

# THE REA FAMILY

Missionaries to Zambia



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***Prayer requests:***

Training of the men  
in the Bible College

Discipleship of  
new converts

A more durable vehicle  
for our family

Health and safety

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**New Location Secured**

After much searching we have secured a small single room alongside an auto repair shop to meet in. The benefits are that we can now meet throughout the week. This enables us to have a daytime location for a Bible College. The down side is that sometimes during Bible College the panel beating in the shop on the other side of the wall can be distracting!

**Donald Calls On Christ**

A young man named Donald was recently saved. He was raised in a Jehovah's Witness home. During a visit to his home I was able to teach him the truth about the Trinity and that Jesus is the creator God. A few weeks later in Church he called on Jesus to save him. He has been very faithful in church. God moved in his heart some weeks back and he asked to be trained to teach the Bible.

**Bible College Started**

When Donald asked to be trained, it was an answer to my prayer about when to begin a Bible College. We are in the process of partnering with a Salt Lake Baptist College (SLBC) in Salt Lake, UT. This will allow the students here to receive an official degree from a US based institution. After beginning another man in the Church, Mike, also enrolled. The following week I met with a Burundian that has been trained, but admits his training is very lacking. He said, "I need you to teach me about real spiritual life." This man's name is Blessing. I have known him for over 3 years. He desires to preach the Gospel, in addition he is very skilled in small business. He will be able to train the other Bible College students in small business so they can earn a living.

Mike recently told me, "Pastor, I need to forget about that land I bought way out of town. God wants me here in Lusaka. I need to learn this material so I can do the work of God." I was concerned about this land purchase as it would take Mike far out into the bush. He wanted to do this to try to start a farm. But God shut that door through a chief who stole Mike's money. While it so greatly bothered him when it happened God used it to change this man's heart. He now desires to serve God with the rest of his life.

**Joy Breaks Her Arm**

In a stressful time this December, Joy (our 6 year old) broke her arm. She broke it playing! She will be fine. The arm is healing, and the cast will come off next week. She had to be put under anaesthesia – which was a bit stressful. It is a totally different thing dealing with medical emergencies in the third world. We sent the X-Rays to a Dr. we know in the USA.

The cost ended up being about \$500 USD for everything. In addition we had about \$600 in repairs to the car this month. The suspension of our small used van is not stout enough for even the "city" roads here. We have had many problems with it due to extremely rough roads (worse than any gravel roads you could imagine). We are thankful that our December support was more than we expected, as individuals and churches gave extra. God knew the needs before we did.



*Cherri and Joy - Joy is just going into the "theater" or Operating Room for her broken arm. They had to put her under to set the bone.*