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EPI PLANTS FIFTIETH CHURCH!!!

Dear Friends,

Patmos Baptist Church has become the fiftieth church to be planted by EPI in Zambia and Mozambique! Planted in Muledwa village, a rural village like most villages in Eastern Zambia; a village **now** with a true evangelical church. It will be pastored by Deacon William Banda. Attending on the first Sunday were 96 new believers with 45 baptized. Please take time to read the following testimonies from two families whose lives were touched by God through the showing of the Jesus Film:

"This testimony is coming from Sekeva Phiri who lives in Muledwa village. This man has been attending the Zion Church for 34 years. The Zion Church is a church that worships idols, dead people and demons. Using roots and charms, they worship God as only the god of the mountains. Mr. Phiri was involved in Nyau dancing, where the masked dancers are understood to be spirits of the dead. Nyau dancing is an encounter with a demon spirit and is associated with fear and death. Mr. Phiri and his family came to the showing of the Jesus Film and their lives were touched by the Holy Spirit and the darkness was removed! Mr. Phiri and his entire family came to join Patmos Baptist Church and will be baptized." Thanks Pastor Iwell Phiri.

"This testimony is coming from Mr. Gavenala who had never attended a church of any kind for 78 years. When he heard the sound of the music and the sound of our equipment...he came and stood for two hours and 40 minutes. When the invitation was given to come forward to receive Christ, his life was touched and this man came. He began telling me that he was a very bad man. He was keeping gods in his house (idols) and was asking them to make him rich and protect him from sickness. He was worshipping them believing that they were powerful and that they would help him. But today, he said, I have understood the story of the one true god and I have learned that this God has provided a Savior for me and I want to receive Him."

This is the story of EPI. We are taking the good news of the Gospel to those who have not heard. Paul said it best in Romans 10:14-15: "How shall they call upon the one in whom they have not believed? How shall they believe in the one in whom they have not heard? How shall they hear without a preacher? How shall they preach unless sent?"

2014 Projects

January - Zambia*

January- Malawi*

March - Zambia*

April - Zambia *

May - Zambia**

June—Zambia*

July—Zambia*

August—Zambia* Mozambique*

September- Zambia

October-Malawi

November-Tanzania

August Project 2014

Audience 35,957

Decisions 22,649

Jesus Film 10

Churches Planted 1

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God's Plan for Evangelism....Planting Churches!

"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28:16-20 (KJV)

God's plan for evangelism has always been built around the New Testament Church. By the end of 2015 we expect to have planted almost 100 churches in Eastern Zambia and Mozambique. God began giving us a vision in 2013 to build a training center inside THE CIRCLE (a 60km circle around Iwell's home) for the purpose of training and encouraging our young pastor's, deacons, and church leaders. Little did we know that God was already at work preparing the way for this to be accomplished! During the third week of our June Project, as we were meeting with seven of our churches for a day of training at Mpando (on a piece of open land), our coordinator, Iwell Phiri just blurts out of the clear blue: "This is the land that the Mambo (the Chief of the chiefs) has given to EPI for building our training center." You could have knocked us over with a feather!. This land had been donated to EPI after our first meeting with her in May of 2013! Somehow Iwell had just neglected to tell us. We had been praying and asking God to provide land for a training center and HE HAD ALREADY PROVIDED! We will trust God to provide the funds that we need to proceed with construction of the building (\$18,000). The facility will be used for the following purposes:

- 1) Ongoing training of pastor's, deacons, and church leaders.
- 2) Retreat Center for local churches to use.
- 3) Regional training events for Pastors in Eastern Zambia and Western Mozambique.
- 4) Possible Extension of Baptist Seminary for training new pastor's.

Training Center Grounds donated by the Mambo to EPI



EPI Yard Sale October 2-4

Donations are now being received at 5716 Melinda St. 76117

Directions from church: West on Glenview Dr. to Melinda St. on right.

Suggested items: cars, boats, household goods, furniture, appliances, jewelry, clothes (on hangers), kitchen ware, electronics (if you donate an older TV-small only please) and antiques.

Cash donations are being accepted (last year we had \$1800 in yard sale donations).

We appreciate your donations to help us reach our goal of raising \$12,000 to be used in purchasing a 29 passenger bus needed for church planting in Eastern Zambia. (Iwell transports 20-30 trained counselors to each Jesus Film)

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