

Dear Brethren,

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I am deeply delighted to be able to share with you once again what the Lord is doing here in this great country of Zimbabwe. I mentioned in my last letter that there are many open doors for ministry and that one of them is the Prison Ministry. Pastor Victor Chambela visited 11 prisons and preached to 4,000 prisoners during September. I had the privilege to join him when we visited prison number 12 in the town of Mazoe. It was indeed a glorious opportunity to minister to 246 prisoners, and a large number of them received Jesus Christ. When I asked how many of them have Bibles, only three of them actually have Bibles, so there is a great need for Bibles in the prisons.

Pastor Victor and I, along with two young men from his church, made the long journey of 300 miles to the remote area of Kanyemba. The trip took us eight hours to get there and we are gratefully glad to God for His divine protection. We conducted an open air Gospel meeting where over 200 people attended and many of them came forward at the end of the message to receive the Lord. I preached a 5 point message: Life is short. Death is sure. Sin is the cause. Christ is the cure. Therefore, prepare to meet thy God. It was indeed a pleasant night and the moon light was breathtakingly beautiful and so awesome to behold!

I mentioned in a previous letter that wild animals usually roam the villages, especially during the nights, wild animals like elephants, buffaloes and lions. The same night of the Gospel meeting, I spoke with a young lady who told me that her father was savagely attacked and eaten by a lion earlier this year. She said that all that was left of her dear father was a piece of his head and his fingers. I was completely horrified by that shocking news. After thinking about that terrible tragedy, I really thought that I would have had nightmares about lions during the night. However I thank God for Jesus Christ, the conquering Lion of Judah, Who is able to protect us from our adversary, the devil, who goeth about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. We purchased maize seeds and gave them out to 25 farmers. We wanted to purchase some garden tools, but we had to use the remaining funds for fuel.

Pastor Victor and I are planning to visit seven more prisons during this month of October. We shall visit the city of Bindura which has three prisons. After that we shall move on to the towns of Karoi, Hurungwe and Kariba and finally the city of Kadoma. We plan to cover these places in seven days. The Gospel of grace is free but it certainly cost money to take it from place to place. It will cost money for transportation and accommodation. Therefore, we are kindly asking you to support this evangelistic prison crusade with your faithful prayers and your financial support. Pray that the Gospel of grace will take root and bear fruit in the hearts and lives of these prisoners. Pastor Victor is a passionate soul winner and a faithful servant of the Lord. If you are thinking about supporting a missionary, I highly recommend Pastor Victor Chembela for missionary support.

Concerning the construction of the Orphanage, we are presently putting on the roof, but we lack several sheets of asbestos. After the roof is completed, we need to plaster the outside walls and the floor and then the painting of the entire building, then the window panes for the window frames. Finally, we need to dig a well (borehole) which will cost **US\$3000.00**. So far **US\$24,019.00** has been spent on this project. We are counting on you to help us complete this building by standing behind us and supporting us.

If you plan to make a contribution, you can send it through: Western Union or Moneygram to: **ALLINSON DA COSTA, ZIMBABWE**. My telephone number is **011-263-774 953 478** and my email address is dacostamissionary@gmail.com. We look forward to hear from you soon.

Your Missionary Servant,

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