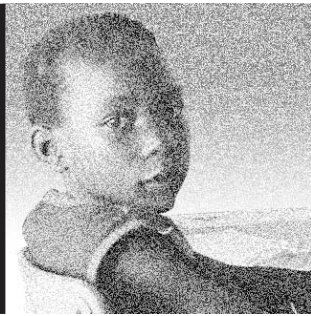


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New House... New Kids... New Clothes

KATHE PADILLA

I returned from Zambia September 20, after a great trip to Chishawasha. Lots of good things are now happening around the Chishawasha campus.

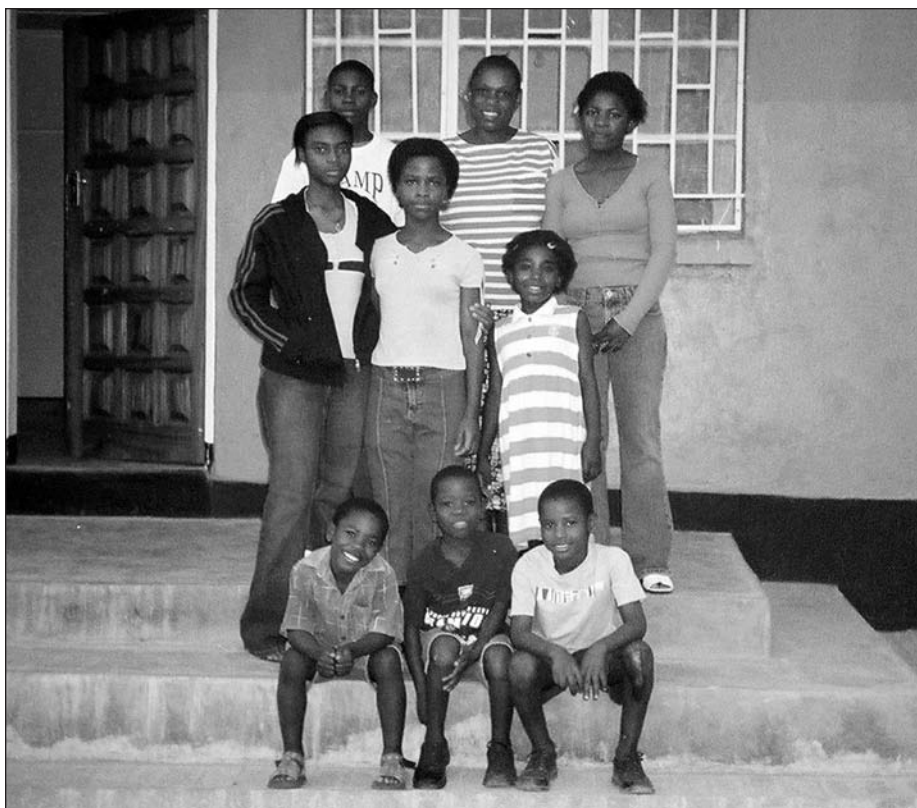
While I was there the container came. With the help of employees and our construction workers, we unloaded the whole container in a matter of hours. In Zambia people

like to sing while they work, so we sang Christmas carols because it felt like Christmas! Our big storage building went from being virtually empty to filled and organized in one day. Then the fun began. Maria, our bookkeeper and store keeper, the housemothers and I started sorting. For the better part of two weeks we gave out clothes and shoes to the children; assigned

dishes, pots and pans, computers, sewing machines and other assorted goods to the houses; and organized books between the school, the school library and household libraries. By the time I left the children were once again well dressed, and the houses and school were well stocked.

The septic tank and hot water heater were the last things that needed to be done to finish our third house for the children and they were connected Friday, September 14. On September 15 and 16th we took in eight more children. Five of the new children came from one family who already attend our school. They are an assortment of orphaned brothers, sisters and cousins who were living with their Auntie in a two room house sheltering 14 people. Their Aunt was struggling to keep them all going by gardening in a small plot and selling her excess produce. I cannot imagine how she had any excess produce when she was trying to feed 14 people. The children are Florence, age 12, in our 5th grade accelerated class as is her cousin, Joseph, age 11. Her sister Mercy is 10 and in our 4th grade class. John, 8 is in our 2nd grade and his brother, Lanu, is the youngest at 6 and in our 1st grade class. (See photo.)

We also took in one of Henry's younger sisters, Priscilla, age 8, and one of Monica's younger sisters, Tynes, also age 8. One other new



At the newest house: front row: Ryan, Lanu & John; middle row: Thoko, Florence & Tyness; back row: Abraham, Mother Martha & Annette

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ZCF Fundraiser: Mr. Boogie-Woogie, November 25

Please join us for an evening of blues and boogie brought to us by Mr. Boogie-Woogie, on Sunday, November 25 at 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. Mr. Boogie-Woogie is the most popular boogie and blues pianist in Holland and was voted "Best European Blues Pianist" in 2006. Mr. Boogie-Woogie will be accompanied by well known local musicians, Steve Grams, Danny Krieger and Ralph Gilmore. Food and drinks will be available with donation.

Catherine Morton is generously donating the space in her Home Style Galleries located just north-

west of 22nd at 1010 South Wilmot. Parking is available behind the Gallery.

A \$1,000.00 Gift Certificate for a custom designed piece of jewelry from Abbot Taylor Jeweler's will be auctioned off during the break as well as other exciting items.

Tickets are available in advance from the ZCF office at 323-2504 for a donation of \$25 and at the door for a donation of \$30.

All funds will go directly to support the work of the Zambian Children's Fund.



Thanks, Nashville!

All the boys at CCHZ faithfully play "football" Friday afternoons (the day they get out of school early), Sunday afternoons and whenever they can against the local village boys. The Nashville Working Group has recently donated new soccer uniforms, balls in assorted sizes, pumps and shin guards in various sizes. Blue shirts are labeled "Chishawasha" and yellow shirts "CCHZ Visitor" on the front with a number on the back.

Now all our players will have uniforms and everyone will be able to tell one team from the other! It will be great fun to deliver everything to the children in Zambia. If anyone would like to donate soccer shoes in almost any size, we will see they get to the new Chishawasha Football Teams.

Thank you to everyone in Nashville who helped make CCHZ a real soccer team!



clockwise from top left: Mercy; Joseph, Florence, Mercy, Lanu & John; Force is no longer a baby; Mother Christine and Ben harvesting vegies.

CCHZ Photographers in Smithsonian Magazine!

NANCY DYTMAN

Photos taken by twelve Chishawasha children will debut nation wide in print and online in the November issue of Smithsonian Magazine (www.smithsonian-magazine.com). The photos were the result of an intensive photography workshop co-sponsored by Kids with Cameras (www.kids-with-cameras.org); the photos will also be posted on the www.zambianchildrens-fund.org website.

Professional photographer Klaus Schoenwiese raised the money for the project and donated his own services. He went to Zambia in May and June, gave each of the children in the workshop a camera and film and worked with them for three weeks. The children photographed their lives at Chishawasha, their extended families and home villages where possible; and took field trips to markets, a game reserve and a fishery. The workshop culminated in a beautiful show in a CCHZ schoolroom, and Klaus returned to the United States with 150 rolls of student film.

Under an agreement with Smithsonian Magazine, the photos are to remain unpublished prior to

the publication of the Magazine on November 1, but you will be able to see them in Smithsonian's feature online and in print by November 1. You will also be able to see the workshop photos and short biographies of the children themselves on a project website (tribeofman.com/zambia) where Klaus has a slideshow of his own photographs taken while at Chishawasha and guaranteed to put you there.

We hope to follow these publications with exhibitions, photo sales and fund-raising materials such as calendars and cards. As Klaus says, "we warmly welcome quality exhibition venues, publicists, press inquiries, sponsors, donations, or help from wherever you may be hailing us." Please contact Klaus at klaus@tribeofman.com if you have information you think could be helpful.

We invite you to buy gallery quality prints of the children's wonderful photos online, at the project website. Also, Kids with Cameras is accepting on-line donations toward the photography project. The money from print sales and donations will go toward planned exhibitions and all related project expenses.

DVDs for Chishawasha

Recently Chishawasha Learning Center received the gift of a large television/DVD player! This was the hope and dream of Consilia Mwanza, our Head Teacher. She and her teaching team have been looking for ways to expand the horizons of the CCHZ students, most of whom have never been further away than the home village or parts of Lusaka. It is difficult for the students to grasp certain parts of science, history and geography without the kinds of visual exposure students in developed countries take for granted.

We are looking for educational DVDs for the school. The new DVD player can accommodate both American and European formats. We would love to have History Channel, National Geographic, or PBS programs (we have already been given the Planet Earth series). They saw and loved Akeelah and the Bee - and they started spelling contests among themselves. Don't worry about age level or sophistication. Our older students need materials too and our kids are quick learners.

Mary Hotvedt, our Development Director, can hand carry the DVDs when she visits Chishawasha in November. She says the teachers will be thrilled to have good material to enrich the classroom experience.

Please send or drop off any contributions of DVDs to the office in Tucson.



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Just In...

Just as this newsletter was going to press, I received an e-mail from our Manager, Philip Mvula, in Zambia telling me a sudden wind storm blew the entire roof off of one of our five bedroom houses where 18 children and 2 housemothers live. It was obvious he was very upset, but luckily no one was injured as all of the children were in school when it happened. However, that house is also used as the administrative office at Chishawasha. Eighteen children will be difficult to relocate, so we will need to repair the rafters, beams and corrugated iron roofing sheets as quickly as possible.

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little boy is Ryan who was referred to us by the Kondwe Center, which has referred many of the children who came to us from N'gombe Compound. Ryan is as cute as a button, and seems quite bright, but he is nine years old and looks to be five. None of these three new children have ever before gone to school, so we will have to be sure to have a first grade class when the new school year starts in January.

Fall Calendar

- Nov. 7 to 11** **Kathe will be speaking in Toronto, Canada and working with the ZCF Board in Toronto**
- Nov. 25** **ZCF Fundraiser (see article inside)
Mr. Boogie Woogie**
- Dec. 1** **GUAMAP Holiday Art Sale with gifts & items from ZCF & all over the world at 1991 West Calle Campana de Plata**
- Dec. 2** **St. Michael's & All Angels Annual International Advent Gift Sale, 600 North Wilmot Road, Tucson**

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cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better,
it's not.”* **THE LORAX, BY DR. SUESS**

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