

"ZAMBIA! THE REAL AFRICA"

THE CHILANDO FAMILY

Dear Prayer Partners,

We hope this letter finds you well and in the service of the Lord. We're very grateful for your Christmas gifts and love offerings to help with the medical expenses. You're a great encouragement to our family as we serve the Lord here in Zambia.

The year has been eventful already, with the rainy season leaving a destructive path. Zambia has not had such rains in about five years and this has led people to build homes in flood plains. So many cannot leave their houses unattended lest they come home to an indoor pool, literally. Some of these people are our church members.

Our family is doing better now after every one had some sort of stomach bug due to water contamination I believe. The heavy rains have contaminated the city water system.

Three weeks ago we had a torrential down pour that not only flooded our property but took down our security wall leaving us exposed. That means when we left for church the house was unsecured. However this is what the Lord meant, "... and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen". Well, it did feel like the end of the world when we watched 50 yards of wall fence come tumbling down in slow motion. Which led to a flash flood in our yard. Need I remind you, this is a land locked country not the Caribbean. I am very thankful that our house did not flood thanks to Lord allowing us to be home when it happened and the great architectural home engineering. We are currently in a wall re-building project so we can have our security back in place. We appreciate your prayers.

We would like to thank you for your prayers and monetary support during our children Christmas Bible Club. We planned for 50 children and the Lord brought in 50 children. We taught the gospel, they memorized verses and the Lord gave us a good time. What's wonderful is that our Children Bible Class has grown from 15 to 35. We also have seen 3 families join because of the Kids Club. Praise the Lord! So much has happened already it's hard to believe it's only February.

We're looking forward to what the Lord has in store for us this year. We're praying for more souls to be saved, for our people to grow in the knowledge of the word, for us to have a greater impact for the Lord in this nation and to see more supporting partners join us. By faith we can do it. Amen.

By God's Grace

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