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Location: **Lusaka, ZAMBIA**

Mission: **Early childhood education**



'Ask the Lord for rain in the springtime; it is the Lord who sends the thunderstorms. He gives showers of rain to all people and plants of the field to everyone.' Zechariah 10:1

During November it has been extremely hot and then the clouds appeared and we have had some terrific thunderstorms! One of the thunderstorms was really fierce and did a lot of destruction to our premises. But we are so thankful for the rain as this means people can plant food for the next season. Already everything is looking lush and green again!

I visited Ndola to meet with two of our ministers on what we hope will be an early childhood development building project beginning in 2022. We discussed a lot of the logistics of what has to be done in Zambia before such a project can begin. The blessing is that we already have church land, so we just need to build a structure. As a Synod we need to visit the Ministry of Education in Lusaka to discuss with them the benefits of such a project, and to make sure we do everything in line with government requirements. For this we value your prayers as getting a meeting with the Ministry can be challenging.

December is a busy month every year and I will be conducting a strategic planning meeting with some of our heads of department. I am also meeting with the community schools coordinator to see how best we can work together in the early childhood development classes in the schools. I will be having a week of teacher training with teachers from Southern province, and just before Christmas a Board meeting. In January schools will open for a new year.

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Wishing you all a Christmas season full of joy, peace and love as we remember the birth of Jesus – and may your have a Happy New Year full of blessings from the Lord!

Thank you for your continued support. Keep updated with my life and work by checking my blog... www.dianecusick.blogspot.com



*Rev M Chilemobo, Rev S Kabaghe and Rev C Mwale
on the site of the proposed new building.*

Prayer points

- Give thanks for the rains and pray that good rainfall will continue for the next few months as people begin planting crops.
- Give thanks for the opportunity of working together with church and government in the building of an early childhood development centre and pray that all the logistics will fall into place.
- Pray for safe travel during the rainy season for Diane and her colleagues.