



Zambia Lusaka Mission



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Dear Elders and Sisters,

We have had the great honor of being called of God by prophecy and ordained and set apart to do this holy work. I congratulate you as a mission for how well we are doing collectively. Each of us makes our own contributions to the work we accomplish collectively and in so doing, can become more, the disciple Christ would have us become.

As it stands right now, however, in our mission we are fulfilling the substance of —**DOCTRINE AND COVENANTS 112:21-22**

“And again, I say unto you, that whosoever ye shall send in my name, by the voice of your brethren, the Twelve, duly recommended and authorized by you, shall have power to open the door of my kingdom unto any nation whithersoever ye shall send them— “Inasmuch as they shall humble themselves before me, and abide in my word, and hearken to the voice of my Spirit”

We have been sent in the name of Christ by the voice of the Twelve. Our call is to declare this divine work with humility, abiding in His word and hearkening to the Spirit.

Building upon this commission, on Sunday, March 13, the Church will embark on a worldwide initiative that begins with the Easter season and continues for the next several months, employing the hashtag #Hallelujah and including the website FollowHim.mormon.org. This emphasis focuses on our witness to the world that Jesus Christ completed His earthly mission and lives today. Because He lives, we have access to hope, joy, peace, repentance and eternal life as we heed His call to “come, follow me.”

I invite your full participation in this event beginning with the two-week period between March 13 and Easter Sunday, March 27, and then into the months that follow. Easter is an ideal time to begin conversations about the Atonement and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Additional materials to support the objectives of this initiative will be forthcoming.

May you feel connected to this worldwide effort and blessed by the message itself; that Jesus is the Risen Lord, the Redeemer, the Christ, is my prayer for you and for me.

With loving regards,

President Erickson

Positive people are faith-full. They see every obstacle, not only as a challenging mountain to climb and conquer, but as an opportunity to grow and become stronger, better, healthier persons. When faced with an obstacle they don't tell God how big their problems are. They tell their problems how big their God is!”

Last month president's message to us all was one of being optimistic and hopeful and positive.

Personally, I loved reading it over again and again and pondering on how I can be a more positive, faith-full person and therefore be a better disciple of Jesus Christ. I notice how much happier I am when I can lay my burdens at the Lord's feet, cheerfully do all I can that lies in my power, and then...as the scripture says in D&C 123:17...Stand still, with the utmost assurance, to see the salvation of God, and for his arm to be revealed.

Elder Neil L. Anderson admonished us when he was here in Lusaka that we should be excited about building the kingdom. We should feel the joy of watching the church be established in a land and time that will receive the Savior again in His Glory! He cited Alma 32:41-43 and promised that blessings and miracles will happen as we increase our faith, diligence and patience!

Sisters and Elders...how blessed we all are to be serving as full time missionaries NOW! We are helping to build the Lord's kingdom together and that is a noble and high calling that requires the best of us. We will all face daily challenges....when we meet these hurdles with an increase of faith, diligence and patience the Lord will sustain us. He is our rock. He is our Savior. He is our friend.

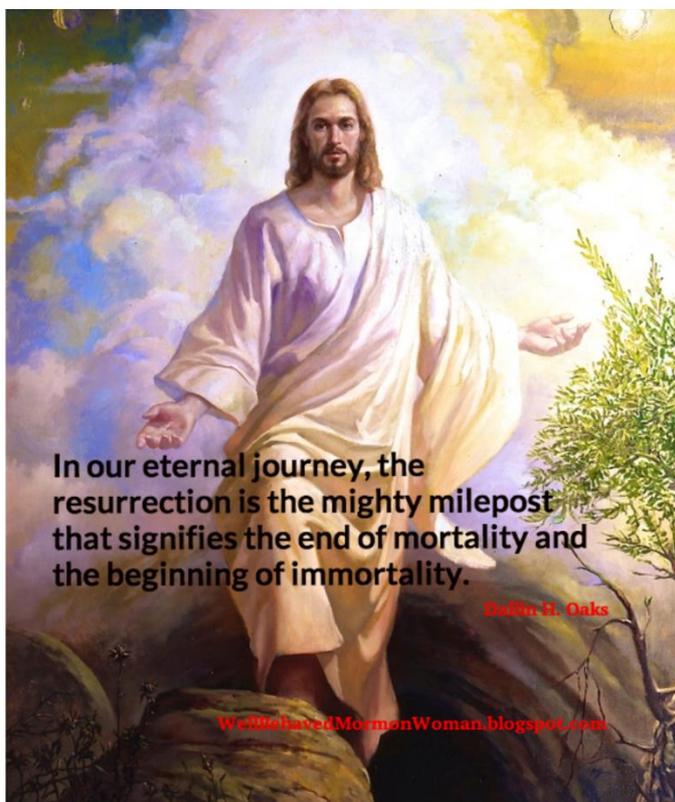
All my love

Sister Erickson



- 1 March Elder Shabalala
- 4 March Sister Erickson
- 7 March Elder Majekodunmi
- 8 March Elder Salmon
- 14 March Elder Kabisa
- 14 March Elder Chiliza
- 16 March Sister Andriamamonjisoa
- 17 March Elder Duncan
- 21 March Sister Hull
- 22 March Elder Hiltbrand

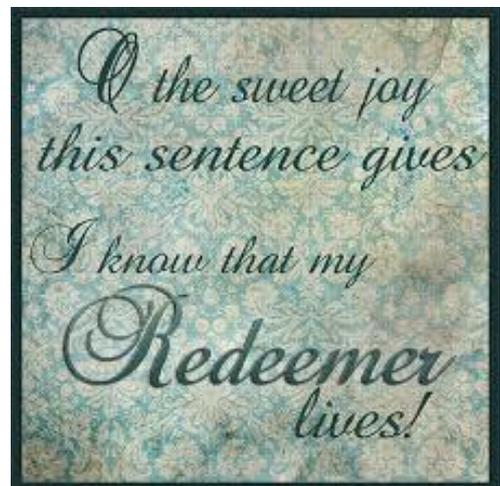
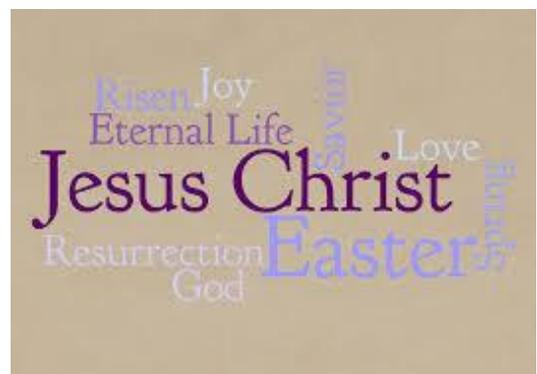
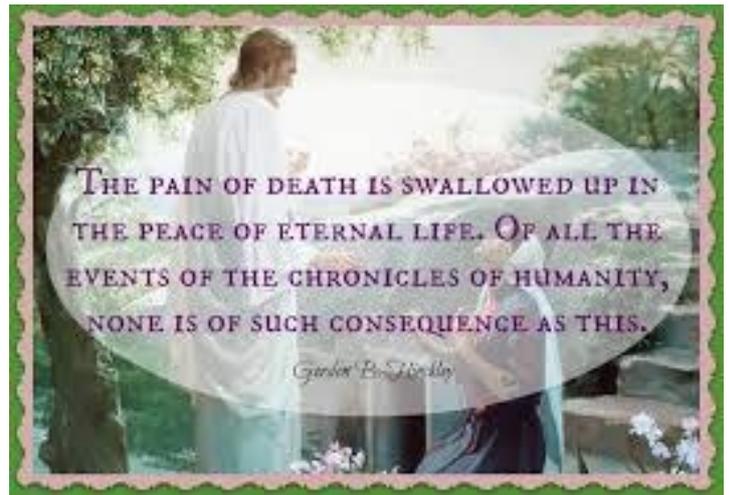
Easter is March 27



The greatest events of history are those that affect the greatest number of people for the longest periods. By this standard, no event could be more important to individuals or nations than the resurrection of the Master.

The literal resurrection of every soul who has lived and died on earth is a certainty, and surely one should make careful preparation for this event. A glorious resurrection should be the goal of every man and woman, for resurrection will be a reality. . . .

His literal resurrection means that life does not end at death, for He promised: "Because I live, ye shall live also." (John 14:19) — President Ezra Taft Benson, "The Meaning of Easter," *Ensign*, April 1992, pp. 2-4



NOTE: Please use the following number to contact the Office Elders: 0976 729 104. Thank you!

A BIG ZAMBIAN Welcome



We welcome Sister Newey (Utah), Elder Ernst (Utah), Elder Gova (Zimbabwe), and Elder Lewis (Washington)

Farewell and Best Wishes



Sister Solomone returned to Kiribati on February 29th.
We wish her well.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT FUND INFORMATION

To get the maximum amount of missionary support funds, use these calculations and only make one withdrawal per pay period. The same principle applies for Malawi, but figures will vary. Please note the amount you can withdraw changes every pay period. Budget wisely.

910	Check your balance at the ATM (no charge)
<u>-30</u>	Subtract bank fees (Read your Bank Statement for details in weekly email from ECCCards@ldschurch.org)
880	Available
850	Round down to nearest 50 (smallest bill the machine gives) -Withdraw this amount
30	Remaining balance
940	Next allotment plus balance (910+30)
<u>-30</u>	Fees
910	Round down
900	Withdraw
10	Remaining balance

If you have questions, please call. But please check your email bank statement before calling. Thanks. Elder Groesbeck

Baptisms



Want to see yourself in the baptisms section of the monthly newsletter? Email us your pictures at the office at 1461788@ldschurch.org

A Visit by an Apostle!!!

Elder Neil L. Andersen visited the Lusaka Stake to provide leadership training for all Stake and Branch leaders from Zambia and Malawi. He and his sweet wife, Kathy, along with the Africa Southeast Area President, Elder Cook and wife, Lynette, Elder Ellis and wife, KK, and Elder Mdletshe and wife, Cynthia, took time in the afternoon to visit with the missionaries. What a choice experience we had as we were taught by an apostle of the Lord, Jesus Christ! He reminded us that we know more about Jesus Christ than any other entity on earth and we need to share that testimony at all times. As we do so, others will come to know the truths of the restored gospel and the church will grow here. These things all work together in getting a temple closer to the Zambian saints. He encouraged us to follow the scripture in Alma 32:43

43 Then, my brethren, ye shall reap the rewards of your **faith**, and your **diligence**, and **patience**, and long-suffering, waiting for the tree to bring forth fruit unto you.

We were reminded to be faithful, diligent and patient as we work for church growth here and wait for a closer temple to be announced in Africa.



Woodlands District



Lilanda District



Lusaka District



Chainama District



Senior Couples



Matero District