

Dear brothers and sisters,

Crossing the river went well. There were hiccups along the way, but in the end we shared the gospel with many people. Five boreholes were put in. I learned a lot, watching John teach the villagers in fun, interactive and applicable ways. These are a people without hope. They live for births, initiations, marriages and deaths. They celebrate each for days or weeks. Apart from these, every day is the same, and many people do not even work the fields in the dry season, they just under a tree passing time. What do we live for? The bible tells us we are to be soldiers in God's army (2 Tim 2:4), and God has a position of authority for each of us in his Kingdom.



Our team



John and Davy praying over people



One of the boreholes



Child neglect means little ones care for littler ones



Jesus film

When John wasn't teaching, Davy went through the bible picture flipchart chronologically, explaining each story and posing questions. Here in western Zambia, its cultural for much of the village to gather together in one place and listen. This makes evangelism easy. But there are other bad influences to contend with, like Jehovah's Witnesses (who teach Jesus is not God) or New Apostolics (who teach it's okay to go on sinning) or the Prosperity Gospel. Follow-up is just as important as the initial evangelism. The "Look, Listen and Live" series is made for this. Davy will continue to cross back over the river, discipling the young sapling Christians. The goal is to find one or more trustworthy individuals to take the audio player and flipcharts and use them to teach in each village. They don't need seminary education, just a willing, born-again spirit.



Davy using the "Look, Listen and Live" bible story flip chart



My best friends

Pray for the Lord to raise up these individuals.

Pray also for the recording of "Look, Listen and Live". After many weeks of translating and proofreading the scripts we are ready to begin recording this Saturday.

Pray for no rain or wind, so the recording environment will be quiet.

Pray also for good native speakers who read well, and their schedules to work with ours.

God willing, I will return to California November 22<sup>nd</sup> and stay until February. I'm excited to see everybody!

In Christ,

Joel