



Hello from windy, dusty Zambia. We are in the tail end of our cold season so days are warm and nights are still a bit chilly. Perfect! If only the dust stayed on the ground. Achoo!
Amy's trip to the U.S in the spring was very successful and has allowed us to make some great progress on construction projects all over the orphanage as well as getting ahead of our budget.



We plastered one wall and painted the entire exterior of the orphanage.



A shelf was constructed in the storage area and a volunteer got them organized.



Desperately needed medical equipment was obtained for the clinic—more on page 2.



Our new corridor floor, no more muddy spots during the rainy season!



Our last trampoline had rotted and we now have a new one with a safety net.

Volunteers this year!

We have been blessed to have five volunteers this year (and the year isn't even over!) who have made such a difference in all we've been able to do.

Tom and Cynthia, from Pearland, Texas brought a wealth of experience with them after having served on missions' teams in the past. Tom worked with our painters and cement workers to get so much done, which freed Tom up to supervise other projects. Cynthia, who is very talented at organizing, tackled our storage area getting it completely ship-shape.



We were also so happy to welcome two young ladies from Baytown, Texas. Summer (below) and Hannah (below right) came out to work with the kids—leading a daily preschool time with Bible stories and songs and also spending individual time with the older kids to teach them reading and math.



Debbie, from Pasadena, Texas, came over specifically to help in teaching and training the nannies. She days observing and learning about the culture and then did a fantastic job giving classes on how to play with children and why playtime is so important for child development.

She left more classes behind so that we can continue to teach and train the nannies and they will have the opportunity to earn a certificate at the end of this particular course.

Debbie also helped me to lead two very important health discussions with women from the community.



Summer will be coming back out for 9 months starting in September. This will be our first long-term volunteer and we're excited to have another pair of hands to ease the load.

Medical Equipment

God answered one of our big prayers this past month when a special donation came in specifically to be used for purchasing life-saving equipment for our clinic. In the past 3 years we have received 9 very ill babies who have then passed away—many of them from pneumonia. Thanks to this contribution we were able to buy a baby warmer, an oxygen concentrator, an infant scale, an operating light and 2 rocking cradles. We are also going to get a generator. Praise God!

We now have fifteen children living at Kazembe Orphanage. They range in age from 4 and a half to 6 months. They are all happy and healthy and doing really well. Even our one child with HIV has, since receiving medication, perked right up and is running and jumping along with everyone else.

They have all been enjoying having so many visitors come to see them. They get a ton of attention and playtime. School time is going well also as the kids learn the basics of ABCs, 123s and more! Aren't they adorable?



Raphael was one of the babies who was brought to us very ill last month. His mother had HIV and while he fought valiantly, he eventually succumbed to pneumonia. You can see how badly we needed a good light. Debbie had to use a flashlight to help look after his IV.



Elizabeth (Lizzie) is our youngest child at 6 months old. She is a quiet little girl but loves music. As soon as any music comes on she gets excited and turns all her attention in that direction.

Baby Peter (11 months) loves to poke at her and see what happens. Ha!

Lizzie has an umbilical hernia which will soon need medical attention. Please pray for us to have wisdom in finding the right doctor and timing for this operation.



Chola (5 years old), took a big trip with us two weeks ago when he accompanied us to Lusaka. He enjoyed many new experiences, including ice cream from a cone.

Chola needs to have surgery for a minor birth defect. He will need to be under general anesthesia for the operation. Please pray that the entire operation (which will take place on August 24) will go smoothly.

The whole surgery and two day stay at the hospital will only cost \$600. With traveling costs it comes to around \$1000. If you would like to help with this special need, please let us know. Thank you very much!

We are so grateful for all that the Lord has done and continues to do in making this orphanage, and mission station, possible. Tom's Bible classes with pastors and church leaders continues to go very well. They are so hungry to learn more and grow in God's Word.

Please pray for us as we press forward and meet every challenge that God puts before us. We feel blessed to have the opportunity to be His hands and feet to this part of the world.

Thank you for doing your part to make all of this possible!



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