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God' Solution to Save the World

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)

WANT TO SCHEDULE A CHIMALA MISSION PRESENTATION?

When I am not overseas or on the road, I schedule appointments for presentation reports to supporting churches or churches interested in learning more about the **Chimala Mission**.

If you would like a report, please contact me by email, phone or text!

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Finalizing Plans For Chimala

In a matter of days, we will be boarding our flight to move to Chimala, Tanzania. Six passengers, 12 pieces of luggage, 6 carry-ons, 6 backpacks, and 2 car seats will be flying nearly 20 hours as we travel initially from Nashville, TN to Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania. I have personally flown very similar flights as this, but this one will probably take the cake.

The first such flight was in 2000 when I was almost 9 years old, and mom and dad took us kids to live for three years in Arusha. Now 20 years later, I'm the one experiencing the weight of responsibility while at the same time, excitement. Yet, there are a lot of moving pieces that have to all work together to make something like this work; and in the end, all is up to God.

Even with such a large pursuit ahead of us, God and the Lord's church have been extremely good to us as we have been finalizing our plans. The majority of our support has been raised, tickets have been purchased, bags are being packed, and our "affairs are being put in order".

It has truly been a blessing to be able to travel and visit congregations locally and afar, something just a few months ago we did not think would be possible. We have met wonderful Christians all across the states that we now have a connection with many of them sharing their own

experiences, stories, and advice from their lives. We have been tremendously encouraged by the fact we have so many people in the Lord's church who are praying for us and supporting us.

Lord willing, our first report on the field will be next month. We are excited about sharing the upcoming adventure as we get moved in, settled, and started in the great work at Chimala. For those who might like to stay updated with our personal family's reports, please feel free to send me an email: nathan.kferguson@gmail.com.

Please continue to pray for our family's transition, health and safety during the upcoming weeks ahead.



The Gospel Continues to Win Hearts to Christ

We preach the gospel not because everyone wants to hear it, but because God places this charge upon us (2 Tim. 4:2-4; 1 Cor. 9:16). The world depends upon it if heaven is to be our home. We give God continuous praise that there are still hearts in this world that remain tender and receptive. That is one of the joys of preaching and working in Tanzania.

Below, our CSOP instructors are busy teaching and baptizing lost souls into Christ.

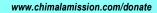




Are we in Africa yet?



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Value of the Farm Program to CSOP

Included in the 2-year program of the Chimala School of Preaching, the students also have the responsibility to tend and care for their own crop row. This has been incorporated into the 2-year CSOP curriculum. Here are some of the benefits of the program:

- Develops the spirit of teamwork
- Teaches the value of hard work
- Balances the sedentary nature of a classroom
- Educates students in improved ways of farming
- Ensures a better future for the graduates
- Helps provide food and finances for students while in school
- Creates a healthy feeling of accomplishment
- Strengthens the local churches with well-prepared preachers



The Missionary Heart

Care more than some think is wise

Risk more than some think is safe.

Dream more than some think is practical.

Expect more than some think is possible.

I was called not to comfort or success but to obedience.

There is no joy outside of knowing Jesus and serving him.

Karen Watson

GIFTS IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

IN MEMORY OF

Theo Aaron by Corine Aaron

Gene Adams by Phyllis Adams

Gene Alley
by Lisa Rae Caswell

Doris Burgess by Chal Burgess

Shirley Busch by Linda Mayberry

Georgia Campbell by Gene & Farissea Campbell (1)

Georgia Campbell by Gene & Farissea Campbell (2)

Ray Caswell by Lisa Rae Caswell

Sandra Chase by James French

Sandra Chase by Connie Jones

Andrew Connally
by Frances Denton

Andrew & Claudine Connally by Dale & Laura White

Mary Dennis by George & Dicie Wright

Mason P. Denton by Frances Denton James P. Doolittle
by Harold Reynolds

Billie Dunivan by Jenny Creager

Joann Gilsinger by William & Vickie Seniker

Bernice Hagan by William & Vickie Seniker

Vivian Platchy Hall by Frank & Ethel Platchy

Russell Hargrove by Fayrene Minton

Glenn H. Harris by Glenn & Sylvia Harris

Jerry Herring by Kelly & Tami Parker

Jerry Herring by Tim & Cindy Stene

Kenneth Johnson by Fayrene Minton

Leonard & Bernice Johnson by Terry Marilyn

Joseph Paul Lewis by Mary Lewis (1)

Joseph Paul Lewis by Mary Lewis (2)

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you
Philippians 1:3

Joseph Paul Lewis by Mary Lewis (3)

Joseph Paul Lewis by Mary Lewis (4)

Blanch Miles by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Robertson

Shirley Newton by Mary Tuck

Morris Paul by James French

Morris Paul by Connie Jones

Doug Reed by Judith Reed

Marie Sharp by Hal & Ellen Crass

Randy Sizemore by Blythe Graham

Gina Stikes by Joann Stikes

Pat Surles by Linda Nichols

Pryor & Gertrude Waid by David Waid

Ronnie Weatherford by James French

Ronnie Weatherford by Connie Jones

Lester Wright by Lester & Betty Wright



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(This form is provided for your convenience)

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	Bibles	
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	Hospital	
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	Missionary Support—Nathan Ferguson	
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Chimala Mission Thanks You

We are very grateful to all of you who read this newsletter, pray for the efforts of the Chimala Mission, and support this worthy cause for Christ. From all the Chimala Mission staff, please accept our deepest gratitude for keeping the fires burning in this incredible opportunity to serve God and the Tanzanians. You are an inspiration not only to the Chimala Mission itself, but also to the many surrounding congregations that benefit daily from the very presence of the mission. It's influence is known far and wide as a bastion for biblical soundness in Christ Jesus. Great effort is put forth that Chimala leans neither to the left nor to the right. Compassion is displayed daily in the talented hands of the Chimala Mission Hospital staff. Hundreds of children throughout the year are surrounded by a Christian environment and teachings of the first principles of the oracles of God.

Lord willing, the Ferguson families will be nearing the time to head to Tanzania by the time you read this newsletter. There have been a few obstacles trying to stand in the way; but we believe the Lord will find a way forward! God bless! Howell

