

## Diane Cusick

Location: **Lusaka, ZAMBIA**

Mission: **Early childhood education**



*'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' Exodus 33:14*

As I write today we have a new President in Zambia. Elections were held peacefully and the new President took office on Tuesday 24 August, 2021 after a colourful ceremony. This is an exciting and hopeful time for Zambia as we look forward to positive change.

Schools opened again at the end of August and so I have been able to do some planning and am beginning to travel again. We are coming into summer so hotter days are ahead which can also bring challenges with dust when travelling!

In August, I visited Lundazi in Eastern Zambia to meet with our Education Secretary on how we can work together to assist our Early Childhood classes in the CCAP primary schools. A further meeting has been organised with head teachers in October to sensitise them on how young children learn through play!

I plan to visit Southern region ECD centres in September and have another visit to Lundazi to visit some ECD classes. I will also meet with one of our ministers about re-opening one of the centres in Lusaka which closed down at the beginning of the year. It's a busy time ahead as the school term is not scheduled to end until mid-December!



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*Go Deep Go Wide*

**SEPTEMBER 2021**

I got my second Covid vaccine (although it's not recognised in the UK) and more vaccines have arrived in Zambia!

Thank you for your continued support. Keep updated with my life and work by checking my blog...[www.dianecusick.blogspot.com](http://www.dianecusick.blogspot.com)



The photo is (left to right) of the Education Secretary of CCAP Mr Collins Nyirenda, the General secretary Rev Sevatt Kabaghe and the ECD Coordinator (me)!!

### Prayer Points

- Give thanks for a peaceful election in Zambia. Pray for the new President Hakainde Hichilema as he begins this new office. Pray that he will rely on God for wisdom and guidance.
- Give thanks that schools have opened again as Covid-19 numbers have decreased. Pray for teachers and children and give them stamina for the long term ahead!
- Give thanks that more vaccines have arrived in Zambia – pray that they will be distributed well.
- Pray for CCAP Synod of Zambia as they begin to prepare for their bi-annual GAC (General Administrative Committee) meeting which has been re-scheduled to October due to Covid-19.
- Pray for Diane to keep healthy and safe during this time.