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Revealing Jesus through EDUCATION, HUMANITARIAN SERVICE & CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

From Classrooms to Congregations College Graduates Are Changing Lives in Zambia

"I'm ready for this mission work." Buumi Siakaloba was confident as he arrived at Siantete Basic School. Siakaloba and two other George Benson Christian University College (GBCUC) graduates had been sent to teach and start a new congregation at Siantete. ers from Namwianga Mission have inspired our students to reach their full potential. Their passion, expertise, and compassion have enhanced our academic programs and contributed to the moral and spiritual growth of our students."

The trio and 15 other young graduates were sent out in January to serve across Zambia. At GBCUC, they trained as secondary school teachers. But they also gained Bible knowledge, ministry skills, and church-planting expertise to spread the message of Jesus in unreached communities.

Now, they are prepared to teach and build a new congregation in Siantete. "I'm very grateful for this opportunity," Siakaloba said. "For the past four years at GBCUC I have learned many things on how to do church planting."



Your support prepared Buumi Siakaloba (far right) and two other GBCUC college grads to teach and share the gospel. The headteacher of Siantete Basic School (second from left) welcomed the young missionaries and encouraged them to start a church at the school.

Placing graduates as teachers in mission areas has been a remarkably successful strategy. Since the program began in 2003, more than 200 churches have been planted. Villages that had no congregations 20 years ago now have thriving churches. These congregatons are reaching out to share the gospel in other communities.

Your support of student sponsorships, evangelism, and education efforts at Namwianga prepares young missionaries to bring hope, education, and the love of Christ to communities across Zambia. Thank you for your commitment and generosity!

Local head teachers are eager to welcome GB-

CUC alumni. The young leaders have proven to be outstanding teachers and role models. Here's how one headteacher described them: "The teach-

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Food Delivered!

Here's how your generosity made a real difference for a hungry mom and her children.

Susan has struggled to feed her family during this year's terrible drought. She described her helplessness: "You run out of words when your children gather around waiting for a meal. They say, 'Mommy, we are hungry.' I tell them to drink water before going to bed, but they cry for real food. I cry secretly, too, for not being able to provide for them."

But Susan's tears changed to joy when food relief arrived!

Wilson Siazilo from Namwianga brought Susan a 55-pound bag of mealie meal (ground maize). When she saw the food, Susan was speechless at first. Then she found her voice and threw her hands in the air, crying, "Praise God! Praise God! Thank you!"



Luyando have food to eat!

This family is only one of many who have been helped through your

support of food relief efforts. Thank you for being the reason behind their smiles. Thank you for caring, and thank you for giving to meet the needs of those who are hungry.

Hope for the Harvest

This is the rainy season in Zambia, and the fields are filled with promise. After the devastating drought in 2024, farmers are hopeful that the harvest in March and April will be plentiful.



Your support of food relief efforts provided fast-growing seeds to farmers. The maize crops from those seeds are flourishing.

Your generous support of the food relief program is making a difference. The food relief team distributed high-quality maize seeds that grow quickly and require less time to produce. These seeds promise to yield great crops and help farmers develop resilience.

The food relief team also provided seeds for fast-growing peas and sorghum. These are two staple crops that improve nutrition and livelihoods in the region.

For many families in southern Zambia, a successful harvest isn't just about sustenance-it's about survival. Your contributions have enabled Namwianga to provide the tools and resources these farmers need to thrive, even in the face of challenges.

February and March are crucial months for food distribution. Many families are hungry as they wait eagerly for the harvest. Food relief distributions will continue until the harvest ends in April. Donate at zambiamission.org/hunger.

What Your Generosity Has Done

"You Lifted My Burden"

Because of your generosity, 13-year-old Trines now has a wheelchair and her grandmother has relief. Trines has cerebral palsy and lives with her grandmother. For years, her grandmother faced the daily challenge of carrying Trines everywhere. It was exhausting and limiting for both of them.

Everything changed when Trines received a wheelchair. She now can move on her own, and her grandmother finally has some relief from the physical burden she carried for so long.

Grandmother is grateful: "My granddaughter has gained mobility, and the burden of lifting has been reduced. Thank you!"

Because of you, their lives are forever changed. Thank you for making it possible.





Your Holiday Giving Changed Lives

Thanks to your incredible generosity, Zambia Mission Fund's holiday gift catalog made a huge impact! Your support provided 84 goats, 49 newborn kits, 45 Tonga Bibles, 18 wheelchairs, 22 school supply sets, 3 water wells, food relief for 391 hungry people, and support for other urgent needs. Every gift honored a loved one while changing a life in Zambia. Thank you for making such a meaningful difference!

The Joy of Clean Water — Thanks to you

Last year, your generosity funded more water wells than ever before. Now 55 communities in Zambia have clean water. Hundreds of families now have access to fresh, safe water right in their villages.

For years, residents of these areas relied on polluted ponds, streams, and hand-dug holes for their water. Woman and children would walk miles every day just to collect dirty water—water that often made them sick.

But now all that has changed. With clean water families no lunger suffer from water-borne diseases. Women have more time to do other things. And healthy kids can attend school regularly. **Thank you for bringing the joy of clean water to 55 communities!**



Donor Spotlight – Nelma Scoggins



Nelma Scoggins from Phoenix, Arizona, just celebrated her 95th birthday on February 6. She has been donating to Zambia Mission Fund since 2021.

I donate to Zambia Mission Fund because I have seen pictures and comments about the great need there, and I know that the funds are being used in a timely manner to help the most people. I am also very happy that the gospel is being preached. Souls are being added to our Lord's church as a result of Bibles being made available and ministers being taught to deliver the gospel.

The smiles on the faces of the beautiful people there who are being helped just make me so happy. It makes me feel good to be a very small part of that.

From Heartbreak to Hope Your gift can make a life-saving difference

When a mother dies in childbirth, the heartbreak is unimaginable. But for her newborn, the fight for survival begins immediately.

Who will care for this tiny life? A loving aunt, a devoted grandmother, or maybe a brave older sister will step in. But there's one question they all face: How will we feed this baby?

In rural areas, infant formula is a luxury many families simply can't afford—or even find. And without it, a motherless newborn has little chance of survival.

That's where the Milk Fund at The Haven orphanage steps in, providing

life-saving formula to motherless infants. Caregivers bring their babies to the Haven every month to receive formula, health checkups, and support until the infants are strong enough for solid food.

These babies rely on compassionate supporters like you. For just \$30, you can provide infant formula to feed one baby for an entire month.

Your generosity can save a baby's life. Please give today.

Yes! I'll make a life-saving difference for a baby in Zambia.

□ Here's my gift of \$_____ to provide infant formula for the Milk Fund.

Or donate online at zambiamission.org/milk.



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