

NEWS FROM THE BRUMFIELD FAMILY

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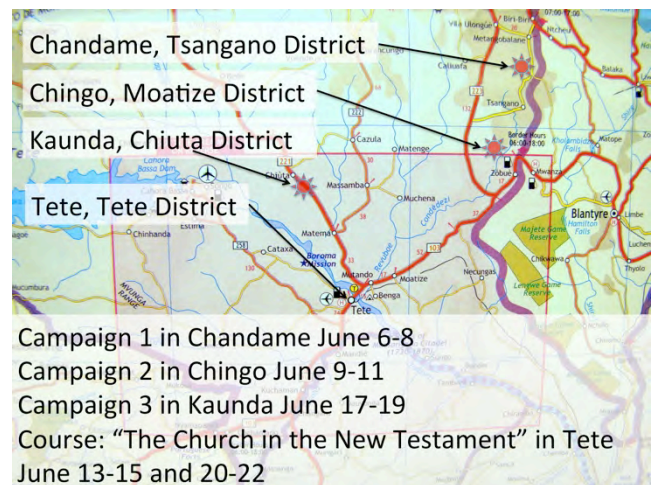
One Thing is Important (Ask the rich man Luke 16:19-31)



We hope all is going well with you. God is blessing us in so many ways. We love to get pictures of our three sweet grandkids in Ft. Cobb, Oklahoma. As most of you know my precious sister Addie Breshears, passed away from liver cancer. We all miss her so much but she is with the Lord, which is very much better for her (Phi 1:23). We want to thank all of you who stand behind us for the support and for your prayers. Without it these things could not happen.



I went to Mozambique and took Marcus Campbell with me. He graduated from SIBI a couple of years ago and visited Brazil with me. He has been working with Family and Youth at the 3rd and Kilgore church in Portales, New Mexico since then. We did three



Campaign 1 in Chandame June 6-8
 Campaign 2 in Chingo June 9-11
 Campaign 3 in Kaunda June 17-19
 Course: "The Church in the New Testament" in Tete June 13-15 and 20-22



preaching campaigns in three different villages. Marcus did most of the preaching and I

taught a course in the new "INSTITUTO BÍBLICO DE MOÇAMBIQUE" (Bible Institute of Mozambique). We are in the

process of registering the school. This is the logo we plan to use and I am writing up the documents required by the Mozambican government.

Chandame village was an eye-opening experience for us. The brothers



had hired a van and driver to take us there for 3000 Meticaís (US\$97) that ended up costing US\$206. The van started making strange noises right off and eventually the driver gave up and turned around to go back to Tete. The van started jerking more

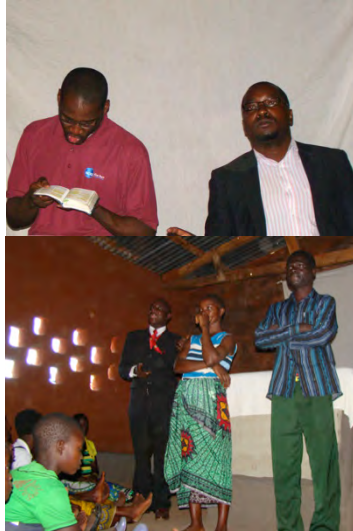


and more until it stopped. We were able to repair it with a small pair of Vice Grips and finally arrived in Chandame

around 9:00PM. The church, which had expected us around 6:00pm, was still there waiting on us to preach. Most of these villages have no electricity so we had bought a nice new "Germany" generator so we could attract guests by showing the Jesus Movie (According to the Gospel of Luke). Unfortunately the generator was a fake "Germany" generator and did not work so we showed the movie on the Laptop. There was a good number of people who came to hear the preaching



and the Word was preached. As in many African cultures, the men sit on one side on logs or rocks or benches and the women sit on the other side usually on the ground on bamboo mats.



The second preaching campaign was in the **Chingo village**. This trip took us to Zobue on the Malawi border. There we hired motorcycles to take us to the village 15 kilometers away. The cycles were all imitation Honda 90s. The path was very treacherous. We had to get off several times to cross the creek and we crossed several bridges that were no more than two feet wide. We arrived with the replacement generator that worked fine. We showed the Jesus movie for children and they loved it. The next day the building was packed. After some preaching, this couple came forward and was restored.



During break between sermons, everyone goes outside. The men go to one side of the building and the women go to the other side. The kids follow whoever is carrying the camera. At lunchtime they took us off to a separate place to eat with the leaders. They always pour water over your hands to wash before and after every meal. I guess it's kind of like washing feet. Eating is done without civilware. Civilized people don't need forks and stuff because they wash their hands :).



I was so surprised to see the van there the next morning. I had no idea that was possible. After a couple of days, I left Marcus there and returned to Tete. What an adventure. We weren't gone for five minutes before we got stuck. Actually, we got stuck several times. This one time we were so stuck that we had to call for help. They ended up lifting the front of the van up and setting it on a huge tree trunk to get us out. It ended up getting dark before we got back to the highway. In the night we got very lost. The whole trail was only a trail for walking and not for a vehicle. Sometimes the trail would disappear. We were simply lost in the bush of Africa. The elephant grass was also getting taller as we went. I'm sure there were places it was over eight feet tall. Brother Jacob got out and walked to show us where to go. Finally a man showed up and told us the way to the highway. Only seconds after getting on the highway,

the window at my side exploded and covered me with slivers of glass. I screamed like a girl and eventually said, "I'm okay... I think". We did not slow down; we speed up and got out of there. We thought it was a gunshot but it was not. Samuel told me that the people have been stoning passing cars in that area in recent times.

Please see [some videos from Mozambique](https://www.facebook.com/tjbrumfield) on my Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/tjbrumfield>). Also see [some pictures](#) there.



While we were lost in the elephant grass, Marcus was also suffering another problem back in the village. He had preached all day and it was getting dark and time to show another movie. He started to set things up but the new fake "Germany" generator was not by the pulpit where we had left it. Who had moved it? Everyone started looking for it. The village chief came to investigate but it was nowhere to be found. The whole village went house-to-house looking and

to this day it is gone. Everyone was so upset about the generator that it was hard to get much effective preaching done after that. The chief said, "that was the first time a white man had come to their village and now another one will never come again". I think Satan was trying to keep us from preaching the Word, but we will not stop.

The third campaign was in the **village of**



Kaunda. It is a small village on the highway. Since this village has electricity, we showed a video the first night in the back of a brother's house (the church building has no electricity). This brother owns a boarding school on the highway and so he let us sleep in the rooms (about 7X5 feet in size). I told Marcus that I thought I saw a guinea pig go into his room and so he showed him out. It turned out that the guinea pig gnawed on something under my bed the whole night.



They had killed the fattened goat for us and served it for lunch. They put us in the "church office" (no roof) with the village chiefs to eat and gave Marcus and me the "choice cuts" of meat (goat intestines). Recently their

building was in need of a new thatch roof and Samuel Mtaula asked for help to get them some funds for it. If I understand right, a US church gave them US\$300 and they ended up with a nice building with a tin roof and wood for benches. After the preaching there, these two (right) were restored (came forward to confess sin and ask for prayers).



After the three campaigns I had a chance to discuss with the evangelists and leaders of the churches an idea about future "campaigns". I explained to them that most people did not feel comfortable going to a "church" to hear the preaching. So I challenged them to do campaigns themselves in a different way. Instead of calling everyone to come to the church building to hear the preaching, just do the preaching out

in the open in the most public place; maybe the market place or the main path of the village. Maybe we could start one evening by showing a movie out in the open so everyone could see it. After the movie we could preach for a while and create some interest and explain that we would be preaching every evening for a week or two. I told them that when people ask me what church I'm from; I ask them if they remember the verse where Jesus said, "...upon this rock I will build My church". That's the church I am a part of. I explain that I'm not willing to be a part of any other church. The leaders accepted the challenge to use the contribution of the two Sundays to send men to do campaigns like this for the next few months.

We had the second course of the Bible Institute of



Mozambique. It took place again in the Industrial School of Matundo in Tete. The course was "The Church in the New Testament". We again meet for two weekends; Friday evenings and all day Saturdays and Sundays. We had a total of thirty-four hours of class time with short



breaks every hour and a half or so. On Saturdays and Sundays we had lunch together. I told them that if they provide the corn, firewood and cook, I would



help with the fish and vegetables. We had around forty in attendance.

Some were guests. Two of them were "pastors" of Pentecostal churches and some were from the Assembly of God. They were eager to learn what the church in the New Testament was like.



As most of you know, pictured on the left is Luis Pereira Santos and his family from Brazil. We have many years of history together. He was taught the Gospel by his brother Idalicio in Salvador (Itinga) many years ago. I am begging for support for him to go to teach a course in Tete right now (US\$6000) and for his family to move to Tete in January and serve there for 5 years (See attached information). Please, if you or your congregation can help in this please send funds to SIBI – International Division – Mozambique 3723 – 34th Street, Lubbock Texas 79410. Checks can be made out to "SIBI" but it is necessary to include a separate note specifying that it is for the work in Mozambique. Technically, in order for it to be a tax-

deductible donation, the memo line on the check must be something like "donation" and not a specific destination. Please pray that funds can be raised for this work to continue. We pray for you often and beg that our Father will give you His favorite blessings. With you in His hands,

Tim Brumfield :})

My email has changed <tbrumfield.sibi@gmail.com> . Please delete my old timb@sibi.cc email.

SIBI- (806) 792-5191 We no longer have a home phone

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How much money came into our accounts for this mission trip?

Discrimination	2014	USD\$
Remaining from last trip	3-7	866.82
Else Shirley	3-15	200
Bill Savage - Hobbs		200
GC Thompson - Carlsbad	4-16	400
David and Lola Crouch - Searcy	4-21	150
Collene Rockhold	5-19	250
Bob Jackson - Lubbock	5-28	50
Hank and Linda Wagner - Lubbock		200
Joe Hunnicutt - Lubbock		20
Brian Allamon - Lubbock		150
Jeannie Jones - Lubbock		50
George Brumfield - Portales		200
Sunset – International Division – for Solar Player Delivery		4761.77
Total		7498.59

How Much Money went out of our Accounts for this trip?

Discrimination	2014 mm/dd	US\$ Spent -
Rented house – Me, Marcus and others		2000.00
Airline Tickets		1956.36
Generator		607.69
Location Rent		516.13
Campaigns-Thanks David and Lola Crouch - 2411 Brittany, Searcy, AR 72143		370.97
Ground Transportation		362.49
Food		343.23
Mozambique Visas		219.90
Zimbabwe Visa		45.00
Extra Luggage 2 nd and 3 rd bags @ \$100 each		200.00
Money for Nhamo – Solar Players Documentation		200.00
Hotel Harare 100+88		188.00
IMG insurance		80.73
Printer		64.52
Internet and Phone		58.06
Foreign Wire Fees		55.00
Computer Dell 700m screen for Milione		45.00
Electricity for house		32.26
Radio Ads		29.68
Printing Paper		27.42
Jesus DVDs in Chichewa Language		26.80
Tips		19.35
Wire, Plugs, Sockets, blubs		17.26
Bank Card Charges		15.00
Laundry		12.90
Motor Oil		4.84
Total Spent		7498.59