



Happy New Year!

We pray you have started this year off with good health and great memories of Christmas and visits with friends and family. We were blessed to be in Houston and able to attend our home church, Encourager, for the Christmas Eve service with Nell Kruger (Janet's mother). This Christmas was different on many levels. It was the first without my dad; LD, the first time to celebrate at my brother Clay's with his wife, Glenda, and her family; the first that my mom went to church with us for Christmas Eve service; and the first time to have Christmas supper with Butch's sister and family in Houston.

We have been blessed with such loving friends and family calling and inviting us to visit and share what we have been doing on the field for the past couple of years. Family...Friends...all of you have been a fantastic gift of help and support for us.

As we travel and share the work we are privileged to be a part of, we are motivated to praise God even more for all He has accomplished and for what we are trusting Him to do when we return to Zambia. We look forward to re-starting our classes, seeing the land issue for *Agape Retreat Center and Kids Camp* be finalized, and for the village ministries to continue.

Presently we are traveling from Fredericksburg, Va., to Ocala, Fl. Butch was invited to teach The Elijah Challenge to a group of around 30 folks over the weekend. It went very well and the participants were receptive to the teaching and excited to put it into use. This was a great opportunity and also the first time that Butch taught it in the USA. It is a little different teaching to English proficient folks without the use of an interpreter! While in Ocala, we will be meeting with Light of Africa's Board Members, Dan and Melissa Clute and other friends and supporters. From there we travel to Tallahassee, Fl., and then on to Birmingham, Al. This is the last of our "big" traveling for a few years. Though the roads have been long we count it a joy to have been able to see some of the USA, visit with loved ones, and be present to pray and believe God with you for your needs.



Each place we have visited has been a godsend and filled with love and affirmation of our personal and ministry relationship connection. We praise God for these opportunities and for the time spent in each place with each person. As you pray for us, please let us know how we might better pray for you.

PRAISES: Funds received for Light of Africa; Traveling mercies; New opportunities to share the vision and progress of Light of Africa; new intercessors praying for us and for the ministry

REQUESTS: Divine opportunities to share the ministry; pray for teams planning to join us this your summer; for the land issue to be resolved quickly and with great favor; for Butch's classes to resume without delays; favor for the house we rent; continued traveling mercies as we begin to wind up our time in the USA

In His glorious service,

Butch & Janet Berner
LoA Missionaries serving in Livingstone, Zambia