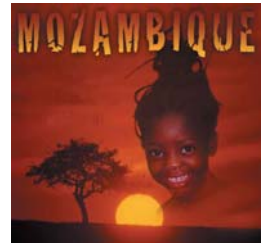


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This past month has been one of expanding our borders as we ventured to our third continent

south of the equator.

While our office in Australia buzzed with preparation for upcoming prayer and construction trips, and while Emma and the Moz team were busy in Africa painting, digging, bailing and ministering in very unseasonal rain, Sandra was in South America establishing important contacts for future missionaries.

Again we thank the Lord who gives us the strength and wisdom to fulfil His call.

BRAZIL



Sandra returned from Mozambique and Brazil this month.

The purpose for her trip to Brazil was to establish contacts among the mission

training centres there, ultimately to recruit trained Portuguese speaking missionaries to work, serving the Lord long term in Mozambique.

The trip was a success in terms of the many Divine connections that Sandra made.

Sandra travelled by bus throughout Brazil; alone apart from God. (This should not be tried by everyone) and



spoke at mission centres and shared the vision and work taking place in Mozambique.

"If I could put Brazil into one word it would be the word "massive".

Every city I visited extended for miles and not just Sao Paulo (the capital city – population 17,000,000); I mean every city I visited.

My trip to Brazil was both exciting and scary but God went before as always.

In total I visited 7 mission training centres. One of the main contacts was with a Bible college in Belos Horizonte named "Ministry of Faith" that has 220 students and it is attached to a church of 25,000 people. The church is highly mission orientated and we have now set up a long lasting connection between the Bible College and Mozambique Outreach.

After sharing with the students in class, they were so hungry for more information on how they could serve God in Africa.



Sandra speaking at a Bible College in Montes Carlos

It is amazing how Brazil is a developing nation itself and yet the people are so eager to serve God on the mission field."

The immediate response to Sandra's trip is a woman missionary ready to go to Mozambique next February. There are many who will be in contact with us while they continue to complete their studies – in preparation for the field.

"Mozambique Outreach needs people to put their hand up and say "YES" to God and go and serve in Mozambique. If YOU or anyone you know may be interested in going to Mozambique for some time, please call me on 0402238344 or please email sandra@mozoutreach.org.

Blessings to all!"

YWAM TEAM IN BEIRA

From Leil – team leader

"Well our time in Beira rocked. We did heaps of evangelism with open airs and the harvest is ripe let me tell ya! We saw over 200 salvations!



Tent city in Boane

It is hilarious, because what we do here would be so different if done in the Western world. We just rock up to some village, all 15 of us crammed into one 3-seater truck, jump out, set up our speaker and just go for it! We dance, we sing and do our dramas, along with



The famous pit latrine under construction

preaching and testimonies and the entire village gathers around, its such a blessing! We have really sensed open hearts to the message here, they are hungry for God.

Our first few days were spent on the compound tilling up the ground in preparation to plant a garden for those that live there. It was cool because we noticed the soil was really rich and moist and was quite easy to dig and God showed us that because of all the previous work done here the hearts of the people (good soil) are ready for seeds and some for harvest!



We painted the accommodation block, it sure needed a good few coats of paint. I think this building had suffered through the Mozambique civil war and needs some TLC, if ya know what I mean. We are currently living in there, which has been a full-on blessing and a sure step up from our tents in Boane...



Horror Bus Ride

So on Monday afternoon we headed off for south Mozambique, Maputo...and I have to say we experienced a once in a life time bus ride from Beira to Maputo. It was meant to be a 20 hour express bus trip with no stops....that is a bit of a joke in Mozambique. We drove for the first 6 hours with random stops here and

there and then the driver decided to pull over on the side of the road and sleep for 5.5 hours! So we said "no worries" we'll catch some zzzz's ourselves well that wasn't really an option in these seats that two people share but are meant for one and all the random yelling going on in the bus between the front and the back of the bus.

Ok so 4:30am we get going again and we made it another 7 hours when we noticed the bus driver had pulled off to the side of the road and was asking us all to get out. So numb and tired we packed up everything and got off and on to another bus with a totally smashed front windscreen...this window was on its last legs let me tell ya!

We started up again and the window shards were shaking everywhere and falling out, it was nuts. So they pulled over and climbed a tree to get some branches to use as a support for the window...it was a comedy show...we didn't know whether to laugh or cry. And to make matters worse at about 12pm it began to rain!!!! We drove for 4 hours getting rained on and blown on, it was chilly to say the least.

Praise the Lord we made it safe and sound into Maputo at 6pm (4 hours late) that next day. It was an experience I know none of us will forget.

God did many things in the lives of those we worked with and the people we visited and in that He has changed all of our hearts forever. We can truly say we will never be the same again!

Testimonies from team members

John Hiebert

My time was amazing. God showed up, I got to preach the word of God to the village people and hundreds of people received



Jesus. The Holy Spirit really taught me a lot from the word which helped me to be more bold and spontaneous when preaching to big crowds. God does reign in Mozambique.

Joyce Mokis

The highlight of my trip most defiantly would be living in and building the compound in Boane. I loved being able to live in the village

amongst the Mozambicans and learn their way of life. I really learned to appreciate the Mozambican culture. The people were



so open and hungry for the baptism in the Holy Spirit and that's what they received.

One of the witchdoctors of the village came to our doorstep and received salvation. God blew my mind with all the healings and salvations that we saw - He never ceases to amaze me. Go was with us through our whole experience in Mozambique and my experience was better than I ever expected.

**MozAID
TAX DEDUCTIBILITY A REALITY**

After a lengthy 3 year process, Robin Coulson, one of our tireless directors has been able to obtain the status of tax deductibility within Australia for much of

the developmental work we are doing in Mozambique.



We had to start an incorporated ministry called MozAID Inc. to manage this. MozAID will now handle all of our developmental work (education, Microenterprise etc), and enable people to give tax deductible gifts towards certain projects.

This has been a great break though. Thank you Lord.

Until next month God Bless you
Greg, Jay and family

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