



Hope Builders Ministries

Rapidly Winning Communities for Christ through Indigenous Disciple Makers

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With this year drawing to a close, Thank you to all our FAITHFUL PARTNERS, Glory to God! Intercessors, Donors, Staff, Disciple-Makers and Students.

So much has happened this year that we want to share with you:

- ♦ Very fruitful Conferences for the top leaders were presented
- ♦ Trainers from the US and South Africa developed local leaders
- ♦ New Believers and Re-commitments to Christ abound
- ♦ Thousands of Bibles (including electronic versions) distributed
- ♦ More than 30 thousand Training Manuals were distributed
- ♦ Bicycles and Motorcycles placed strategically

Students testify to the great benefits they get from their partnership with HBM.

God is giving the GROWTH, we need the SEEDS to plant.

Distribution of Bibles is still bearing much GOOD fruit. NOW, many "bush" students need the Bible in their own tribal languages. To buy and deliver indigenous language Bibles costs \$12 each. The need for Training Manuals has grown—an order to print modules will be placed in December for distribution in February 2024. A \$250 Buffalo (heavy duty) bicycle expands the capacity of an Associate to serve deep rural communities by 12 to 20 times.

Here's how you can participate in this Year-End drive for support:



\$2,500 provides an off-road motorcycle for District and Regional Leaders. They are the backbone of HBM's oversight & accountability structure.

We currently have a shortfall of 8 motorcycles.

By giving to the **"Where Most Needed"** category you allow Hope Builders to apply your donation to areas where shortfalls occur, such as medical emergencies, disaster relief, orphan and widow crises and special projects where Ministry opportunities are enhanced (new areas opened) by Christian compassionate outreaches. Also unexpected breakdowns and repairs to field vehicles, etc can be done to avert lengthy "out of service" delays.

Hope Builders urgently needs your help in serving the most rural believers.

Please participate in doing so by filling out your response over the page.

Johan's invitation to Zambia in early 2023 was exactly the kind of opportunity I had hoped for. It provided a unique opportunity to spend time on the mission field with my adult son, and I was excited about the four-man team Br Johan put together. Arriving in Lusaka, following a very long day of air travel, we were greeted by Br Matthew, a wonderful servant-hearted brother that made us feel welcome from the first "Hello." We quickly realized why Br Johan has placed so much faith in this man of God. He epitomizes humility and leadership. He would become not only our host, but our driver, our translator and our "fifth man." The evening spent with Br Matthew's family was a wonderful respite and we slept well in their beautiful home. Good thing, as the next day would present us with many rough hours and miles driving across Zambia's beautiful landscape. The drive included a stretch through the renowned Kafue National Park. We were blessed to see buffalo, boar, gazelle and even a few young bull elephants on our way to Mongu, our destination for a week of ministry.

Mongu is a wonderful community in Zambia's Western Province and at the heart of the Lozi people. We felt welcomed the moment we arrived. Plans included two days of pastoral/ leadership training, but those plans would quickly change. Our first day among the pastors & leaders was profound, as our Brother Jay shared his teaching on "suffering well." Engagement in the group was more than we expected, as the questions and discussion seemed inexhaustible.

Our plans for a second day of ministry to church leaders was quickly modified, as we arrived at the newly constructed Mongu conference center and discovered a massive gathering of youth. The team Br Johan had prepared was ready to pivot and we divided the group by age. The day proved to be another wonderful time of question/answer and discussion, as well as gospel outreach into the community with the young people. The following day (Sunday) was spent worshipping with the community and those gathered for the conference. We were treated to local music and dance as Br Jay delivered the message.

As I reflect on time spent with the Mongu community of believers, as well as Br Johan's wonderful ministry team, my biggest takeaways are: 1) The work there is having a generational impact, as people deploy the "disciples making disciples who make disciples" doctrine. 2) The leadership is both competent and ambitious for the work of the Lord. 3) The hospitality shown by the body of Christ was sincere and humbling. 4) There is much to be done among a hungry people group...they desire as much engagement as we could offer, and more. 5) God is moving upon the youth of Zambia to change their generation I was blessed to be a part of such an impactful trip. I hope to return someday very soon. Tobey Bouch

Please pray with Tobey and Brandy warmly welcoming them into the HBM's team.

This is an URGENT appeal: (INFLATIONARY pressures and student number GROWTH impact HBM hugely)

1. Bibles and Training Manuals need to be ordered soon for them to be available for delivery directly after the rainy season.

2. Transport: Bicycles and motorcycles for the overseers who travel to ensure that the work is being done effectively is the backbone of ACCOUNTABILITY structure in rural Africa where no public transport exists.

3. Where most needed: In addition to our "normal" Emergency Fund needs, HBM is making a Special Appeal for people who want to help a group of **African Missionaries connected to HBM, to volunteer in ISRAEL** to harvest fruit and vegetables and evangelize on farms where the workers have been called up.



I prefer my gift to Hope Builders Ministries to be used as follows:

\$ _____ Where most needed \$ _____ Transport \$ _____ Bibles/Manuals \$ _____ Israel volunteers

Name: _____ Address: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

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