

### KALOMO REPORTER NEWSLETTER June 2024

Revealing Jesus Through EDUCATION, HUMANITARIAN SERVICE & CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

### Faith, Food, and Gratitude Your gifts are feeding hungry Zambians



Wilson Siazilo is Namwianga's Food Relief Coordinator. He shared this story about a woman who was helped by your generosity.

I saw Janet when our food relief truck rolled into Nyanga village. I could tell right away that she was starving. up and get it. A team member took the bag and laid it beside her. Later a friend had to help her carry it to her home.

Even though she was weak, Janet waved her hand in the air and said, "Thank you, God. Today we will eat." She realized God was working through people, and on that particular day she saw the hand of God giving her food.

Her eyes were sunken, and her lips were dry. She sat on the ground with her legs straight out in front of her.

I found out she had walked more than a mile that morning to get to the food relief site.

Here's what she told me: "When I heard you were coming, I knew I had to get here. There is nothing at all in my house to eat. I didn't know what I was going to do if you didn't arrive today."



Thanks to your gifts, Janet has food to eat: "Praise God for working through you to bring food!"

I see many people coming to God because they see God helping them through food relief. Village headmen are asking for evangelists to come to their villages and plant churches. Church attendance is growing.

Thank you for caring about us here in Zambia, and thanks for your generous gifts to provide food.

Your donations are purchasing and distributing food in the areas that were devastated by the drought.

Our food relief team members were giving out 55-pound bags of mealie meal (ground maize).

When we called Janet's name to come get her bag of mealie meal, she was too weak to walk Lack of rain destroyed the crops that subsistence farmers depend on for food and their cash needs. With no food, they face months of hunger before the next harvest in March of 2025. Find out more at zambiamission.org/food.

# Water Wells Change Lives: Thank You!

Your generous gifts funded 42 new water wells in 2023. Each well improved the lives of individuals, families and communities.

Mabel Chamwika knows how a water well changed her life. Before the well was drilled in Diindi Village, Mabel walked long distances to collect water from a source that was shared by animals. She lost hours of her day getting water, and her four children suffered from waterborne diseases.

Mabel's life is different since your generosity through Zambia Mission Fund paid for a well in her village. Now she has a nearby source for buckets of clean, safe water.

Mabel is grateful to donors: **"Thank you very much for the well that you drilled here.** We are so thankful because we were drawing water very far from our home. We are no longer suffering from water diseases like diarrhea and stomach pain. Thank you!"



A nearby well provides clean water for Mabel to carry home to her family. Thank you!

# Food Relief: Your Kindness at Work



1. Church leaders bring requests for food relief to Wilson Siazilo at Namwianga. The leaders provide the names of people in their community who need food.

2. Namwianga leaders use your donations to purchase mealie meal (ground maize). They buy in large quantities and can negotiate good prices.



3. The maize is loaded onto a flatbed truck. Members of the Evangelism and Spiritual Growth (ESG) team ride along to the distribution site.

4. The ESG team leads a worship service for the gathered community at the site. They emphasize that the food is given in the name of Jesus.



5. Families receive food according to their needs, regardless of church affiliation or beliefs. They leave with gratitude and thanksgiving to God.





Food relief will continue as long as there are funds available. Thank you for donating to feed the hungry.

# What Your Generosity Has Done

#### Going Places: New Vehicle Helps Outreach Efforts

Your generosity funded a new vehicle for George Benson Christian University College (GBCUC). The vehicle you provided is in constant use to meet student needs and to take students and staff on outreaches.

**College administrator Kadonsi Kaziya expressed his thanks: "We are grateful for the gift of this vehicle.** We have used it to reach out to congregations around this area. Many lives have been transformed and many have been baptized because we have this transportation. It is a wonderful gift. **Thank you very much!**"



#### **Because You Care: Infections Reduced**



Your generosity is ensuring that expectant mothers in remote rural areas have Clean Delivery Kits. The kits are an effective way to save the lives of mothers and babies by reducing infections.

Each kit contains simple, easy-to-use items that are especially helpful for women who will not have access to a clinic or hospital for their deliveries. The kits are given to expectant moms who come to Zambia Medical Mission clinics or to Namwianga Mission Hospital for prenatal visits. **Thank you for caring about moms and babies in Zambia**!

#### **Heartfelt Thanks for Gifts That Heal**

Your financial gifts purchased medicine for this year's Zambia Medical Mission clinics. When the first clinic of 2024 opens on July 6, the mobile pharmacy (also known as Pills on Wheels) will be stocked with the pills, capsules, ointments, solutions, and supplies that you funded through your generosity.

Dr. Stephen Chanda has this message for you: "We are so grateful for the donations that you send to us. The money is used to buy the medicines for Zambia Medical Mission. We will take them to the rural areas where we go to serve the people who do not have access to medical care or medicines. These medicines will go a long way to relieve their pain and heal their ailments. We thank you."



Dr. Stephen Chanda, Zambian Medical Director for the medical mission, is grateful for your support.

Zambia Medical Mission still needs additional funds for medicine. You may donate online at *zambiamission.org/medicine.* 

**Thank You for Your Support** 

## Legacy Donor Spotlight: David and Linda Gregersen



David and Linda Gregersen were full-time missionaries at Namwianga from 2005 – 2010. They now live in Mount Vernon, Missouri, and continue to support Namwianga ministries. Linda serves as Student Sponsorship Coordinator.

"Find a place where God is at work and join Him there." That advice from a book by David Garrison has shaped our involvement with

Zambia Mission Fund for 20 years. We have seen God at work through Namwianga's ministries, and we are honored to join in.

One way we have chosen to join in God's work is by including Zambia Mission Fund in our estate plan. We simply designated Zambia Mission Fund as a beneficiary of an existing IRA. It was simple, easy, and quick. But best of all, we know that through a legacy gift we can be a part of God's work at Namwianga even beyond our lifetimes.

*Your estate gift can change lives in Zambia. Find out more at zambiamission.org/legacy* or call 1-800-993-3461.

### Hunger Crisis in Zambia: You Can Help!

"For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat." Matthew 25:35

A terrible drought has ravaged southern Zambia. There was no harvest at the end of this year's growing season. With no harvest, there is no food now, and no food for the coming year. Instead, there is hunger. Desperate hunger.

The next harvest will be in March, 2025, so there are many more months of hunger ahead. The good news is you can help.

You can ease the suffering of hungry Zambians with your generous gift. It costs an average of just \$1 per day to feed one person.



With your compassion and generosity, food relief will continue in the name of Jesus until the next harvest.

Please give today using the enclosed form and envelope or donate online at *zambiamission.org/hunger*.



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#### I want to provide food relief in the name of Jesus

□ Here's my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_to feed hungry Zambians