



SAM Ministries

Loving God and Loving people so they have a chance to Love God and Love people

Points of Interest

- *When the markets are down, we are reminded that eternal investments never fail!*
- *A generous donor has contributed for the construction of 3 orphan/widow homes!*
- *Global Care-a-thon has donated \$28,000 toward purchase of food for children, orphans and widows!*

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Perseverance releases Potential

Mozambique

What potential for God and for good lies wrapped up in the lives of 12 men (or women for that matter)?

After 15 years in Mozambique and about 8 years working on curriculum translation and training, we celebrated with the first 12 Graduates of Faith Bible Seminary in Mozambique.

It was an exciting time both for us and for these pastors/leaders who have been studying, in some cases for almost all



of the 8 years!

What is so awesome is that throughout their studies these men have been training others and leading their churches more effectively. In fact these first twelve have lead our extension schools, training more than 200 other pastors or local church leaders. So

the twelve have multiplied more than ten fold and only God knows how many lives are being impacted by the ten-fold that are also leading their churches and homes!

I am so glad God has persevered in my and my families life. And we are so grateful for each of you who have persevered with us through the ups and seemingly bottomless downs of our life and ministry here in Mozambique.

“Changing people always changes circumstances,” but changing people always takes time, patience and lots of God’s amazing grace.

Persevering for Property to help People

Brazil

The first court hearing concerning the loss of our buildings and property in 1999 is marked for Nov. 13th, 2008. It took fourteen (14) years and three trials to lose it, and it’s taken our lawyers almost that long to get a trial seeking justice on

our behalf. We have a legal right for reimbursement of our losses. We thank God for a team of lawyers that are working voluntarily on our behalf. Pray that God would give us favour and that justice will be done.



New Community Kitchen to provide opportunities

Brazil



We are in the process of setting up a community kitchen and making it available to the poor women in the community. The facilities will be open to women that make finger food to sell on the street, and supply the small pastry shops in town as well. They would also contribute to their children's education by making the daily lunches served at the mission.



Printing Press to Bless both the community and mission

The Parana state government in Brazil is taking initiatives in offering grants for non-profit organizations and individuals to encourage them to set up small business.

We are excited to report that Mount Horeb has applied and received such a grant. We are



building on to our present structure to house a print shop. It will be the only one in town. So besides offering a much needed service to the community, it will serve the mission needs as well AND it will generate income to assist with the ongoing operation of Mount Horeb.

Dental Laboratory becoming a reality

A number of years back, God orchestrated a wonderful combination of equipment and people to enable us to launch a dentist clinic at Mount Horeb. Since then the clinic has served literally thousands of people, rich and poor alike and alleviated much suffering. During this time our prosthesis work has had to be sent to labs in the capital city. This adds extra cost for the patients. We were re-

cently given a fully equipped lab and are in the process of setting it up. Besides our own work, we will also be able to provide a service to other dentists in the region. Our desire has always been to assist Mount Horeb to source funding from within Brazil rather than to rely solely on funds from outside the country. Our mission staff at Mount Horeb are all Brazilian and it is wonderful to see how God is

enabling them to earn a significant part of our budget locally.



“To look after orphans and widows in their distress” Mozambique



Our ministry to orphan children, widows and disabled people has arisen out of the desperate needs we have encountered and the opportunity to make a difference in these lives. We have constantly been confronted with how dear these “insignificant” in society are to their Heavenly Father!

As we reviewed some of the more desperate cases as a mission team, we decided to focus our efforts on

trying to find the resource to build homes for at least three of these. Marosa, a disabled widow and the 3 orphan children she cares for, presently live in a stick 2x2 meter (+/- 6x6 ft) shack with mud filling some of the cracks and a poor grass roof that results in them getting very wet when it rains. She was top of the list.

An amazing thing happened as Lynn blogged about the need. One of our friends and sponsors immediately contacted us and donated one house. Within a day or two he notified us that he and his wife wanted to give for the second house. To our amazement and gratitude, by the end of the week-end he had sent in a cheque for the third house to be built!

Jim emailed us and shared, “One of the greatest joys Jeanne and I have is the opportunities God gives us to give. Almost nothing gives me more joy than to be able to partner with friends like you in your ministry. And by partnering to meet needs it makes me so thankful everyday for all that I have. My struggle is not how much to give **but how much I keep.**” (Jim’s comments shared with his permission)



A Bible School like this!

By Rick & Heather Neufeld

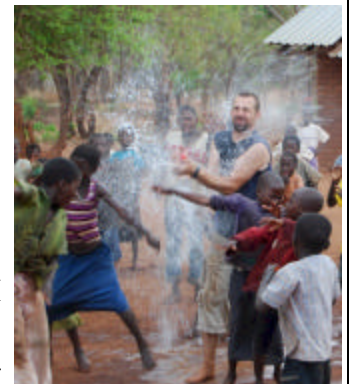


Little David striking down Goliath

Our first opportunity to get real hands-on work done with kids started in the beginning of November; two weeks of Vacation Bible School! It has been an incredibly exhausting, yet wonderful time! For some reason children have an unlimited supply of energy! We are focusing on being examples to those around us, and our theme verse has

been 1 Timothy 4:12. The children are having a great time and are really enjoying the water games we are playing. Several days we have played games involving juice and cookies, which is a real treat for these kids! It really is a blessing to our hearts to see the smiles on the kid’s faces and their eyes light up when they are enjoying a game, or participating in a singing competition. Of course, the biggest smiles are reserved for when we bring out the giant water balloon slingshot. This is by far the runaway hit of VBS this year! It has been so good to be able to jump into children’s ministry here in Mozambique. We have been impressed by the

teacher’s willingness to participate in every game and every activity—some days I think they end up wetter than the kids! Please continue to pray for our school, the teachers, and the children in the school sponsorship program. For many of these children, the food they receive at the school is the only decent meal they get! Also, your prayers for us are appreciated as we begin to work with local pastors and church leaders to create outreach programs for children.



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Aircraft Annual at Mercy Air



Mercy Air has blessed us again by helping us to get the annual inspection done on the mission aircraft.

Gary Hillman, our faithful Canadian AME, could not come out this year but as always has helped to coordinate another qualified Canadian to do the job.

Dan Thomas who came from Prairie Aviation last year also could not come due to a very busy schedule,

but between him and Gary, they organized Tim Heubner of MAF Canada in Angola to stop by on his return to Canada. Tim will be here with his wife Barb in the next few days. What a blessing as the body of Christ serves together and meets needs!



Two Months down!

Rick & Heather Neufeld

Wow! We can hardly believe it has been over two months since we arrived here in Mozambique. Our first two months have been full of adjustments- to a new climate, a new home, new schedules and the list goes on and on! We also had a major health scare with my mom, and it was definitely hard to be so far away from home. Praise the Lord, she is doing much better. Aside from that however, our transition has been good and we are so excited to finally be getting involved in



the many different programs around the mission. I (Heather) have been organising the Amigo Orphan

Sponsorship program, with Lynn's help, and have been trying to learn the ropes of the finances here. Rick has been a big help in getting Dwight and Lynn's roof on the new house, and has also been busy constructing trusses for the preschool building, as well as numerous other projects.

One highlight of these months has been realizing that God has brought us here for a specific purpose. Each missionary at this base has unique gifting that enable us all to contribute without having any one person feel as though they are not needed. It has been a blessing to see how we have been called to work with a team of incredibly talented and passionate people, and to see where we fit into the team.

This last month seems to have



flown by, as we have been running back and forth from Chimoio applying for our residence permits (DIRE's) and trying to plan two weeks of VBS for the school as well. We will soon be making a trip down to South Africa to get repairs done on our vehicle, which is a prayer request in its own category! Our hope is to be able to get this one repaired enough to last until funds can be raised for a new one. We want to say thank you to all those who have been praying for us. Please continue to pray! We know that those prayers have made our first few months here much easier.