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Seminar for Establishing Training Centers

Last week John was involved in a seminar with a group of church leaders from Grace Ministries. The goal of the meetings was to help these pastors set up a number of leadership training programs across the country. Twenty-one pastors attended at least part of the seminar which should result in the establishment of nine new Local Training Centers and plans to train 120 new church leaders. Such centers represent the heart of what we are trying to do here in Zambia. Our aim is to help the churches we work with in this country establish a network of training programs that will enable those presently in leadership to raise up and equip others. John has been preparing for this seminar for a number of months, and it was very gratifying to see all the effort finally pay off. Everyone left the meetings excited about what they were being empowered to do. They left with specific plans to train their leaders and a box of books to start teaching the first few courses. Thanks to you who have been supporting us financially, we have been able to provide Global University training materials at a very reasonable cost. Many of the centers should be up and running by the end of the year.



First Classes at New Center in Mongu

In August and September John was able to be involved in teaching the first course at the new training center in Mongu. Earlier this year we reported to you on the planning for this new center. Thirty pastors and church leaders from a number of rural areas were in attendance for the two sessions. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and desire to learn and grow. Several of them told of their struggles in sharing the gospel and planting churches. Many are pastoring in areas where there are few Christians and most people are heavily involved in witchcraft. God is doing wonderful things in this part of Zambia.

We Are Heading Home Soon

Our time here in Zambia is soon to draw to a close for this term. We are presently laying plans for our return to the States and will begin itineration in April next year. We look forward to sharing in person with as many of you as we can what is happening here in Zambia from about April 2008 to March 2009. If you have a specific time during that year when you would like us to come, such as a missions convention, etc., please contact us by e-mail or write to the address listed above. We are looking forward to sharing with you and your church what God is doing in this very ripe harvest field!

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