



Mike & Lattisha DOBBINS



Missionaries to ZAMBIA

May 2026

We celebrated the 26th Anniversary of the Chiwempala (Bible Believers' Baptist) church plant at the end of April. It was a great day with my good friend, Jonathan Towse, preaching. He was born to Plymouth Brethren missionaries just a few years after Zambia got its Independence in 1964. He currently preaches each Sunday in a village church that his father was preaching in before he died. Jonathan is a fiery, zealous preacher and he preached a great message at the anniversary about staying faithful to the Bible. The people came out in large numbers and responded well. The Zambian church gave 2000 kwacha (more than \$100 in USD) to feed all of us a nice meal. It is so good to see a self-supporting church with Pastor Offie Phiri at the helm.

We Have Trained a Preacher

We spent the first couple of weeks in May in South Africa for Lattisha to have cataract surgery in each eye. It was successful and her recovery seems to be going well. When we returned, we visited the new church plant in Kasompe. This was the second or third time I've been able to hear Pastor Adamson Chabala preach since we've been back from furlough. He did such a great job that I kept thinking to myself, "*We have trained to preacher!*" He has good content. He has a great delivery. He organizes the sermon material well and has great illustrations. It is a blessing to know that the people of this new church plant will definitely be fed. Please continue to pray for Adam's right hand to be healed. I believe he will definitely need some surgeries in the future to regain use of the hand. We also went soul winning together one Saturday and Adamson led 7 people to the Lord that morning. I think we have trained a preacher, Lord willing.

Please pray with us earnestly about finding a piece of land to build a church building for the Kasompe church plant. We have been looking and we did have some leads, but everything has fallen through. There's just such an incredible demand for property right now. We may have to settle for something much further away than we had originally hoped. But right now it doesn't look like we can find anything. I know the Lord is working. We have enough money on hand to buy something. And we have engaged the Director of Planning at the local municipality to help us, but still nothing has been forthcoming. So please commit this to prayer for us. Thank you.



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