Dear friends and family

We wish you all a wonderful and blessed 2016! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and that Jesus was the centre of it …He is still the BIGGEST gift ever! It is hard to believe that we have been living in Zambia for more than eight years now. It is lush and green here on the western bank of the Zambezi although we have not had much rain yet and a lot of people are facing hunger. We are lending a hand where possible but it is heart-breaking to see with how little these people must get by. Maize meal, which is the staple diet in Africa, is hard to come by at the moment because of such a high demand and the few shops which sell maize meal, have long queues and they are limiting buyers to one bag of maize per person. All the villagers around us have already planted maize but the rains have not arrived yet. Even our gardens demand more water than the 15 000 litre per day which our solar power system can supply.

Brigitte Neucom from Switzerland also came to visit for two weeks. It is now her second visit to Zamulimu in two years and she came all the way from Switzerland to spend Christmas with us and the children. Brigitte is a qualified nurse and her skills are very handy when it comes to all the injuries we have to attend to.

Some of the children also be joined us for Christmas. Cholwe and William have also finished their third year teacher's diplomas in the last couple of weeks. We thank God that two more children are now qualified to fend for themselves in life! These two boys will now assist at our local schools in the coming year while Kelvin will be doing his third year teacher's practice at Sesheke High School. Zulu will start his first year teacher's diploma at Nkana College and Coster, who finished his teacher's diploma quite recently, send us the good news that he has received his first month's salary as a new teacher. Praise the Lord!!!

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Happy new year from all of us!

Lourie with some of our boys On Christmas eve

Liewe vriende en familie,
Voorspoedige 2016 vir almal van julle! Ons vertrou julle het almal n wonderlike Kersfees gehad! Ons kan byna nie glo dat ons nou al meer as 8-jaar in Zambië is nie! Hier op die westelike oewer van die Zambezi is die wêreld lowergroen desondanks die feit dat ons nog bykans geen reën tot nou toe gehad nie en hongersnood staar baie mense in die oë! Ons help waar ons moontlik kan maar dis hartverskeurend om te sien met hoe min die mense oor die weg moet kom. Die mieliemeel in Sesheke is ook nou al vir meer as 'n maand moeilik bekombaar en die enkele punte waar meel somtyds beskikbaar is word daar net een sak meel per persoon verkoop. Die mense om ons in die villages het nou al saad in die grond maar daar was nou vir die afgelope twee weke geen reën nie. Ons moet self elke dag water pomp om die water in die opgaartenks aan te vul omdat ons tuine meer water benodig as die 15 000-liter wat die sonkrag lewer.

Tans kuier Brigtte Neucom ook by ons. Sy is al die pad van Switserland en dis nou haar tweede besoek aan Zamulimu in twee jaar en sy het spesiaal Zambië toe gekom om Kersfees saam met ons te kom deurbring. Brigitte is 'n gekwalifiseerde verpleegster en haar kennis kom handig te pas met al die ongevalle wat ons moet hanteer.

Van ons kinders was saam met ons oor die Kerstyd. Cholwe en William het die afgelope paar dae hulle finale eksamens geskryf om te kwalifiseer as onderwysers. Ons sê dankie Here dat nog twee weeskinders nou op hulle eie voete sal kan staan. Die twee sal volgende jaar hier by ons plaaslike skole onderwys gee terwyl Kelvin by Sesheke Hoërskool sy derde jaar onderwysprakties sal doen. Zulu begin sy eerste jaar onderwysstudies by Nkana Kollege vroeg volgende jaar en Coster, wat sy onderwysdiploma nou onlangs voltooi het, het ons gister laat weet dat hy sy heel eerste salaritjek gister ontvang het. Prys die Here man!

Thanks to everyone who keeps supporting the project. This project has now made it possible for eight children in total to obtain diplomas in tertiary education. This is apart from the more than 700 younger orphans that were impacted by this project. It is just amazing to see the joy when an orphan's life is changed by this project!

Prayer requests:

- We pray for an amazing year full of blessings!
- We also pray for an abundant harvest of souls for the Kingdom!
- Please pray for good rains – the hunger and poverty is devastating.
- Thank God for providing the funds to buy maize meal, and also bibles in the Lozi-language.
- Thank God for everyone's support of this project. There are so many of you working behind the scenes, we want to thank you again and we want to remind you yet again that our Farther in heaven sees your heart and will reward you in due season!

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Love and blessings from the heart of Africa.

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Foster and the orphans as shepherds

Cholwe and William qualified as teachers

Baie dankie ook aan almal van julle wat die projek bly ondersteun. Hierdie projek het dit nou al in totaal vir 8-kinders moontlik gemaak om naskoolse diplomas te verwerf. Dit is nou behalwe die meer as 700 weeskinders wat by hierdie projek gebaat het. Dis regtig wonderlik om die vreugde te sien wanneer 'n weeskind se lewe verander word deur 'n projek soos diè.

Gebedsversoeke:

- Ons bid almal n wonderlike, geseende jaar toe!
- Ons bid vir oorvloedige siele in die Koningkryk!
- Bid asb. saam vir reën... ons mense se mielies staan en verdroog!!.
- Ons sê dankie vir die skenkings wat dit moontlik gemaak het om die Lozi-bybels aan te koop!
- Sê saam dankie vir almal se volgehoue betrokkenheid by die projek. Daar is soveel van julle wat agter die skerms werk en waarvoor ons nie altyd hier kan dankie sê nie, maar weet dat julle vergoeding nie by mense is nie, maar by ons Vader, wat ALLES weet en sien.

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