



# Standing in the Gap

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## Encouragement from Home Church

A team from Zion Chapel visited us in March and included our daughter Joanna (who was here a bit longer) as well as Del and Jeannie Penner, Zion missionaries to Germany. While they were here we enjoyed seeing some animals at



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Kruger Park that we don't usually see in Indiana. We also traveled to Chokwe and surrounding areas to see some of the World Relief work.

A visit to Iris Ministries brought us into contact with Zito, a young man whom Tanneken Fros rescued from the city dump. He invited us to go with him to visit the dump where he ministers to people (yes, there are about 200 people living there). It was a heart-wrenching time. Del had a good word picture of Jesus coming to live among us on earth (a dump in comparison to heaven). It is hard for us to visit the dump but Jesus gave up so much more as he came not only to visit, but to live at the "dump" and purchase our redemption.

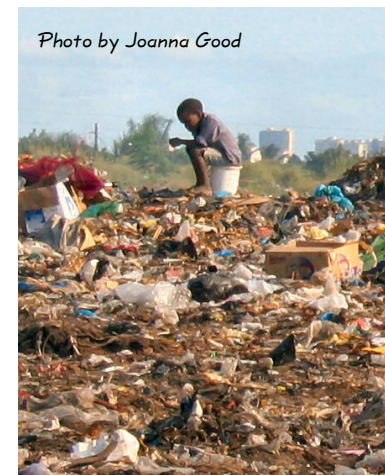


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The team (below) also presented some seminars at WR in Maputo and Chokwe on godly financial principles as well as some practical teachings about management. It was a great encouragement to have the group here. We are so blessed to have the support in so many ways of our local church. **Thank you, Zion Chapel!**



He left the splendor of heaven  
Knowing His destiny  
Was the lonely hill of Golgotha  
There to lay down His life for me.

And if that isn't love  
Then the ocean is dry  
There's no stars in the sky  
And the sparrow can't fly  
If that isn't love  
Then heaven's a myth  
There's no feeling like this  
If that isn't love

*Song by Dottie Rambo*

## Training the Trainers

O.M.S., an interdenominational mission group, is interested in providing micro enterprise opportunities to people in their churches in Mozambique. They asked us to give our training which we did for three weeks in April. It was a wonderful group of church leaders who will now take this training and teach others. It is exciting to see them learn godly principles of business as well as moral values and then teach them and apply them to their lives and to the

small businesses they will start to support their families. At the end we gave them certificates. You should have heard them whooping it up and clapping for each other as they received them. You might have thought it was high school graduation time.

Rachel did most of the work in scheduling and training.  
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It was gratifying to watch her joy and personal fulfillment as she shared the teachings with the group and coached them as they began to teach. When we



OMS group with certificates

talked about it afterwards, she said that when we first came to Mozambique, she watched Heidi Baker sit and teach a group of

pastors. God dropped the thought in her heart that she could probably do that as well. It is so like God to lead us to a teaching model that is participatory where the leader sits with the students and is also a learner.

### Chicken Project

We continue to support the chicken project which is now operating in four towns. We will begin construction in the fifth town, Matola, in May. Pray with us that we will find the appropriate person to take overall



responsibility for the project as we go to the U.S. this summer and then return to start another project producing coconut oil.

### Expanding Responsibilities at World Relief

Steve has been asked and accepted the responsibility of leading a team that will be responsible to implement and direct the programs of agriculture and trade. In southern Africa, WR is joining these programs under the name "Africa Works." The plan is to form a local NGO that will serve as the economic empowerment arm of WR and help the volunteers of the social and spiritual development programs to start or connect with businesses and earn incomes.

Mozambique has many natural resources such as land, sunshine, water and people, but much of this potential is unused as the majority of basic food stuffs are grown, processed and imported from South Africa. Please pray for us in this new role. In many ways it feels like we are starting all over and there is so much we need to learn about the new responsibilities and requirements.

### Trip Home in August

In September it will be two years since we left for language study in Brazil. (That is hard to believe isn't it?) Our sending church, Zion Chapel, encourages people to return home every two years, so we are planning to come in August and September. We are excited about connecting with the church, family and friends as well as tackling some projects on the home place (if you know Steve, there are always projects). Maybe we'll also find some time to rest. Hmm.

### Muito Obrigado

We are grateful to each of you for your prayers, gifts, e-mails, visits, and thoughts. We value your friendships very much.

God bless and keep you!

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