No. 82 – 09 February 2013

Dear friends and family!

We are getting plenty of rain and Zambia is beautiful at the moment! The water level of the Zambezi is rising by the day and we just stand in awe to see all these tonnes of water rushing by every day!

Projects and personal:

We were warned on different occasions that we would find it difficult to penetrate the Western Province with the Gospel because the Lozi-tribe is not very keen on outsiders, but it is just amazing how God used a water pump to give us a foothold in the area.

You would remember that two workers were looking after the camp when we arrived here but they had been dismissed by the police soon after, after a number of mattresses were taken from the chalets. Pollin, one of the workers, and also the grandson of the local headman, seems to like and trust us, and told us that the thieves are coming back for more after the water pump had been stolen two days before. After a few attempts to get the police involved we decided to ambush the thieves ourselves but God had something totally different in mind for the thieves as well as for us. When we got the names of the three thieves our very first reaction was to take them straight to the police but Pollin said we should think twice now, because the villagers would not take kindly to us if we do that. So we confronted the three guys and gave them the two options of either returning our water pump or to be taken to the police. Needless to say they returned our pump and asked for forgiveness and we invited them back to the camp where we had prepared a meal for them in the meantime. The three guys were understandably not very keen to get into our vehicle because they were still thinking we would take them to the police. Some of the villagers as well as the local headman followed us back to Nina because they wanted to see what we would do to these guys. Great were their surprise when they found us all seated around a

Liewe vriende en familie!

Dit reën bykans elke dag en Zambië is baie mooi en baie groen! Die watervlak van die rivier styg ook elke dag en dit bly net verstommend om te sien hoeveel tonne water elke dag daar verby vloei.

Projekte en persoonlik:

Ons is uit verskeie oorde gewaarsku dat ons dit moeilik gaan vind om deur die Lozi's hier in die Westelike Provinsie aanvaar te word omdat hulle nie baie toegenëe is teenoor vreemdelinge nie, en ons staan nou nog in verwondering oor hoe wonderbaarlik die Here die diefstal van 'n waterpomp gebruik het om 'n deur vir ons oop te maak na die Lozi-mense.

Julle sal onthou dat daar in die begin twee werkers was wat die kamp moes oppas, maar nadat daar 'n diefstal was, het die polisie almal verbied om naby Nina te kom. Een van die werkers, Pollin, wat ook die hoofman se kleinseun is, is ons baie goedgesind en het kom sê dat die diewe weer gaan toeslaan, nadat ons waterpomp twee dae tevore gesteel is. Na baie planne maak en probeerslae om die polisie betrokke te kry het Lourie en die seuns besluit om self 'n lokval te stel maar die diewe het ontsnap, gelukkig die keer met leë hande. Die Here het toe 'n heel ander plan in gedagte gehad het vir ons en die diewe! Ons het name in die hande gekry en die diewe gaan konfronteer. Ons eerste reaksie was om hulle aan te kla by die polisie maar Pollin sê ons moet nou mooi dink. As ons hulle polisie toe neem sal die gemeenskap ons as die vyand sien. 'n Ultimatum is aan die drie diewe gestel, hulle kon kies, of die polisie, of hulle bring die waterpomp terug…? Lourie het die drie toe gaan oplaai, maar die villagers was baie bekommerd oor die feit dat ons hulle terugneem Nina toe. Hulle het gaan alarm maak by die hoofman en 'n hele klomp van sy "village" het saamgekom om te kom kyk wat ons nou met die diewe wil doen. Intussen het ek en die seuns 'n maaltyd gemaak en die tafel gedek.

huge table enjoying a meal together. We invited them all to join us and we ended up having 25-people around the table. The headman used the opportunity to give these guys a good tongue-lashing and when he was done I told them all that we have come to be friends. Afterwards the headman said to me that we have taught them all a big lesson tonight. He said that although these guys have stolen from you, you still gave them the high chair at your table. I said to him: "Mr headman, it is not us, only God could do that!" Glory to God! It is just amazing how God used a water pump to show His love to these people and how they accepted us after that. Pollin is even now taking Benjamin, the young missionary, deep into the villages to introduce him to the villagers.

Thanks to the home group from Dubai for helping two of our children to attend the discipleship training.

Prayer requests:

- We thank God for the safe release from prison of our friend.
- Thank God for helping all the children to find places at different colleges.
- Thank God for using a water pump to show His love.
- We thank God for your continuing love and support. This is and always will be HIS project!

Please follow us on facebook or visit our web site: www.kanjanji.com

Remember to send your verse of scripture for the bricks. Text it to 00260977867125

Many blessings from Africa.

Lourie and Gisela

childrensvillage@kanjanji.com / **www.kanjanji.com**
www.facebook.com/Kanjanji
✉ P.O. Box 5, Sesheke, Zambia

Kelvin and Benjamin ion a mission

William and Cholwe off to college

Die plan was om die diewe saam met ons te laat eet nadat hulle vergifnis gevra het. Die villagers klop toe met mening aan die deur en groot was die verrassing en verbasing op hulle gesigte toe hulle ons gemoedelik saam om die tafel sien eet. Ons moes toe natuurlik die "gaste" ook nooi om saam te eet waarna die hoofman sy spreekbeurt waargeneem het om die diewe 'n skrobbering te gee! Die hoofman sê toe na die tyd dat ons hulle almal vanaand 'n groot lewensles geleer het, dat nadat hierdie mense van julle gesteel het het julle liefde vir hulle gewys deur hulle 'n ereplek aan julle tafel te gee! Ek sê: "Nee, hoofman, nie ons nie, net God kan dit doen!" Alle eer aan God! Dit was 'n wonderlike geleentheid waar die mense die liefde van Jesus kon ervaar en Pollin is nou so aangespoor dat hy vir Benjamin, die sendeling, vergesel na die villages om hom bekend te stel aan die mense.

Baie dankie aan die Dubai-selgroep wat twee van ons kinders help om die dissipelskapkursus by te woon.

Gebedsversoeke:

- Se saam dankie dat ons vriend eindelik vrygelaat is! Dat die kinders almal geholpe is by kolleges en skole.
- Dat die Here 'n waterpomp gebruik om mense bymekaar
- te bring.
- Dat Hy in mense se harte werk om betrokke te wees en bly! Dit is en bly SY projek!

En onthou asb. om jul bybelversies te stuur vir die stene! Text dit na 0026 0977867125

Volg ons asb op FB of besoek ons opgedateerde webwerf www.kanjanji.com

Seën uit Afrika

Gisela en Lourie

childrensvillage@kanjanji.com / **www.kanjanji.com**
www.facebook.com/Kanjanji
✉ P.O. Box 5, Sesheke, Zambië

Kanjanji
Orphan Project