

THE REA FAMILY

Missionaries to Zambia



Spring 2015

Prayer Requests:

- Our transition to Zambia
- Funds for Printing:
- To move the equipment
- Paper, once in Africa
- Our vehicle purchase in Zambia

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Move To Zambia Underway

The last few months have been filled with the difficulty of the Zambian work permit. It has been a time of testing, filled with unknowns and stress. Things changed with the connections we had to help us gain entry to Zambia due to situations unrelated to us. God seemed to let us wait, worry, and learn to trust Him more. For a few months I had no idea how I would get in to the nation of Zambia – while at the same time being impressed by God that He wanted me in that nation!

Many people told me, “Don’t worry brother! God wants you there, he will provide a way!” I will be honest with you all, I knew they were right, but that did not alleviate my stress over the matter! After exhausting every source I could think of (and I thought of MANY) God have given us four different organizations that have expressed the desire to provide the paperwork we need for our work permit. One man has been praying for us for 3 years, and contacted me directly with an offer of help.

Praise God !

I will arrive in Zambia on April 30, 2015. I plan to submit our paperwork for our work permits as soon as possible. I will also try to buy a small car that can be used while I am in Zambia on this trip and also as a fuel efficient vehicle for use once we arrive. I am told that the process of finding a semi decent car and getting it licensed and insured is very difficult thing to do.

I also plan to visit a number of cities from Lusaka through the Copperbelt with the purpose of identifying a property to rent for our home and the printing operation. In addition I will be following up on my contacts from prior trips.

I am not sure when I will return, I am thinking 3-5 weeks. Once I return we will load the containers and fly the family to Zambia.

I have been encouraged by many of our supporting churches to communicate our needs. We have been blessed during deputation and God has provided for us wonderfully. The printing ministry has put a financial burden on us in two ways: first in the acquisition of the equipment and second in the shipping of the equipment. However we are very excited about the ability to print literature in Zambia!

At the request of our pastor we prepared a summary of our financial need about 3 weeks ago. The shortfall is just over \$13,000. This includes shipping not only our person effects but all of the printing equipment as well. It also includes the purchase of a vehicle and the setting up of a home in Zambia. We have saved up close to \$32,000 for the move thus far.

Please pray for our move, my trip, safety as we travel as well as the safe shipment of the printing equipment and our belongings to Zambia.

Major Costs: (Summary)

Airfare for family (One way only)	\$9600
Vehicle	\$8000
Home rental: (6 mo Advance)	\$4200
Appliances: (stove, washer/dryer refridge)	\$3200
Shipping of person goods (20' container)	\$10000*
Shipping of printing equipment	\$10000*

**this includes the cost of buying both containers. This adds quite a bit because shipping two 20's is more expensive than shipping one 40, and renting the container is cheaper than buying it.*

The reason we are buying the containers, and buying 2 20' instead of 1 40' is that these containers will become a temporary print shop. We plan to set them side by side about 15-20 feet apart and build a roof over them. This will give us a semi portable shelter for the printing equipment. It is far from ideal but it should work until we can get land and a real building.

We have saved about \$32,000 (savings and sale of vehicles) So we are in need of \$13,000 plus the \$1000 of the \$3000 for this upcoming trip. We are moving forward and trusting God for the supply. (\$2000 of the \$3000 needed for this trip was supplied by our sending church, they are also planning to help with the \$13,000 need as well.)

Thank you for your prayers, and faithful support.

In Christ,
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