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**Habari Za Octoba (News of October),**

We hope that this letter finds everyone doing well. We are enjoying being back in the states and getting to see our children and grandchildren; though we have not got to visit them as much as we would like so far. You will understand why as you read through our letter and hear what all we have been doing this first month home. As I said in last's month's letter, we arrived back in the states on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September. This year I believe that I had the least trouble adjusting to the time change than I have ever before. Generally it takes me about 2 weeks to get to where I sleep normal and feel completely normal. Maybe the Lord knew we had a lot to do when we arrived and helped us adjust to the time change. We have been busy this month. We came home with a lot of goals to accomplish and we knew that if we did not get right to work, we would not be able to accomplish them before we went back in January.

We left the mission this time with the day to day operations of the mission under the oversight of the Tanzanian supervisors that we have been training since 2007. With the modern technology that is available today, I am able to keep in contact with the workers there at the mission on a daily basis via email and cell phone communication. I visit with them almost daily and so far it seems that they are doing well. We are proud of the way that they have stepped up and taken their responsibilities very seriously.

At the hospital things seem to going pretty much as usual, with the patient count being about normal, if not a little above normal. Bernard Kulanga, the hospital administrator, has been very busy with changes that government keeps implementing. He has even set me documents that Randy and I have to sign to agree to the new policies so that we can keep receiving government assistance. He has to attend weeks of meetings in different places just to stay abreast of all of the new changes. So, do not think that bureaucracy only takes place in the USA. I have not received their evangelism report at this time, but I hope to have it in the next few days.

At the Bible schools, both of them are nearing the end of the 2010 teaching year, Both Chimala Bible College and Chimala School of Preaching will be having their graduations in the middle of November. Garry Hill and Howell Ferguson have both been busy teaching at the schools along with all of our regular Tanzanian teachers. We are graduating 6 men from Chimala Bible College and 4 men from Chimala School of Preaching. Howell's wife Mary has also been busy at the mission helping out in several ways. Mary has been teaching Bible knowledge classes at the Primary School to the younger grades and she also has been teaching classes at two of the local congregations on Sunday and Wednesday.

The Evangelism program is still having some good results with 10 new souls added to Christ during the month of October. We continue to be encouraged by the work of our graduates from the Bible Schools.

We had a guest named Rebecca Benson come and work at the mission during October. Rebecca is from Denver, Colorado and she has attended the Bear Valley Bible Institute. She had learned of Chimala through that school and is interested in coming and serving as a missionary. She also has training as a Nurse. So, her combination of training in medicine and evangelism makes her an excellent candidate to work at Chimala. She spent two weeks there and seems very interested in coming back next year to work full time at Chimala. We look forward to having her there.

Both the Primary school and Secondary school are nearing their end of their year. Erhard Msanda has done an excellent job this year getting Herring Christian Secondary School started. We are confident that our secondary school is going to be one of the best in Tanzania. I have talked to Charlene Franklin since we have been home and she is planning on returning for another trip to the mission at the end of January. The teachers are excited to know that she is coming back.

We did have a very sad event take place during October; Menard Swila, my interpreter and one of my best friends, lost his 11 month old daughter to malaria. We wished we could have been there and we hurt so bad knowing how much he and his wife were hurting. 2,000 babies a day die in Africa from malaria. When it comes so close to home, it makes you realize how big a problem this disease is. I have had malaria once and I know it is a bad illness, but for small children it can be deadly all too often. Please keep Menard's family in your prayers.

Cyndi and I have spent over half of our first month home on the road getting to visit several congregations and talking about what is going on at Chimala Mission. We took a 16 day trip where we visited 6 congregations and 1 Christian college. The trip was over 3,000 miles and took us from Texas, to Kansas, Arkansas, Illinois, and Wisconsin (those are the states that we spoke in). It was great to get to visit brothers and sisters in Christ everywhere we went. So many were so gracious, it was very encouraging for us.



Our plan for November is to stay closer to home and work on getting the container ready for shipping and doing many other things that need to be done for the work in Chimala. We are still available for presentations and sharing the news of what is being done at Chimala Mission. If you would like to have us visit you or your congregation, let us know and we will set a time.

In His Service,

Bill and Cyndi