

CHANDE NEWSLETTER

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EVENTS CALENDAR

December 18: Fundraiser for and informational gathering about Chande for the students and families of Graham Road Elementary School.

February 23-28, 2009: Lindsay McCullough photography project at Chande, Graham Road | Chande project. More info on this in the next edition.

March 16-27, 2009: College Heights and Crosshaven churches at Chande.

March 22-April 5, 2009: Inglewood Baptist at Chande

PRAYER REQUESTS

Ms. Vivian's elder sister passed away Dec. 9.

FRIENDS TO FRIENDS

From Lindsay McCullough, McLean Baptist Church – December 18, 2008:

The *Friends of Chande* began in late 2007 as an effort to inform and coordinate efforts by individuals and churches in the United States to the benefit of Chande. This is the first edition of the Chande Newsletter. It is meant to be a line of communication between 'Friends' and those who support Chande in prayer and otherwise. As the organizer for the newsletter, my goal is to see editions created as frequently as every month. Please send your notes for the next addition, email contacts for those who should be included in the broadcast of each edition, and any thoughts on the newsletter itself to [lindsay](mailto:lindsay@friendsofchande.org) . Merry Christmas!

From Pastor Patrick Chanda, Chamboli and Ndeke Churches, Zambia – May 2008:

Dear friends of Chande this message serves to inform you of the new developments since our last meeting at Mclean Baptist Church in Washington DC. The management have been watching with great interest and we are very encouraged by the overwhelming support you have rendered to the orphanage ministry which we are co- partners. We have seen how each group have selflessly given themselves to the advancement of this great ministry, children have made great strides in their school performance and the building is taking a new image and will soon be commissioned. Thank you for remaining faithful dear beloved. I would love to remind each team their role as discussed in our last meeting:

1. Mclean Baptist Church - Rev. Trish Manarin Team Leader –Teacher enrichment and sponsorship
2. Inglewood Baptist Church - Rev. Shawn Bernard, Pastor and Team Leader - Children Sponsorship
3. College Heights Baptist Church - Rev. Mike Cooper, Pastor & Team Leader Building/Construction
4. Chris Oswald and the Crosshaven Church in Illinois - To be assigned
5. King's Grant Baptist Church in Virginia Beach - Rev. Scott Chafee Team Leader

Appointment:

Rev. Shawn Bernard of Inglewood Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas is appointed by the board to open a trust fund for Chande were all cooperating partners will be sending their contributions and he is assigned to look into possible ways of sending money raised to Zambia (Chande Bank Account in Zambia without or with minimal expenses). You are all advised to get in touch with brother Shawn in all future money transactions. This does not limit you to do what you deem best as a team in ensuring that money raised gets to Zambia.

Brick Making Machine:

I'm reliably informed that the College Heights Baptist Church have raised \$8,000 for the Brick Maker, If any of you have raised funds for the machine please let us know. The money need for the purchase of the machine is \$ 24, 000.00.

From Pastor Shawn Barnard, Inglewood Baptist Church, Texas - December 12:

I have almost completed the paperwork to get the account set up for Chande orphanage. Much of what I am awaiting for is documentation from Patrick. Ed is contacting Patrick by phone to communicate to him what is needed for us to complete the process. As of now, each church that wishes to send money to Chande and receive a tax deductible receipt can send it to Inglewood Baptist Church with an specification for the gift, which in turn will be placed in an account that Patrick will be able to draw from beginning in late March. There are still some details that have to be hammered out, but for the most part, almost all is established. I will be talking with Patrick about financial statements and communicating with all who give regarding where and how the money is being spent. Let me know if you have any questions.

From Pastor Scott Chafee, King's Grant Baptist Church, Virginia Beach - December 15:

'Tis the season for giving gifts, and after all, God is the Great Gift-Giver in the first place. But in the midst of the American, commercialized, Santa and sales Christmas season, even during these economic hard times, one family in Virginia Beach is doing something for Chande. Rather than getting gift cards or trying to figure out what our niece and nephew (in middle school) might have on their Christmas lists, this family is donating to the Chande Orphanage Project. The idea is to send the money they would have spent on just another gift through an existing channel of giving... and then when the families get together later this month, there will be a traditional Zambian meal. Afterwards, there will be sharing of information, photos and stories off the Chande website. In an age where money doesn't go as far as it used to, it goes a long way in helping the orphanage. Consider multiplying your investment into the lives of others this Christmas. Even if you are giving gifts to each other, consider matching what you spend on your kids with the wonderful orphans at Chande!

Learn more about financial support for Chande Orphanage by going to the Chande Orphanage website (www.chandekids.org) and click on "Support."

From Pastor Trisha Miller Manarin, McLean Baptist Church, Virginia - December 15

In Wusakili Township outside Kitwe, Zambia, a small miracle is taking place. Amid poverty, disease, and illiteracy, a group of widows are defying the odds and turning around their lives and their children's lives, through a small knitting and tie-dye enterprise. You can find them in a small thatched hut on the grounds of the Chande Orphanage School, producing wonderful textiles that you, too, may now enjoy. When McLean Baptist Church's 2007 Mission Team to Chande encountered these amazing women, a bond formed finding ways for women across the ocean to connect using their craft to better each other's lives!

From Barb Males, McLean Baptist Church, Virginia - December 19

In the fall of 2007, a group of women from very different lives met and grew to be friends, finding that they weren't so different after all. Several widows from the Wusakile Township near Kitwe, Zambia had begun a small weaving and tie-dye business on the grounds of the Chande Orphanage School to help support their families and to fund their children's education. Visiting women from McLean, VA, inspired by the courage and creativity shown by the "Tie-Dye Ladies," took home lengths of the colorful cloth and with other volunteers began sewing it into placemats, tablecloths, napkins and potholders to sell in their community. The proceeds go back to the ladies in Zambia to help support their business. In this way, women from both sides of the Atlantic have built bridges of support and friendship, with each contributing their own value-added component of a lovely finished product

CONTACTS

- The Miller's have returned to the United States after serving in Zambia for 30 years. Jared and Megan have a baby girl born December. She is Elizabeth Annabell Miller.
- To send a note for the next *Chande Newsletter*, send an email to Lindsay McCullough
Please add "Chande Newsletter" in the subject line.