

Maanza a Leza, "Hands of God" Progress Report



Third Quarter Progress Report 2023

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; acknowledge Him in all your ways and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

Good News for Zambia Education

President Hakainde Hichilema elected in 2021 seems to be proactive about meeting the needs of students in Zambia. FairPlanet.org reported in a Feb.4, 2022 news story that Zambian President said this in a Facebook post: "Here's where we are now: Increased teachers' salaries; removed school fees in public schools; remove examination fees; remove PTA fees; recruiting 30,000 more teachers; providing additional funds for our most vulnerable students through the CDF (Constituency Development Fund), building 120 new schools...; spending over K18 billion (18 billion kwacha) on education in our first year."

President Hichelema has addressed our rural Sichibeya School. In three months he had two classrooms built in our adopted village. This most certainly helped the overcrowding in the classrooms since the school now serves students through tenth grade.



President Hakainde Hichilema

Maanza a Leza Five Classroom Building Update

Maanza a Leza's building project of five classrooms has been troubled with delays since April, after the rainy season. The rainy season flooded an area of the excavation site which had to be repaired. Our contractor, Bishop Simuusa, sent men to repair that on two occasions. The repair has been completed, but Simuusa has been having trouble getting workers since COVID 19. The villagers have made many bricks and secured and piled natural resources to help with this build. Villagers were trying to get some supplies that Bishop Simuusa needed with ox carts, but were unsuccessful. MaL contractor and Assembly of God Pastor, Bishop Simuusa is now trying to get those

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needed supplies to the village using his truck which will be more expensive, but will save some time.

Mukanyanga Kambol, MaL liaison and Mr. Hainga, Sichibeya School headmaster have been in contact with Mr. Bishop. Maanza a Leza has written a friendly letter to Mr. Bishop expressing the village's need to get the foundation laid before the next rainy season, usually beginning mid-November. In all of the correspondence Mr. Bishop seems to want to comply with our wishes.

Ways to Help Raise Funds for Maanza a Leza this Quarter

Month	When	How you can help
July	July 2 July 9 After early and late worship service	Help Brenda Carson take in jewelry repairs by keeping the receipt and jewelry needing repair organized.
August	Aug 22 6pm Covenant UMC	For the Covenant UMC, "Power of One" presentation, help is needed in loading a jewelry pop-up store from Mullins, unloading the store at Covenant, setting up a sales table, and selling jewelry. The time spent at Covenant will probably be 5:30 -8:00. Two volunteers are needed.
September	September 2 Prep picnic packs September 3 Picnic packs distribution	For the MaL Annual Labor Day Picnic Pack prep is Saturday Sept. 2, 9am. At least four volunteers are needed to prepare for this distribution. At least 4 volunteers are needed to make large crock-pots of baked beans. Three are needed on distribution day.

Maanza a Leza knows that God continues to bless this ministry. Volunteering and supporting this ministry has kept it alive and strong. This verse says it best: "The world of the generous gets larger and larger...The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped." Proverbs 11: 24-25
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