

# The Telmans

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Answering God's call to  
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God continues to bring lost souls to Himself through Mbira Baptist Church. A Muslim man got saved several weeks ago, and he has been coming to Bible College since. It is very exciting to continually see people getting saved and then eagerly learning all they can about God and His Word!

In our last newsletter, we asked you to pray with us regarding transportation to bring the street kids and people from other villages to church. Praise the Lord, He has provided finances for the fuel to bring them every Sunday!



Bible College continues to grow. There have been around 50 coming each Wednesday. They were very excited when Jim handed out shirts for those that have been coming faithfully. It's fun to see the jaajas (elderly) and others proudly greeting and speaking in English. It's even better to see them hungrily asking questions at the end of class to learn more and more about the Bible!

We were blessed to have visitors from Long Hollow Baptist Church recently. It's always such an encouragement to spend time with Christians from America. They did VBS with the kids here, which the kids always enjoy. One of the highlights of their trip was visiting the jaajas at their homes. They brought food and a gift to each one, including bandanas that they put on each of their heads. The jaajas were so grateful for the gifts, and several of them have been proudly wearing the bandanas to church.



Tony & Kristy Applegate, our teammates, have returned from their furlough. He will be taking over the S1 class, and Michelle will continue to teach them music and teach the girls sewing. They will be switching to the American school schedule and to A.C.E. curriculum. Please pray for the Applegates and the S1 class that the adjustment will go smoothly.



On Michelle's last day teaching S1, we had a party. They had recently learned about sandwiches since they had "delicatessen" as a vocabulary word. They had also learned about pie in math. They all said they had never had either, so we served sandwiches and pie and watched Courageous.

Our last rainy season was very dry, but we just finished a rainy season that more than made up for it. While it was good for the crops, it also brought many mosquitoes. We have had several students with malaria or other illnesses recently. Please continue to pray for the health of our orphans, as well as the members of our church.

Many of the orphans don't know when their birthdays are, so we have a birthday party for all of them the last weekend in June. This year we had pinatas, food, and a movie. One of the ladies from our home church came with the Applegates in 2011 & stayed until May, 2012. God provided some great deals for her that she was excited about, and she was able to get a gift for each of the orphans. It is always such a fun evening celebrating their lives!



They take their pinatas quite seriously!



This celebration also serves as a reminder of when God spared John's life when he had malaria right after we moved here. We missed the first birthday party we were here for because we were on the way to the hospital with him and JT. We're so thankful God got us to the hospital in time & provided the right treatment for him!

Pastor JJ always asks for testimonies at the end of Sunday morning services. Sometimes this is a sad reminder of how difficult life is for the people here. One elderly lady lost her only remaining child last week, and now has some of her grandchildren living with her. The church recently helped her with food because she didn't have any, and now she's concerned about being able to sustain her grandchildren as well. This is one of the many reminders of how beneficial it would be to have a jaaja home that we've been praying about, so we could have them close to us & be more available to provide whatever help they need. We would appreciate your prayers for wisdom & God's provision regarding this jaaja home.

Another couple has a baby who was born with a very large head. She has a tube in her head, but is needing further surgery which is very expensive. They were praising God that someone has provided for her to be able to have the surgery. Life is hard, but God is good! Please pray for Maureen's surgery and recovery.

Thank you for your prayers and support for us and for the people here. It is such a privilege to serve God here on behalf of each one of you.



At the game park



Opening birthday presents with Emily on skype



Fathers Day

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