

BACK TO AFRICA

MISSION TO ZIMBABWE

12th – 24th SEPTEMBER 2011



Food Aid to be purchased again



Pastor Joshua and Chido, Epworth
(picture taken in Harare Church)



Jabulani Children's Home



Some of the people who live in Bambadzi

Another trip to Zimbabwe!

It was not something that I had planned for this year but, because of the delays we have been experiencing with the Bambadzi Water Project, I am going back to Zimbabwe to try and move things ahead. In this last year God has provided the necessary funds for the initial stages of the project. We are now looking for some people with the necessary skills to partner with in Zimbabwe. Thank you to those individuals and church groups that have given money to this project.

Pat will not be coming on this trip but a neighbour of ours called Kenny is coming. Kenny is an electrician and will be doing some electrical work at the Siphezini church. Kenny is financing the trip himself. The first time I went to this church I preached with a candle. Last year the church had a single light bulb. By the time Kenny finishes we are hoping that the church will have a lighting system.

Just an aside - all the tools Kenny will need for this work have been kindly donated by Northern Ireland Electricity.

Kenny will also be doing work at the Jabulani Children's home. This home is run by Alan and Dorothy Graham of Child Evangelism Fellowship. Last year we were able to give this home a private donation toward the cost of a climbing frame.

While in Zimbabwe, Kenny will also be helping with another project. The church in Epworth meets under plastic sheeting. Pastor Joshua leads the church and we would like to help him to build a church. The plans were discussed last year and various ideas were spoken about. We will be looking at the final drawings and then take the next step in seeking planning permission.

As well as these practical projects, we will again be buying food for our people. Since the last visit, two of our contacts in Zimbabwe have died. Mrs Wallace, the widow of Pastor Wallace died earlier this year. Also, Major Howard, our link with the Salvation Army Nursing/Home, where Mrs Wallace lived and where we had sent medical supplies, has also died,

Thank you again to the many individuals, the Bridge Community Church, Portadown Apostolic Church and ActionOverseas for making these trips possible. This will be my fifth trip to Zimbabwe and the full details of the trip can be found on our website - www.thebridgecommunitychurch.org.uk

Please pray for us.
Pastor Marcus Thomas and Kenny Thompson