

Two years ago a new company came to our town, [Crafter Truck Centre](#). Their business is motor vehicles, servicing and sales. We got to know the directors over a social afternoon, and when we told them about the college and what we do, they asked us to send them a few students during their industrial attachment (a seven-week work experience that all of our second-year students go through. We find them a company and it gives them an opportunity to get good hands-on experience).



Mike Kabwe & Victor Chowa

Two years ago we sent them 2 students, and since then they ONLY request for our students to work for them. They now employ 3 of our graduates



Crafter Truck centre workshop

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"Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain."  
Psalm 127 v 1 (NIV).

### Much to give thanks for:

- God's faithfulness to Zambia after the good outcome of the election in Sept.
- For the completion of our new workshop (see over).
- For the early rains, and trusting God for a good harvest this season.
- For our faithful and trustworthy Zambian staff.

### Please pray for:

- Our students as they are getting ready to take their final exams.
- For the community here in Ndola, that people may have hunger for God, and that we can shine God's love to the people.
- Protection for us as we travel, especially on the roads.
- Our physical mental and spiritual health.

## The completed new workshop

After much hard work and many hours of input, we now have completed the new workshop.

It is situated just behind our old workshop. It's purpose is to give our students their own space to get hands-on experience, whilst still allowing the commercial business side of things to continue unrestricted in the old workshop. It has allowed us to take more students each year, since before, the old workshop was very crowded.

Heartfelt thanks to the **BEIT TRUST** who donated the money to build it.



## As for the Watts

**We have much to thank the Lord for.** In the middle of September the **Zambian Presidential Elections** took place. It was a very unsettling time for the Zambian people and for us. Our staff warned us that things could get bad, but we did not know what to expect. So we took our boys to school and MFAZ was open for business, only to be told by mid day (Sep 22nd) that there were **riots in town**, some roads were blocked and they were burning cars and tyres. It was a **frightening feeling!** Our boys were at school (10k from where we live) and we knew that we needed to get them home a.s.a.p. whatever risks may be involved. We jumped into the car, and drove to school. By this stage the town centre was virtually deserted; no cars on the roads and only a few people running home. It was a very strange thing to experience, to see our town empty and tyres burning on the roads.

We praise God for He saw us safely there and back. Once we got home we sent our students and staff home and we locked the gate and waited to see how things would develop. Everywhere was **SO** quiet, we didn't even hear the local shebeen that evening! there were no cars on the roads, no people walking, it was eerie.

At 12:30am I woke up to the most strange noise as if a mob of people were coming towards our house, I got on the walkie talkie and asked our night guard what was going on. He replied "**Madam don't worry. Our people are celebrating. Mr. Sata is our new president!**" And since then peace has returned to our nation. Praise God!

## RACING ALL AROUND

**The last 6 months** have been a time of getting busy, getting fit and getting around!!

This Oct. Joel & Samuel both did a bicycle race up in the northern part of Zambia. It was organized by the mines. And very well organized too. **Joel** came first in his 1km race. And **Samuel** came third in his 5km race. Both Charlie & I also took part in the 37k bush race. It was great fun and lots of challenges.

At the end of August I took part in the Victoria Falls marathon. I had been training for it for 4 months. Nevertheless it took me just under 5 hours to **complete** the 42.2k race. It was a very hot day (as most days are at the Vic Falls) and **PLENTY** of hills. **Sammy** ran along side me at the finishing line. It sure was a hard one!



Joel



Samuel

Mummy

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