

## The Kumalo 4!



## Hello from Zambia!!!

It has been a long time since I've written an update and what's happening in our world so here it goes.....

Backing up to 2021...

The four of us decided to take an extended furlough to LA back in February. We stayed with a good friend, homeschooled the girls and J took a job on a movie called Cheaper by the Dozen (which was just released on Disney +). At that point we had been here on the mission field for 8 years with out a long enough break to get rest, regroup and recharge. We where able to spend time with my family for 7-8 weeks which was a huge blessing and energy in for all of us.

We came back to Zambia in December feeling ready to get back to our kids and our work here at The Haven. We left Eric's House in good hands and came home to a warm welcome back!!!

We are settling into our normal routines now. From the daily runnings of The Haven homes, our home, to our projects that include the garden, the pigs, goats, and poultry. Jason's brother Andrew and his 5 kids have moved here in January, so Jason's mom Kathi and I are homeschooling his three younger kids as well as our two Marisa and Arya. We have our hands full.

Two years ago Jason and I started building this classroom for homeschooling our girls in. It is outside in our back yard for fewer distractions (picture below). We still have not

been able to finish it. Now that Kathi and I are teaching 5 kids we are really needing to finish this classroom in our back yard. We are still needing roughly \$2,800 to completely finish construction. This includes building materials, labour costs for the builder, electrician, plumber, and the painter. Any help at all towards this project would be greatly appreciated. I'll put a link below on different ways that you can send a gift for our classroom.



Classroom in progress

### **Our boys at Eric's house:**

We are down in numbers now due to them growing up, getting jobs, and getting married. We have George, Luke, Anton, Brian, Wezi, and Chicheba currently at the house, at boarding school, or transitioning into independent living. There is Musa and Mapenzi that are currently at driving school to learn how to drive big louries. We have Choolwe, Maliye, Abitor, and Jasper in university all which are in the medical field, 3 studying to be doctors and surgeons and one as an RN.



### **Older girls:**

We have the twins Peddy and Charity studying Pharmacy in India. They are on partial scholarships and are in their third year. They are doing an amazing job with amazing results. We have Miriam that just finished some courses towards becoming cabin crew staff. We are looking into further education for her in this field. Last but not least there is Carol in her last month of a two-year secretarial course.



These are just some of our kids due to them being away at boarding school and universities.

**School Sponsorship:**

We also still sponsor some of our kids that have gone to live with their families but have no means to send them to school. We help them out with school fees, uniforms, and school supplies. There are currently 3 in high school under our care.

**Prayer request and praises:**

We are so thankful for each and everyone of you that stay in touch with us, pray for us and the work here at the Haven, and for your your thoughts and encouragement. We are so blessed to be here in Zambia where it is peaceful and safe. Thankful that we are but a small part of all our our kids lives and that we get to be their 'parents'.

Please continue to pray with us for strength, humility, patience and wisdom as we serve the people of Zambia and our God.

Blessings,

Jason, Cintia, Marisa and Arya

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If you would like to give to the Haven / Eric's House and the classroom project, please follow the link below. Make sure you add a note to where your gift is going in the "SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS" section of the 'donation to orphan care' page.

<https://zambiamissionform.wufoo.com/forms/meis1rd0rbjl6y/>

Follow the link if you would like to send a gift or support Jason and I as we work here at the Haven - Eric's House.

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