



Dear Friends,

We hope you had a fantastic Christmas and are gearing up for a good celebration to see in 2013. Things have shown no sign of slowing here in Harare with the opening of the school now only 10 days away on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

### Lack of blogs

Firstly we are very sorry for our lack of blogs this month. We have moved away from the centre to our own place and do not have internet access unless we are at work. We will be back in the culture when the school begins to keep you up to date with what we are up to.

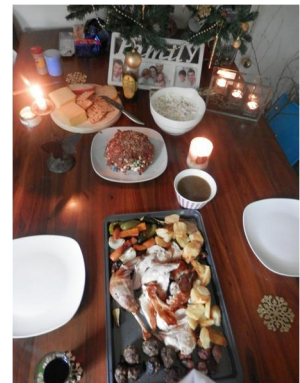
### Car Robbery

Unfortunately, our car was broken in to during church two weeks ago in what was supposed to be a secure car park. Our laptop, iPad, Sophie's purse and a satellite navigation system was taken from us. These people were clearly professionals as they managed to remove the lock off the driver's door tricking the alarm system into thinking the car was being opened with a key. Local CID is on the case and has been very helpful. Our insurance company have also been helpful but as you can imagine the cost of the items is not completely covered. It wasn't a nice thing to happen but we are so grateful for the help and support people gave us during this time. Because of your kind donations we have been able to replace the laptop and had the majority of our files backed up so we haven't lost the work that we did for the school project.

### Registrations

It would appear that One Way Pre School will begin with 21 children which we are really pleased with. The majority of these children are from our local area with a few from our church. Our most exciting news is that we have funding to offer education for 3 orphans. These children are from the local area and wouldn't be accessing any education if it was not for the money donated from many generous people. Each orphans education cost 60 pounds per month. If you would like to donate a small amount regularly to this project then we can add this to our ever growing number of donators to contribute towards this cost. The lives of these children have already been changed just by being told they can attend school. Those of you who already donate money monthly will receive a special orphan letter in January informing you of your child's name, background and current circumstances.

### Christmas



Thanks be to God and all our wonderful friends and families support!

Finally we've been here for 4 and a half months now and this is our 6<sup>th</sup> newsletter and he we couldn't be happier. In this short amount of time we've seen what God can do and for that we are truly thankful. Here is just a list of just a few of the prayers He has answered over the last 6 months:

- Visas granted to live and work in Zimbabwe
- Stewardship services taken upon our project to support through giving
- Affordable safe flights including safe travel for us and our luggage.
- Shipping of goods arrived safely (eventually!)
- Renovation of One Way Pre School from bar and night club to school facility
- A permit to run a school in Harare
- A car to drive around in
- A new house so we don't have to live at work
- Incredible friends
- We are healthy and happy
- We are currently offering education to 21 people including 3 orphans
- We have employed 2 local people to work in our school
- The provision of many resources, furniture, people and equipment for the school

I could continue but if you search back through previous blogs/newsletters you will see the blessings we have been given. Thank-you! Without your prayer support and ultimately your finances none of this would have happened.

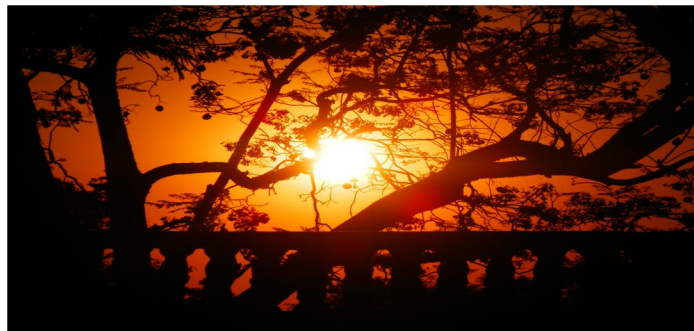
Ambition

As many of you are probably doing around this time we are thinking to the future as well as looking back to the past. We are regularly asked about how long we attend to be here for. Our ambitions for now are that we continue to serve this Mabelreign area with an excellent, flourishing pre-school. We want financial stability, sustainability and to have created something that we can all be proud of.

Our Goals for 2013? Simply now that the school is set up it must run efficiently.

Prayer points

- Police investigation into our robbery
- The 21(so far) children attending One Way Pre School
- The arrival of computers for the school
- Continued educational provision
- The funding of an outdoor learning area



As the Sun sets on 2012 we wish you all a Happy New Year!  
Love Greg, Sophie and Alex xx