

How you can help!

As a desire to continue to help others grow and develop, Connie and I are now serving others, especially those a lot less fortunate, through missionary work. Serving in South Africa and now in Zambia has greatly blessed and taught us that we take so much for granted in the USA. People here have almost nothing to work with and basic things like food, fresh water and sanitary facilities, shelter, clothing, medical assistance, and the tools to get a good education become full-time tasks in the fight for survival. Also diseases such as HIV/AIDS, malaria, cholera, etc. that have been eliminated or contained in the USA still take far too many lives on a daily basis here.

We firmly believe that we can have a positive influence in these African lives by training up a new breed of leaders and by working with one on one. The training tools that we take for granted as necessary for success in the USA are new and very valuable to those in need here. We must work hard to equip the African people with the tools and skills to make a difference.

There are four main areas that you could be very helpful to Connie and me as well as to the people of Zambia by your generous support:

- 1) Personal support for Dave and Connie Keating to carry on the missionary work in Zambia. We are not paid any wages or salaries for our work in Zambia so we need to raise all of our support. This becomes especially difficult since we had to quit our jobs in the USA to be able to come to Zambia. Monthly support and/or a one-time contribution would be a great blessing to us.
- 2) To help students in the Bible College receive the education necessary to change the lives of many people, we are planning to give these students college courses taught in the USA via correspondence and the Internet. This will also open up great resource materials from US college libraries and other resource centers to enhance their education experience. Today, there are very few textbooks and school supplies in the elementary and secondary schools, or colleges. College libraries are totally inadequately supplied with books. To accomplish this, we will need to purchase 15 computers at an approximate cost of \$ XXX each plus establish a computer network and business service center. Total cost for the equipment and facility changes will cost approximately \$ 37,000. Once this center is operational, we will be able to earn enough funds internally to sustain and grow it. Please consider the donation funds to purchase one or more computers and/or support to provide the Internet network here in Zambia.
- 3) We are currently working with several orphanages and community schools that are primarily serving the needs of other vulnerable children (OVC), those who are orphaned by one or two parents. There are over 1 million children in Zambia today who fit this category alone. Where community schools are available, the one or two small rooms are greatly overcrowded with up to 300 children attending on a regular basis. These schools are usually in very poor condition, often with only a partial roof, no tables, chairs, no kitchen facilities, and often no nearby bathroom facilities or drinking water. In many cases, not even one meal a day is provided. Our children are our future and we desire to help many of these children raise their standard of living to be better able to cope with their future and their children's future. Connie and I are helping these schools and are helping to place hammer mills, and boreholes (water wells), especially near these schools.

4) We have started an Adopt-A-Student program to train up a "new breed" of Christian leaders in the Bible College here so that they can positively develop a better tomorrow for many Zambians. At Victory Bible College, both a single year certificate and a two year diploma are available with the intent to also start a third year advanced diploma. Only partial scholarships are granted so that each student still has significant ownership in their education. You can adopt-a-student for as little as \$500.00 per student per year. This covers all of their tuition and school fees. Students are responsible for their own housing and food.

Please consider working with us and being a part of what God is calling us to do in Africa. We realize that there are always ample opportunities to give to very worthwhile causes. We are asking you for help because you know us personally and have worked with us over the years and we can assure you that all funds received will be used as designated. Successful missionary work requires a whole team of players, those willing to go, those who stay behind and do the work, those praying for those that go, and those who provide the financial support for those who go. No one can accomplish this great task by himself. It is very rewarding to be a part of this work in Zambia.

All gifts and/or donations to Creator's Touch Ministries are tax-exempt. Please indicate the amount and area of support that you would be interested in. All checks should be made out to Creator's Touch Ministries and can be mailed to P.O. Box 336, Onalaska, Wisconsin 54650. Connie and I thank you in advance for your prayers and support.

Sincerely,

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