we are helping with school fees, to check the progress of the church roof that Christ for the Nations is funding and to teach on Christian marriage.

Schools. Hope Unlimited is now helping 50 primary school children with fees in three schools. We went into the schools and talked to the children. This is what we found. Most of the children have only one meal per day. They have vegetables maybe two or three times a week and meat is once or twice a year plus weddings and funerals. Most of the children walk between one and three miles to school each day and will not eat until evening. Two of the children walk 5 miles each way every day on one meal of isitshwala (corn meal porridge).

We cannot eradicate poverty but we can help a few families. School fees range from \$10-\$16 per term depending on the school. \$10 buys 20kg (44lb) corn meal - enough food for a week for a family of 6 at one meal a day. What can you do to help? What are you willing to do to help? Just \$10 per month would make a tremendous difference to one family. Will you and your family help one family in Zimbabwe?

We took a young friend of ours from the church, Rumbidzai Wekwete. She went to Sukwe School, preached the Gospel and 38 children received Christ. She then got the children to do a skit at the school assembly the next morning.



Buvuma School children we are helping

Sukwe School children we help



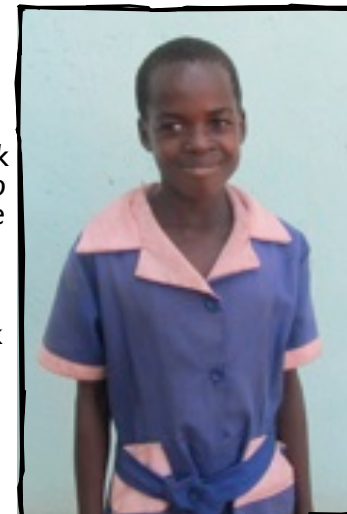
Rumbidzai with some of the children

Addressing the school assembly



Evans Maseko.

He lives with his mother. He and his brother Blessed walk 5 miles each way to school. They eat one meal a day. He wants to be a teacher. Blessed wants to be a truck driver. They last ate meat on Christmas Day



Uratile Ncube

She also lives with her widowed mother. She walks two miles to school. She eats two meals a day. Her best subject is English and her dream is to become an air hostess



Ministry to Married Couples

It was so hot inside that we had to move out into the shade of the trees. Fifteen couples were there, and what a need for teaching. The question and answer sessions were so good. We plan to go back and continue later in the year. Unfortunately, the pastor's son was killed in a road accident and the teaching had to be cut short. Two of the couples are pictured left.

Evening Meeting

We had a wonderful evening meeting with a good crowd there. The three ladies in the picture below had



ear problems. They were all healed. The one on the left was deaf in her left ear; the one in the centre had severe pain in her ear and the one on the right was hearing noises.

Church Building

We are so grateful to Christ for the Nations for the roof on our church building at Sukwe. Through their Native Church Program, they have funded the roofing materials. The project will be completed in time for our national conference at the end of April when we have the official opening and dedication. The congregation have worked very hard on this project and have done an excellent job. We praise the Lord for all that He has done.

Drought

The sun beats down pitilessly from a clear blue sky. It is nearly six weeks since the last rain fell and the corn crop is wilting. A few more days and it will be past the point of no return and there will be no harvest this year. This is the cop that would have been the food for the family and paid the school fees for the children. The heat has to be experienced to understand it. We felt we were melting and never have we drunk so much water. In spite of that, we were treated like royalty.



No grass. Goats and donkeys browse on the bushes



This is what the grazing looks like. In a good rainy season, the ground will have a covering of short, sweet grass.

These are the roads we travel in the bush or 'makayas'. Sometimes parts are washed away in a flash flood and then a new road has to be made for the ox and donkey carts.



South Africa and UK

We leave early on March 18. I preach in Beitbridge in the morning and then we go on to the Hope Unlimited Indaba at Shikaru Lodge where we will be looking at the future of Hope Unlimited over the next 5-10 years. We will have leaders from the USA, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

On March 21 we take part in a prophetic activation workshop in Johannesburg and the next day we fly out to UK. Sithandwa will meet the family and some of my friends of over 60 years' standing. We will also be celebrating my 70th birthday (March 28). My sister in law is getting married March 31. We will be spending Easter with Darren and Cheryl, returning home in mid-April.



Ntokozo Ncube
Ntokozo is in Grade 7. She lives 2 1/2 miles from school. She and her family eat 2 meals per day. Her best subject is English and she would like to be a nurse.

Nthabiseng Ndlovu
Nthabiseng has set her sights on being a teacher. She is in Grade 6. Her best subject is Maths. She lives with her grandmother. They eat one meal a day. She lives 1 1/2 miles from the school.

We are still very much involved with Victory Fellowship and have recently preached at three of the branches in Bulawayo. I have taught on marriage, prophecy and practical ministry in the neighborhood.

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In His love and service

David and Sithandwa

