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Dear brethren,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are off to a good start at IBTM for 2012. During the month of February I was privileged to visit with six congregations reporting on our work and seeking to raise new support. Currently we have about \$2,000.00 per month coming in for our Work Fund. Our budget for 2012 is \$4,200.00 per month. These funds are used for part time secretary work, postage for books, Bibles and tracts, books for preacher students and preacher schools, travel expense, printing of tracts song books and other Bible materials, office supplies and the day to day operating of IBTM. Last month we made an appeal for those churches that are supporting us monthly to consider increasing their support in any amount if they could. We are happy to say that three congregations have increased their support. We are very thankful for your increase and we hope that other congregations will be able to increase also.

During the month of February ICOTB picked up nine new students from Africa. We hope to be able to send each of them books and assignments soon. During the month of February we averaged 10 new BCC students each day. We now have 2,562 BCC students from 129 nations. We picked up 290 new BCC students in February. We had 10,988 visits to our website in February. During the past few weeks we have heard of 4 of our BCC students being baptized into Christ. We are working on the details of our mission trip to Zambia in August. At this point all eight that plan to go have purchased their tickets. We are blessed with a good number of excellent men going this year to Zambia. During the first week of March Carolyn and I visited East Tn. School of Preaching during their lectureship on Monday. We had lunch with Rod and Brenda Rutherford and Dave Amos. Rod and Dave will be going with us to Zambia this year. We delivered five wooden communion trays, unassembled to Rod and Dave. We hope to take about thirty five communion trays and several thousand communion cups with us this year to Zambia.

“Go ye into all the world . . .”

Mark 16 :15

We CAN take the Gospel of Christ into all the world . . . if we work together!

These are items that the brethren there always need. Jimmie B. Hill is doing much better now. He is still doing chemo treatments but he plans to go to Zambia this year. Continue to pray for Jimmie.

I am still working to raise the funds needed for our Zambia trip. Many of you may recall in January I listed the goal for the funds that I personally need to raise for this trip. We also hope to be able to send some English Bibles to Zambia before August. There is another project we hope to be able to start and that is the building of a church building in Siamafumba on the same property where Siamafumba School of Biblical Studies is located. Hopefully we can get the building project started this year while we are there. This is a much needed building for the community and for the preacher school there in Siamafumba.

Much good is being done in Siamafumba training gospel preachers and the churches are strong in that area.

My Goals for 2012 Mission Trip to Zambia:

Air fare and travel ins.....	3,000.00
Travel, gas, taxi, visa fees.....	800.00
Travel shots.....	400.00
Food.....	500.00

Tonga Bibles.....	500.00
English Bibles.....	1,000.00
Tracts, English & Tonga	2,500.00
Shipping 100,000 tracts.....	2,500.00
Books for preacher school & libraries	1,040.00
Postage for books & Bibles.....	2,300.00
Bikes for preachers, 100.00 each.....	1,000.00
Food & supplies one year, preacher school...	3,500.00
Transportation for preacher students.....	600.00
Gas money to leave for gospel meetings.....	500.00

Total I am seeking to raise is \$20,140.00.

Of this amount I have raised about \$8,000.00 , almost half of our goal. Several congregations and individuals have helped us in the past and we hope you will be able to help us again this year. Please keep our work in your prayers. Send funds to Rock Valley church of Christ, Attn: Ronald D. Gilbert and mark for “Africa Trip”, P.O. Box 49494, Cookeville, TN 38506.

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Contributions to this work may be sent to:

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