

# tlc in HIS service

May 2011  
Volume 1, Issue 1

Visit us at [www.tlcinhisservice.org](http://www.tlcinhisservice.org) or contact us at [tlcinhisservice@yahoo.com](mailto:tlcinhisservice@yahoo.com)



## tlc Updates

**Our little boat survived another flood season with only two minor incidents – God is good.** We are hoping to get the boat serviced soon so that we can feel confident when we have to put it into service again. The water is going down but there are still places that cannot be reached by car. As I entered the post office I saw several people in uniforms labeled "flood relief team" and it was a reminder of how blessed we are. There were many people, villages, cities that were devastated by the record flood waters in many areas of Namibia and it will take a very long time to recover.

The bridge – wading and walking



The boat starts to rest



The first two weeks of May marked the end of the school holiday during which children were at their villages visiting relatives. During this time we had a health awareness and first aid seminar at COZV with the staff. Of course no first aid class would be complete without live demonstrations of various care techniques. **Do not worry no one was injured in the taking of these photos except for the side splitting laughter.**



**African Chamomilla meets southern style cooking.** After several months of watching people carry and prepare a leafy green vegetable we decided to try some. Well sort of...the locals chop the leaves finely and fry them in oil and serve them with pap...not bad but not quite southern! Well we bought some and prepared the in the southern way...slowing cooking in water with lots of spicy seasonings. And just as we had hoped they tasted just like collard greens. **Some reminders of the old home in our new home** ☺

The COZV garden is active again. Several plots have been cleared and the staff and children are working daily in the garden. **We are all looking forward to enjoying fresh produce in the near future, especially some more chamomilla.** Yes we have other vegetables as well including corn, onion, cabbage, carrots, cabbage, pumpkins, beet root, green peppers and did I mention chamomilla!

We also added two new chickens to the barn. They are starting to feel welcome and we have seen a couple of eggs! Little by little we are working and God is providing the food in our own back yard! Maybe one day the grocery bill will be cut in half!



While helping to clean one of the garden plots (I think Uncle Leonard separated us from the outside staff so we would not slow them down) we came across some old melons from last year. They were just about the right size to hold in your hand and roll across the ground...hmhhh. We had several empty 2 liter cola bottles at the house...hmhhh. **Yep you got it, later in the afternoon there was bowling fun to be had by children of all ages.**



Winter is now coming so with the start of school in the middle of May came the sweatshirts (jerseys they say). **I never thought I would be cold in Africa but I was wrong.** We certainly do not require winter coats like we used to wear but long sleeves and warm sweaters are necessary! By afternoon, well, the sun is hot ☺

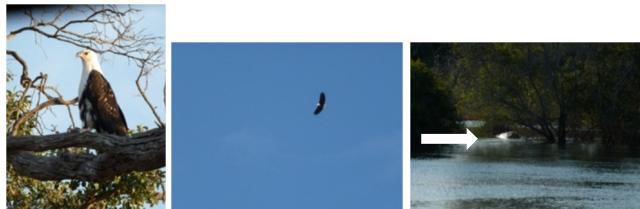


# tlc Updates continued

The sports focus this school session is on ball games. Basketball, netball, volleyball, soccer and of course chess! The ball games were initially scheduled for 3 Wednesdays, but after some concern from the government school teachers all games for all schools were played on one Saturday. There were 4 or 5 schools competing against each other. The ultimate goal of the competition was to identify the young athletes that would represent Katima in the upcoming regional completion. Our children played well. **Children of Zion will be well represented in the regional competition with players in boys and girls soccer.**



With the flood waters going down there is an increase in wildlife activity. The birds are returning to the area. **The Caprivi is a popular destination for birdwatchers.** It seems that two African fish eagles may have picked a nesting ground across the river from our kitchen window. Fishing is very popular here. People fish for food and sport. After seeing 4 snakes in a 4 hour span we are told that the snakes should be going into hibernation because it is winter here. Guess they were just passing through our yard on the way to their long winter's rest? You know we have heard many hippos from our house that sound like they are right out back. Well we have finally sighted hippos from the house! Looks like a big rock in the picture.



**Blessings at Mafuta Feeding Center.** Children of Zion continues to provide food for a feeding center nearby. The staff and the children continue to bless us each week when we take the food and supplies. They are beautiful children with a lot of needs. The ladies cook for them and volunteer their time to provide for children in need of food. It might be the only meal for the day for these kids. God continues to provide for Children of Zion so that Children Zion might help provide for Mafuta. GOD IS GOOD!!!



**Happy Birthday to: Sosta, Jacob, Imasiku, Gaty, Isabella, Josiah and Nsala. It was especially fun to watch Josiah and Nsala enjoy their cake!!**



## Praises

**Colossians 3:23-24 Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.**

