

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

April 2009

Dear family, friends, and former students,

As you read this, please join us in praising the Lord for all the wonderful things that He has done! "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable." Psalm 145:3 Again the psalmist says, "the Lord is my light and my strength", Psalm 27:1. Isaiah the prophet exclaims, "This is the Lord, we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." Isaiah 25:9

There are so many things to be thankful for this term it is hard to think where to begin. We have seen God answer our prayers in unexpected ways and we have come to appreciate that His timing is always the best! We are thankful for the way in which the new students have settled into the routines of Sakeji life so quickly. We are thankful for those who are here temporarily to help us in the many responsibilities at Sakeji Mission School; particularly, Lizu Chinyama, Tara-Jo Deagle, and Kimberly Kaulback. Lizu and Tara-Jo have been a big help again in classes, and organizing activities for the students. Kimberly has been here as a student teacher in the Grade Three and Four classes. Mrs. Loudon has also been at Sakeji this term as the Grade Five and Six home room teacher. Mr. Loudon continues riding his motorbike back and forth from Kalene in order to fulfill his responsibilities with CMML Flight Service. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Sr. have also joined us for a term and they too, have been a huge help.

Continue in prayer for all of us here too. We have been praying and looking to the Lord to supply more teachers and other staff as is needed. Our prayer is that the Lord would supply the right people at the right time. We continue to wait on the Lord, and in doing so find the necessary strength to carry on with duties as the Lord leaves us here to serve Him. Pray that we may all serve Him with joy. Please pray for the children here at Sakeji for the salvation and growth in the things of the Lord. They have heard once more the clear gospel message, "that whosoever believes, will not perish, but have eternal life."

Thank you again for your prayerful interest and support of us here.

On behalf of all the Sakeji staff,

Mark Ronald



Above: The grade 1-2 handwork class. They made pillows that day.

Term 1, 2009

Sakeji Bush Talk

HALF TERM HAPPENINGS

Half term at Sakeji was capital G-R-E-A-T great! We got to do tons of fun stuff, and not to forget no school for two whole days. Yahoo! Supreme fun right on the dot! We got to play with our friends, have computers, watch video four days in a row, move our beds around, get sweets and have lots of swimming fun...

~Chigomezyo Kawonga, Gr. 8



Above and Below: Smiling swimmers at half term

YOU ARE ALWAYS THERE

When my heart's gonna tear
You're the only One who's near.
You're the only One who can understand
As You reach out Your hand.
Lord, with Your help I can be,
Bigger, better, stronger for Thee.
When it gets hard to bear
You're always, always there.
'Cuz You're my real Best Friend
Your love will never end.
When I think that nobody cares,
You're always, always there.
You're always there for me,
'Cuz You're the only One who truly can see.
~Julie Loudon, Gr. 8

CATS

Why do cats lick their hair?
And why do they leave it everywhere?
Don't they understand how it feels,
To sit for hours on end and peel
Some stubborn hairs off one's sock heel?
~Mukuka Puta, Gr. 7



PUPPY DOGS



Did Mom buy me a dog? Oh how fun dogs are to play with! God gave them to us to have fun. So if you don't have things to play with, play with dogs! A dog is not only to play with, but remember that you can use them to hunt. Enjoy them as much as you like. Going to find some thief, he will help. Oh how good they are. Oh how happy and thankful I am. Daddy, Daddy, buy me a dog! ~ Ezekiel Matunka, Gr. 5

Above: The proud owners of Frankie's puppies. Below: Senior girls birthday party smiles.

Puppies are so weak and so wonderful! Do you want me to tell you a story about puppies? I had a puppy that my uncle gave me. It was a house dog. But it was too small. It was black with a white back. It was so fluffy. I named it Snoopy. It had a fat face. It had two brothers and one sister. It was born in Kafue. It was cute. But something very bad happened. It died. I cried and cried.

~Julius Musumali, Gr. 3

IT IS GREAT TO HAVE A BROTHER OR SISTER ~AN ESSAY

It is great to have a brother or sister. This is because they keep you company, share your childhood, and they help you. I really love my brother A.J. The first reason I think its great to have one is because they keep you company. You play games that are very exciting, and you also talk to each other a lot, sometimes arguing. Also, if your parents die, you still can love your brother or sister. The second reason it's great to have a brother or sister is to share your childhood. You can share your toys and play with them. You also learn to have lots of fun. And you don't always cry at everything. The third reason is that they help you. If you get stuck on a game, they can help you. They also agree with you on certain foods. They also help you persuade your parents. It is great to have a brother or sister. This is because they keep you company, share your childhood, and help you. I wish my sister was still alive.

~Daniel Weilandt, Gr. 5



SILK

Smooth to the hands and body.
Ideal to the eyes of China Long, like smooth snakes.
Keeps your body cool on a hot day.

~Lemekani Soko, Gr. 6



SNATCHES FROM OUR ZAMBIAN BIRTHDAY BASH !

On Birthday Party we ate chips, chicken, cake and ice-cream, and it was delicious food! The theme of Birthday Party was Zambia. One of the plays only Josh Mast and Ezekiel did was about football. Josh was a famous football player and Ezekiel was Grandma Football and she did some skills for us and that was the end of that show...
~Kudakwashe Zulu, Gr. 3

...Birthday party was great because we had lots of funny and interesting skits. One was about the presidents, former president, and Sata, who had a contest (because they all wanted to be presidents). One of the contests was who could carry a stool on their heads without dropping it. Sata won that contest.

~Milembo Lukama, Gr. 5

...Birthday party was fun because of the songs. One of the songs was sung by the grades one and two. They sang "Red, Yellow, Black and White". Another song was sung by my class. We sang Jerusalem. Grade seven and eight also sang a song called "Welcome to Zambia."

~Benjamin Ferguson, Gr. 6

...Birthday party is great because of the decorations. There were posters of lizards and pineapples. There were also balloons on the roof. And there were lots of animal and people drawings.

~Nissi Kaumba, Gr.6

SAKEJI SCHOOL

My school is a great school. School is great because we have library, we have ice cream, and we have river time. I wish the grades could go higher.

Firstly, my school is a great school because we have library books. There are books that have adventures and are fun to enjoy. We can also read fiction books because they are interesting books. Our library also includes biographies which help you recall the past.

Secondly, it is a great school because we have ice-cream. There are flavors like coffee which have a lasting taste. Grape is also a nice flavor because it tastes delicious! I also like strawberry because it has an enjoyable taste.

Thirdly, my school is a great school because we have river time. When we go swimming the water feels cold at times. We also go fruit hunting near the river so we can get good fruit that tastes great. During river time, we also go playing in the river, and it looks and feels cold.

In conclusion, my school is a great school because we get library books, we get yummy ice-cream, and we have river time. I enjoy school, do you?

~Priscilla Mwale, Gr. 6



Upper left: Mr. & Mrs. Loudon and Naomi at the birthday party. Above: Watela.