

Every Orphan's Hope

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Sharing the love and hope of Jesus Christ with orphans in Zambia

A Summer to Remember

The highlight of the year for every child is summer. It's no different in Zambia.

Camp Hope

A heavenly slice of summer, Camp Hope brings together orphans from and around Chongwe Village for a full week of fun. Orphans meet and play with other orphans who have similar backgrounds and stories. They immerse themselves in Bible study, arts, crafts, games, and most importantly, they learn about the love and hope of Jesus Christ.



Four Biblical principles are introduced to the orphans: TRUTH, FAITH, HOPE and LOVE. These truths are made real to the children through the relationships they

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form; the meals they eat; and the T-shirts, bandanas and blankets they receive.

Gert Kollenhoven, Director of Mission Operations in Zambia, said, "To see the joy in their eyes and the smiles on their faces is priceless. When you know that often they do not have a meal every day and no blanket to sleep under at night, getting at least two meals per day and a blanket at the end of Camp Hope makes a child realize that there is hope and that Jesus cares."



Camp Hope is a life-changing experience for both the orphans and the missionaries involved. Our volunteers did a wonderful job leading the orphans in Bible study and prayer. Each volunteer contributed something unique and valuable to their small group—their own story and testimony of hope. Because of their hard work, diligence and outpouring of love, it was a summer to remember for every orphan and every volunteer.

Larry Wissell from Walworth, WI, describes his experience:

I wish I could have bottled up every experience and emotion from the trip to bring back to each of you... When I returned, I struggled to find the words to share. Then I realized that it was possible that, in my mind, I was complicating the message that I needed to share. I wanted to share the sights, the smells, the smiles of the children, and the deep felt emotion from all of this; but there is a much simpler way to share the message of this trip.

I am extremely blessed to have had the opportunity to go to Africa. While there, in the simplest but most incredible and impactful way, God showed me His love for me. He



fun·ny [fuhn-ee] adjective

1. providing fun; causing amusement or laughter; comical
2. Clement

Peter-Cheryl Greif: "That is such a true definition. Miss your humor, Clement!"

Eileen Edwards Elledge: "I LOVE you, Clement!"

Linda Menold: "Love the expression! Makes me smile!"

Terri Goodwin Poirer (to Denga, whose favorite food is pizza): "My favorite food is a grilled cheese sandwich but, I love pizza, too!"



Laura Chapman Coleman (to Samuel, above, with Kauya): "Hi, Samuel! We are one of your sponsors! How can we pray for you? By the way, we love the picture of

filled my heart and soul with incredible joy, peace, happiness, and fulfillment. He did this through the children I met, taught, and played with. He loved me through their smiles, laughter, games, hugs, and connections. Even watching their resiliency to overcome hardships and difficulties served as a lesson to me, filling me with peace and love. Christ showed me trust, friendship, and love through these orphaned children. They were the ones before me, but He was the one loving me....

One of the highlights of this trip was spending time with our sponsored children. I use the terms "our" and "children" because they truly are an extension of our family. We write to them. They write back. Our girls send them drawings, and we receive drawings in return. I was able to visit them, to hug them, to tell them that we love them. They showed me their rooms and their schoolwork. We played.



Larry Wissell with his two sponsored children Joseph and Mabel

Many of these kids need sponsors. The good news is that you don't have to travel to Africa to connect with them. For \$27/month, you can contribute to these orphans' livelihood. Food. Shelter. Clothing. Healthcare. Schooling. A Home in which they are THRIVING.

If you want to make a difference, if you want to invest your money in something that returns beyond what you can imagine, if you want to feel God's love in a new and deeply fulfilling way, if you truly want to change the world, please consider [sponsoring a child](#). You will get back more than you expect. Trust me. The \$27 is worth it. You have it; give it, and watch God fill your heart.

– Larry Wissell

Sponsor/Construction Mission Trip

A team of 14 missionaries representing Arkansas Colorado, Iowa and Texas embarked on a 10-day trip to Zambia this summer. The team packed in a lot of

your flag that you drew! It is hanging on our refrigerator, along with your smiling face!"

Cary Richmond: "Kathy and I are excited to announce that bowling is on its way to the kids! Two sets of bowling kits in fact, thanks to man named John Sommer in Rockford, III. He owns the company that manufactures these kits."



Rick Brewer: "Now THAT's a great gift!"

Joyce Hudson-Murphy: "Have fun bowling kids!"



Stacie Cerotsky (to Michael, above): "Sending big birthday wishes to our special friend, Michael today! We pray this year brings you much joy & love! We are praying for you!"

activities during their short stay. Eleven of those missionaries were sponsors and spent time getting to know their sponsored child. What a blessing for both the children and the sponsors!

Six volunteers formed a construction team and worked alongside our older boys on home maintenance and repairs. This was one of the main focuses of the trip, educating our boys and equipping them with tools to keep My Father's House Orphan Homes in good shape. Clad in tool belts, our boys stepped up and welcomed the opportunity to be mentored by educated, grown men. Naturally, father/son-like relationships were formed. The construction team repaired broken bunk beds, drawers, tables and chairs, clothes lines, as well as door knobs and locks.

Another main focus of the trip was educating our mamas on the sewing machines we recently purchased for them. Two of the women arrived with instruction manuals and sewing patterns to help our mamas learn how to sew. Helping our mamas grow in such a trade is an investment not only in their livelihood but in the well-being of our children.

A highlight of the Sponsor/Construction Mission Trip were two talent shows, one in Lusaka and one in Chongwe. Talents included plays, songs, and reciting memory verses. Our missionaries put on their own talent show (more like a comedy act) that kept the kids laughing all day. What fun!

Thank you to everyone who participated on our mission trips and to all of you who gave so generously to make this a summer to remember.

Bob and Anne Schlinkman: "Yes! Happy Birthday, Michael!"

Seth Borgstede: "Happy Birthday! I miss this hilarious kid so much!"



Pamela Brisco Talamantez Krenek (to Mabel, above): "Hi Mabel, JESUS loves you!"

Judy Recher: "Great smile. God bless."

Jessica Ehrenholz: "So beautiful! Love the color!"

Rebecca Smith Wissell: "What a beauty! A true Child of God! Praying for you, Mabel."

Joyce Hudson-Murphy: "Hi Mabel. Love this picture of you."

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