

Hardie - 1/10/2026

The journey began at 3:50 (Saturday) to Lusaka , spending time getting a few last supplies for Samuel's school, Pair of eye glasses, replacing Samuel's broken ones, may need to go to Chiropractor on Monday for Sarah her body is acting up a bit. We will Lord willing be with the Saints at Lusaka Gospel Hall, Sunday and Tuesday. So important to be with our brethren. Appreciate your prayers for both our spiritual and physical as we proceed. Heading for Kitwe , Thursday, Chartered Bus to Sakeji Friday. Saturday we leave Samuel once again.

The time with Samuel has been precious and treasured. We got involved in so many projects, yet, time went so quickly and that which was accomplished was seemingly minimal to what we projected. The nightly time with Samuel we are so thankful for. Pray for Samuel's paperwork, provision, and moving forward on Samuel's adoption, that the way would be made clear and the Lord's mind and will would be accomplished.

We stand amazed at how the Lord has been with us over the years. At times I pinch myself considering a number of years ago I would never of thought I would be a Missionary in Zambia. To also know the solemn responsibility of sharing the one true Gospel of Jesus Christ. Yet, many like King Agrippa almost persuaded refused life eternal with the Saviour Jesus Christ. As I advance in years the reality of death makes itself more and more known seeing loved ones, friends, and family pass. several of my same age peers dying, having strokes. Prayers if you have not accepted Christ as your Saviour that you would not delay. God's Word true from Genesis through Revelation. For without faith it is impossible to please him (God).

Hebrews 11:6

Last night I asked Samuel to share a portion of scripture, it was encouraging to hear his portion.

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds (Acts 26:24-29)."

The Lord Jesus Christ seeks to pull us out of the depths of our darkness and sin unto his glorious light and eternal life. As King Agrippa, many of us are versed and know we are in darkness, seeing that the hope of the true Gospel of Jesus Christ is before us. May we

not be almost persuaded, but, may we heed when we hear, putting on the Lord Jesus Christ to enjoy the joy of the Lord eternally.

A note of thankfulness for a man named Bob Battles, he was a neighbor of ours, through my growing up years. He was one always having a smile and help fast to his Saviour Jesus Christ. He passed away to be eternally with his Lord. Bob, invited and drove me to many meetings at Adelphi Baptist church where I surrendered my heart and life over a period of several years. Many vessels including Youth For Christ Camps, Circle C and L Bar C in my teen years enabled me through God's Holy Spirit to turn to a Saviour of Sinners. Pray for Sarah, Samuel, and I to not neglect such examples as Bob Battles pointing others to the blessed hope of Eternal Life.

