



ZAMBIAN CHILDREN'S FUND CHISHAWASHA NEWSLETTER



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Your Turn to Help

May 7th is World AIDS Orphans Day.

Once again we are urging ALL our supporters around the U.S. and Canada to help us in a major fundraising effort for the month of May. To commemorate World AIDS Orphans Day, we are asking everyone to be creative and hold a fundraiser any time in May to benefit the Zambian Children's Fund. The opportunities are endless; have a dinner party, cocktail gathering, tea, children's or family party; maybe a cookout, a hike, a

barbecue or neighborhood block party. Get your school, Church, Temple, Rotary or just a group of friends to have a special program or event. Maybe you are a musi-

cian or artist and could have a house concert or art show. Use your imagination and have fun! We can help you succeed by giving you organizing advice (if needed), sending you brochures, photos and information to hand out, or even a DVD about the orphanage and school. You can help by talking about the program, collecting money or children's clothes or needed supplies, raising awareness and getting new people and families involved. You might want to form a group and take on

When Megan was a junior in high school, she held a clothing drive at the local elementary school. Then she, her family and friends packed over 40 boxes of clothing to be shipped to Tucson. She got a local company, the Vail Corp, to pay the shipping costs to Tucson. Now, her younger brother, Justin, is working to get his soccer team to raise money.

What can you do? Set a date and think of the event you want to create! Then call the office at 520-323-2504 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday (Arizona Time), or email us at:

volunteer.zcf@gmail.com and we will send you support materials. All donations (financial or material) collected should be sent to:

**P. O. Box 42996
Tucson, AZ 85733**

Please let us know what you did and send or e-mail photos of your event and we will try to print some of the best ideas in a future newsletter.

**HELP US MAKE THIS THE BEST
FUNDRAISER EVER!**



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sponsorship of one or more of the children for \$25 a month.

The young people in the Hollenbeck family of Breckenridge, CO have been an example to us all.

Beads & Seeds

Back in 2007, Mary Hotvedt taught many of our girls the basics of beading. They all had a great time creating bracelets with the



Ladstone and Force in the banana orchard.

beads Mary brought from the U.S.

This last year, I met a Tucson woman who is supporting a small home for orphaned children in Ghana by selling hand-made glass beads which she imports to Tucson. Knowing we had a group of girls in Zambia who already enjoyed beading, I couldn't resist the opportunity to purchase her beautiful hand-painted beads to take to Zambia.

In February, I chose a group of six girls between the ages of twelve and fifteen and started coaching them in making jewelry. We worked together two afternoons a week after school for an hour or two. While there, I was also able to purchase seeds of different sizes and shapes, so the girls had a great time putting together different combinations of Ghanaian glass beads and Zambian seeds. They made wonderful

necklaces, bracelets and glasses holders.

Over the years, people have always asked for items made by the children. Our first project was sewing grocery bags from traditional cotton Chitenga fabric, which I bring back with me every year from Zambia. This year, I was able to bring both bags and jewelry made by our talented children. Whenever I speak, I always have a table of Zambian art and crafts for sale, and now some of those items were created by our own children!



Zambian Cafe

Come share a meal and help raise funds for ZCF. As part of ZCF's World AIDS orphan commemoration, Rincon Congregational Church is providing an authentic Zambian meal to raise funds for ZCF on Sunday, April 26th at 5:30 p.m. at 122 North Craycroft in Tucson. The meal will include traditional n'shima (corn meal dumplings) with chicken curry, greens with ground nuts, and a dessert. There will be no charge for the meal, but a donation is requested. After dinner, Kathe will share her latest photos of Chishawasha and the children and talk about her recent trip. There will be a raffle and Zambian art and crafts for sale (see Beads & Seeds article above).

If you plan to join us, please call the office (520-323-2504) and let us know how many people will attend so we have some idea how many meals to cook.

However, if Sunday afternoon you find yourself with nothing to do, please join us, even if you have not made a reservation. Here is the information again:

April 26, 2009

5:30 p.m.

**Rincon Congregational UCC
122 North Craycroft
Tucson, AZ
(just north of Broadway)**



George hard at work in his new classroom.

We are packing for the 2010 container and we still need clothing (toddler to small adult sizes), linens and household items, children's reading books (no Disney) and textbooks, school supplies, medical & grooming supplies (bandaids, Neosporin, Tylenol, Motrin, Benedryl, toothbrushes), newer computers, monitors, keyboards, mice and printers, musical instruments, and building supplies.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELP ZCF

We are so grateful to the people who give so much of themselves and their time to help ZCF and the wonderful children we serve. We would especially like to thank the following people who served on our Board of Directors until December, 2008:

Joan Kaye Cauthorne, who visited Chishawasha and followed up with a very successful fundraising letter.

Ted Disante, served as Treasurer and donated software and training to help up keep our books in order.

Joel Keller, served as Vice President and Secretary, helped with fundraising and worked countless hours over the years, collecting and packing books to be shipped.

Dr. Mary Hotvedt, who, with her husband **Dr. Bob Garrett**, spent months in Zambia seeing to the emotional needs of the children and

providing basic health care.

Rev. Jim Strader, who left to take a new position at St. George's by the River Episcopal Church in Rumson, New Jersey.

We want to thank **Gladys Collins**, who continues on our Board. Gladys is the volunteer who sends those wonderful, hand-written thank you notes that so many of you have received.

We also want to thank all the volunteers who are here every month to pack and sort clothing and help in the office.

Thank you all!



Children enjoying the new classrooms.

2008 Income & Expense Report

Income:

ZCF U.S. Donations:	\$ 147,346
ZCF Canada Donations	6,000
Glassco Foundation:	460,000
CCHZ Donations:	13,458
CCHZ Sales:	6,680
(books, eggs, garden produce)	

Total Income \$ 633,484

Expenses:

ZCF Tucson

Admin/Fundraising:	\$ 20,098
Container:	14,732
Salaries/Benefits:	51,255
(Director, Admin)	
Travel:	9,921

CCHZ Housing/Living

Food:	50,167
Medical:	4,064
Salaries:	34,649
(Mothers, Guards, Gardener)	
Shelter:	17,383

CCHZ School

Food:	14,116
Operations/Supplies:	9,348
Salaries:	43,071
(Teachers, Cooks, Janitor)	

CCHZ Administration

Equipment/Supplies:	11,859
Salaries/Benefits:	14,907
(Manager, Bookkeepers)	

Home-Based Support: 2,176

Secondary School: 8,829

Skills Center: 12,854

Transportation

Driver:	2,783
Fuel:	22,405
Maintenance:	10,584

Building Costs

Houses 3,4,5 & 6:	29,855
New Generator:	9,162
New Well:	30,500
School-2nd Block:	177,146

Total Expenses \$ 601,864

Office Space Needed

We may be losing our donated office space this summer. If you have (or know of) a space which could be donated, please let us know. We need only enough space for two desks, file cabinets & work space, so we could easily fit into a room in an office, or classroom or even a small house would be perfect. If you can help, please e-mail us at:

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or call 520-323-2504.

ZCF Calendar

- April 26: 5:30, Zambian Café
Rincon Congregational
UCC Church
(see article)
- April 28: Kathe returns to
Zambia
- May 15: Opening Ceremony,
Chishawasha Primary
School & Learning Ctr
Minestone Road,
Off Great North Road
Lusaka, Zambia
(see next newsletter)

Classified Ad

For Sale: 1997 Honda Civic with only 76,000 Miles, in good condition. Air Conditioning unit not working. \$5000 or best offer.



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*“Unless someone like you
cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better,
it’s not.”* THE LORAX, BY DR.SUESS

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