

Christmas 2008

Do you remember our three sons from way back in 1987-88, when they were in grade school, as we prepared to go to Africa for the first time? We thought you might like to see what Paul, John, and Joel, along with their families, look like today. We are so proud of all of them! We were really blessed to get to celebrate Thanksgiving together with them. The following picture was taken that evening.

Top Row (L to R): Kristie & Paul Shari & John Heather & Joel



Bottom Row: Dawn & John with John & Shari's sons, Joshua, Isaac, & Benjamin, and Paul & Kristie's daughter, Chasmine

We miss Zambia and are anxious to get back as soon as possible. However, we have also been looking forward to this holiday season here in America. Being thousands of miles away from family is one of the hardest parts of being a missionary, and so we are enjoying every opportunity we get during this year of itineration to spend time with our relatives.

Though it means we have to spend time away from our family, we are glad God called us to Africa. We consider it a privilege to serve Christ in this way. It gives us great joy seeing His church in Zambia growing as thousands find Jesus as their Lord and Savior. At Christmas we remember the birth of Jesus and how He came to die so that we might spend eternity with our Heavenly Father. But Jesus came so that ALL mankind might have the opportunity to experience eternal life. Jesus has commissioned all of us to be involved in "making disciples of all nations."

Thank you for partnering with us in training workers to bring in the harvest of those Christ came for in the nation of Zambia! May the Lord bless you and yours throughout the coming year.



