



Dear Friends,

Some of you have been asking questions about the planting of our 8 missionaries. We just wanted to update you on the procedure and the progress. Our first missionary family, Raphael and Judith Zulu, have been successfully planted in the Chama District. By the time you receive this newsletter, our second missionary family, David and Mary Njovu will have been planted in the Lundazi District. The planting procedure requires two weeks time and about \$1500 which covers fuel, food, water, communications (air time), accommodations for Iwell and Amos and gifts for the chiefs of the district. Assuming that we are planting a missionary family that already has a motorcycle and a J.F. back pack.....the following is the first year budget:

FIRST YEAR BUDGET:

Bicycles (2 @ \$180 each).....	\$360
(Bicycles are needed when fuel is unavailable)	
12 months rent at \$50 per month.....	\$600
12 bags 90 KG @ \$50 each (maize meal).....	\$600
12 months fuel for motorcycle @ \$75 per mo.....	\$900
School Fees (varies by age & number of children)...	\$500
Total.....	\$2960



FIRST PLANTING WEEK.....The first week is spent integrating the missionary family into their new home and the following are some of the things that are accomplished:

- 1) Finding suitable housing and moving the family into their new home.
- 2) Meeting all the chiefs in their district and as many headmen as possible.
- 3) Meeting governmental officials. (Tribal hierarchy and governmental officials are like two rails on the same train track)
- 4) Meeting with the churches that we have already planted in the district.

SECOND PLANTING WEEK.....This week is spent doing Jesus Film Meetings. The following things will be accomplished with Iwell working alongside the missionary as he continues to:

- 1) Become competent in the operation of the equipment.
- 2) Gain practice in properly conducting a Jesus Film Show.
- 3) Gain practice in doing the necessary follow up after the film show.
- 4) Be able to properly plant a church when one is needed.
- 5) Begins to develop a vision and a plan for reaching the un-reached villages in his district.

TO SUM UP.....It takes about \$4500 each time Iwell cranks up the bus to begin planting one of our missionaries. We must ask ourselves several questions as we ponder this reality:

- 1) How much money is even ONE SOUL worth?
- 2) If everything I have belongs to GOD.....then WHO should be making the decision of how I am going to spend it?
- 3) Is there anything more URGENT than reaching the lost with the gospel?
- 4) Am I going to INVEST in Heaven OR the things of this world? (Which are passing away).

With tidings of great joy, we wish you a Merry Christmas!
John and Sharon

PRAYER REQUEST.....WATER WELL NEEDED FOR EPI TRAINING CENTER PROPERTY.....\$3500
PRAYER REQUEST.....CONSTRUCTION OF EPI TRAINING CENTER BUILDING.....\$4000