

Zambia Trip July 2024

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This trip had several highlights. Since I had been to Zambia a couple of times, I was looking forward to seeing what God was doing among the believers there. One highlight was being able to accompany five young men from 3DTC,

Texas. These guys were eager to teach Romans 1-8 and did a

good job. Another highlight was the people who came to take the course. The church was packed, and the teaching was enthusiastically received. Lastly, it was a great blessing for me to hear many of the Zambian attendees express a desire to teach the book of Romans to others. This is one of the great strengths of the DM2 approach. The material taught is left with the attendees so they can reproduce it and teach it to others. Please continue to pray for the multiplied fruit of this trip to Zambia.



On behalf of my fellow participants, I render this vote of thanks to the Disciple Makers Multiplied group for the teaching and for giving us knowledge from the book of Romans chapters 1-8. Among us were 30 denominations. These teachings have equipped us and will be used in our day to day lives. They have helped us know the truth and come out of the heresy we were hearing in the land of Kasama. Our prayers are that your team continues this teaching and helps others to know more. -

Christopher Silwamba, workshop attendee

God greatly used the Zambia trip to open my eyes. I was not sure what to expect, but when we got there, I was greatly encouraged by the conference attendees, and I gained an understanding of how we often take God's word for granted. While we have so many places to go to read and listen to Scripture, the Zambian people do not have that luxury. Because of the lack of Bibles and rampant false gospels, they hunger for what the Bible has to say. It was evident the spiritual truths in the book of Romans fed them spiritually. This trip inspired me to take advantage of the opportunities God has given me to study His word. -***Javier, 3DTC graduate***

My experience as a missionary to Zambia, Africa was profound and enriching. It was both eye-opening and humbling to witness the people's hunger for the word of God. Several attendees walked for miles to come sit through eight-hour days of teaching. Although they are used to hard manual labor to put food on the table for their families, they were willing to set that aside for the sake of the gospel and the truth of God's word. Their testimonies after the conference were encouraging. They were grateful to have understood a clear gospel presentation and to receive answers to some lingering questions. One of the attendees said, "Hearing the teaching of a clear gospel message was very freeing!" The eagerness this community had for hearing and studying the word of God truly put things into perspective. The power of God's word is life-changing, and this trip was evidence of how important sharing the gospel is. - ***Robert, 3DTC graduate***



This was my first time outside the continent of North America, so I was a little nervous, but primarily excited. From start to finish the entire trip was a life experience I'll never forget. Once we began teaching, it was easy to see many of the people's yearning for the untainted word of God. One thing that particularly stood out to me was that despite a completely different country, a completely different culture, and a completely different language, there was a strong bond of Christian unity even though I had never met any of them previously. Overall, it was a great encouragement for me to have been able to teach in Zambia along with all the other guys. - **Quinten, 3DTC student**

Our trip to Zambia was an amazing experience. Seeing the power of God's word on display was a huge encouragement. Numerous people said things like, "This is really beneficial to my Christian life and completely changes how I view the Bible."

One thing that was perspective-changing for me was how the people live. Zambia is a developing country. According to our guide, Humphrey, the average monthly wage for a general worker in that part of the country is 1,1000 Kwacha, which equals about \$45. The unemployment rate is high. Those who don't have conventional jobs have to make a living growing crops, fishing, raising animals, or working in the fields. Additionally, owning a car is a rare privilege. Most people get around by walking or cycling. The thing that was quite convicting to me was their attitude toward life. Despite having a fraction of what the average American has, they were joyful and kind.

Because of their lack of material things, they are receptive to the gospel and God's word. Humphrey explained it this way: "Here in Zambia most of us wake up in the morning not knowing if we're going to have a job or even a meal today. But that just causes us to trust the Lord. We pray and He always provides. When you stop focusing on material things, you begin to see the depths of God's grace."

I went on this trip to teach, and I ended up learning a valuable lesson. Going to Zambia changed my perspective. God used this trip to teach me to be more content and grateful. - **Zephyr, 3DTC student**

This trip had its share of hardships, but all were worth it for the priceless opportunity of seeing lives changed. Teaching God's word to Zambians opened my eyes. In America, I might talk to my friends about high-speed Wi-Fi, the newest video games, or the most recent blockbuster. But in Zambia, none of these issues were relevant. Currently, Zambians are experiencing a drought, which forces them to enact rolling blackouts because most of their electricity comes from hydroelectric power. Though I could not talk about the things I am so privileged to have, I could talk about the gospel. God's truth reaches across cultural barriers and unites the church, allowing us to have fellowship with believers everywhere. Seeing even church leaders learn from the truth I got to teach was a truly humbling experience. - **Jayme, 3DTC graduate**



Prayer and Praise:

- Praise for successful workshops in Zambia and Cameroon.
- Pray concerning a Macedonian-like call to an undisclosed Asian country.
- Praise the Lord for the good start of 3DTC in Texas.
- Pray for CC3D to finish their year well in Bolivia in October.
- Praise for the plans to start two new schools in Bolivia.



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