

TRIBAL CHAPLAINCY

DECEMBER NEWS



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The month of December was an eventful one for our team! Part of our team is currently in the USA connecting with partners and churches while the rest of the team continues to work hard in Zambia! We spent the first half of December in Dallas and Fort Worth connecting with our support team and building new relationships. Then, it was back to Michigan to prepare for Austin's flight test- which he passed! Meanwhile, our team in Zambia continued to check in with chaplains and chiefs.

A FRUITFUL TRIP TO DALLAS

We had such a wonderful time connecting with many of you in Dallas and Fort Worth! We had the incredible opportunity to share at First Baptist Dallas about what the Lord is doing, meet with many of our team, and connect with people who are also interested in joining the mission field! It was a very fruitful trip, and we are excited to be heading back in the second half of January!



AUSTIN GOT HIS PILOT'S LICENSE!

After a cancellation in November and about 5 more in December due to Michigan weather, Austin was finally able to complete his flight test and passed! He now has his private license and will continue working towards his instrument rating and eventually his single-engine commercial, so he can fly missionaries and chiefs in Zambia. We are so excited and thankful for everyone who has helped make this happen - his examiner for being so flexible and willing to get him in along with everyone at Covenant Aero who made this journey possible, and so many more people!



NEW CHAPLAIN SUCCESS IN ZAMBIA

Our team in Zambia continued to work hard touching in with chaplains and chiefs to see how ministry is going. Bitton touched in with three of the chaplains who were just trained in October. All three have already held meetings for pastors from various churches in their area and had great success! One said he saw the pastors unified like never before. Our team also attended Chief Sekute's ceremony to show support for him. Bryan is also in the midst of developing his chicken farm, which he will be able to use to fund his ministry! He is following a strategy that has been developed by some of the missionaries in Overland have developed with the hope to also inspire and train the chaplains to do that same! He is making good progress and plans to have at least 600 chickens!



Bryan's field (left) and the beginnings of the chicken coops (right)

OUR TRAVELS THIS MONTH



NEXT MONTH

Next month, we will be traveling to Florida for Overland's annual conference along with some staff meetings and team bonding. Then, we head to another part of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Dallas to see our support team, and family, and continue fundraising. It will be an exciting month to see many of you!

TESTIMONIES FROM OUR ZAMBIA PROVINCIAL CHAPLAINS

SALVATIONS: 900

TESTIMONIES:

From Chaplain Luffeyo: "The chiefs of Lundazi are now seeing the importance of having a chaplain as their spiritual advice. They indicated that all palaces where there is a chaplain, there is a constant preaching of the Gospel."

From Chaplain Bernard: "The Chieftainess called a meeting for different church leaders in the chieftdom which was the first time ever. Many pastors from different denominations sought reconciliation with each other and are excited to keep gathering."



Bryan shared the Jesus Film on Christmas
as a reminder of the Gospel

PRAAYER/FINANCIAL REQUESTS

Prayer:

-Pray for Zambia as they are in the middle of their rainy season after a bad year of drought. Pray for good crop growth and a good harvest this year.

-We are currently waiting for approval of our registration in Zimbabwe from the High Court. Pray that we can get approved and continue training more chaplains there!

Financial Needs - We want to start sharing some ways you can get involved and help with specific needs in Africa as you feel lead. Reply to this email if you are interested!

-Our team member, Bryan, is currently needing \$400 a month to support his ministry. Please consider giving \$50 a month to help advance his ministry to the chaplains and chiefs of Zambia and Angola.

To Give: overlandmissions.com/donate

Memo line: 6008i



THANK YOU

Thank you so much for your support and prayers this year! We are so thankful and blessed to have you apart of what the Lord has done! In total, we had 26,481 recorded salvations this year as a result of the ministry of our team and chaplains! We praise the Lord and are thankful that you helped make that happen through your support and prayers! We hope you had a great year and look forward to seeing what the Lord does this next year!

God bless,

Austin and Tate Bonnema