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CMH Needs Newer Surgical Tools

Following the construction of the new sterile surgical theater at the Chimala Mission Hospital, head doctor Tobias Mahenge states that there is a dire need for new surgical tools. Having a new operation theater is no better than the people and tools within. Dr. Mahenge tells about how his surgical scissors slip and come apart during operations because they are so worn-out. Nobody would want to be the patient lying under the knife when something like that happens. These items can be purchased in the States.

As the picture below shows, the new surgical theater appears to be fairly complete. However what cannot be seen is the lack of American 110v AC power outlets. Since much of the equipment at the hospital has been donated from the US, American power receptacles are also required. A few were salvaged from some of the houses, but we still

need to add 24 electrical outlets and rough-in boxes with covers.

I can buy and travel with many of the above items in my checked luggage if I can get funds before our next trip to Chimala this December. Please contact me for details if you can help with these needs.



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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Howell Ferguson Next Shipping Container

About every two years, the overseeing church of the Chimala Mission has customarily sent a 40-feet shipping container to the mission with equipment, needed supplies, and donated items for the hospital and schools. Unlike in years past, many of these items can now be found and purchased in Tanzania. The catch has been that much of the higher-tech equipment and electronics can cost as much as double—or in some cases, higher.

At the same time, it is getting increasingly difficult to acquire containers and drivers. You may have seen pictures of container ships anchored just outside busy seaports for weeks or more to finally be called and unloaded. Furthermore, shipping cost is skyrocketing. This brings into question the feasibility of shipping containers.

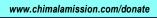
The bottom line is—it's somewhat of a toss-up: the excessive cost of buying equipment overseas versus the high cost of shipping a container. In my opinion—for now—I believe it is still worth sending containers. The reasoning is we are able to pack an enormous amount of goods in a single 40-feet container. And that doesn't count the personal items crafted by highly-talented hands by members of supporting churches who love everything about the Chimala Mission and Tanzanian people. It's very hard to put a price on people's loving works.

What I am asking now is for churches or individuals to please consider helping us finance the next container project. It generally costs around \$20,000 from the Montgomery, AL loading dock to unloading the container at the Chimala Mission. We would be deeply grateful if you can help!





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DISCOVER

Nathan Ferguson **Church At Njombe**



Nathan preaching with Remmy translating in a tiny church building at Njombe.

After visiting with many congregations in the month of August, we had one final location that we were unable to squeeze in that month, which was a new congregation in the Njombe region east of Chimala. One of our CSOP teachers, Remmy Mfaume has been instrumental in the planting and growth of the church there. We were invited to visit with them the first Sunday of August and drove nearly three hours to arrive there.

While the church is still very small, there are about 10 Christians there who are now meeting. In fact many of them are in current Bible studies with their family members. Remmy and others have been evangelizing in that area for some time as there are no other churches in the surrounding areas - very different from the culture here in Chimala.

We enjoyed a wonderful day of fellowship and met with many of the members in their homes. We also enjoyed a great meal with the local community and extended family members.

Brother Remmy has some big plans for the congregation: a new church building as well as some rooms for teaching evangelism to some of the men in the area. We ask for your prayers in this endeavor and that great success will be found in the Njombe region.

GIFTS IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

IN HONOR OF

Mary Ann Phillips by Sylvia Harris

IN MEMORY OF

Gene Adams (2) by Phyllis Adams

Barbara Connally
by Ken & Dorothy Jones

Barbara Connally by Kathy Stone

Mickie French
by Bobby & Frances Bobo

Mickie French
by Connie Jones

Mickie French
by Northside Church of Christ

Paul Lewis
by Mary Lewis

Jerry Herring by Carolyn Herring

Jerry Herring
by Timothy & Cynthia Stene

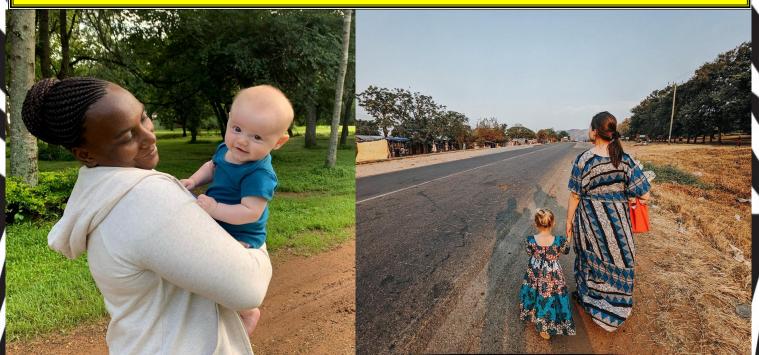
Jerry Miller (2)
by Carolyn Herring

Gina Poignard
by Jo Ann Stikes

Carol Rogers
by Nancy Downey

Patty L. Sturtevant by Thomas & Debra

"Of whom the world was not worthy..." Hebrews 11:38



Rowan feeling quite comfortable with Momma Betty. Africa has been the target of so many unfair and unfortunate misconceptions. Claudene Connally was right when she wrote, "Africa is a great place for children."

Just another walk along the "Great North Road" in front of the Chimala Mission. Walking is still the primary method of transportation in Tanzania. It's healthier and allows you to see so much more and to interact in ways otherwise impossible by driving.



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	Hospital	
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	Herring Christian Secondary School	
	Missionary Support—Howell Ferguson	
	Missionary Support—Nathan Ferguson	
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Ways Of Compassion

Losing a loved one is one of the most difficult trials a person can face. Fortunate people have many family members and friends present who can be a great source of comfort. Funeral homes and funeral service providers also help reduce the burden from an already heart-breaking situation.

These same sources of help is needed worldwide. In Tanzania, death is an especially painful part of life due to both physical and economic reasons. As an example, for most Tanzanians, a dearly departed loved one must be buried no more than one day after death as professional funeral services are very rare. Chimala Mission Hospital is working to lighten the burden by constructing a new mortuary building which will have a new 3-bay refrigerated morgue. While not a pleasant thought, it is a very useful and kind act of compassion. This will allow a few more days for family members to travel and give their loved one a dignified and final good-bye.

