



Pr. Mbewe at Inner-city Baptist Church, Allen Park, Michigan

Henk Kleyn, and was given an opportunity to speak to the homiletics class.

Pastor Mbewe spoke with pastors and Bible college lecturers at Inter-City Baptist Church in Allen Park, MI before traveling to Chattanooga, TN.



Conrad at Grace RBC

Grace Reformed Baptist Church (Pastor Wayne Layton) hosted Conrad in Chattanooga, TN, giving him an opportunity to do a slide show presentation on ACU and preaching for the worship service. We are very grateful for those who were moved to sign up as 425 Campaign donors.



Conrad & Dr. Niel Nielson at Covenant College

Conrad also spoke to the Students of Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, GA and had occasion to dine with a group of them over lunch. He also had the pleasure of meeting the school's President, Dr. Neil Nielson.

*Thanks to all who prevail with us through praying, giving and serving!*

Rich Blessings in Christ,

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"The great tragedy of the human race is that we were made to find infinite joy by admiring God, but have become

so blind and so foolish that we spend energy and time and money seeking out things in the world to satisfy our insatiable craving to admire greatness and beauty."

~John Piper

## "ACU Day"



Mirriam Simunika at Mt. Makulu

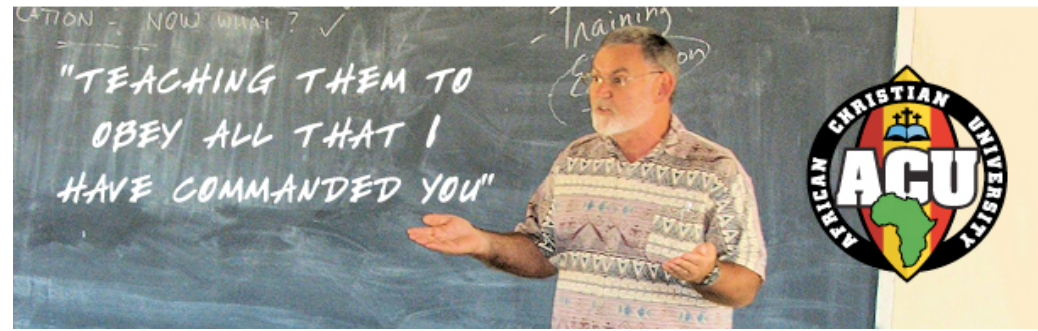
We gratefully welcome ten new prayer partners who signed up as a result of the "ACU Day" presentations at Mt. Makulu Baptist Church.

## Links



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The indigenous kingdom work which began in Zambia with a genuine, reviving work of God a generation ago continues as new churches are being planted. The Lord has granted the Zambian Reformed Baptist churches a vision to impact the continent, promoting the work of making disciples and teaching them to obey everything that Christ commanded us. Instruments by which the churches are seeking to promote this vision include African Christian University, along with the ACU Seminary. As we initiate a recruiting campaign for seminary faculty, please pray that God would call those ordained to come work this field that is white for the harvest.

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## Answering the Call

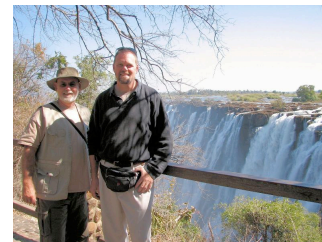
We are pleased to announce that Ray Warwick, a Christian Education Project Director for Equipping Leaders International, (ELI), has accepted the call to serve with ACU. He first traveled to Africa to teach with ELI in 2006. On that trip He was struck by the intense zeal of the Christians there, seeking, solid teaching from the Word of God. "I was deeply impressed by the joyous reaction of the people when they were introduced to biblical truth which they hadn't heard before," he said. "These brothers and sisters were hungry to feed upon the Word, and they were starving for solid teaching." He had never known a more receptive group of "students." Numerous trips to Africa since then, has confirmed his sense that our African friends are sincerely longing for substantial biblical instruction, but are being bombarded with all manner of faulty teaching and erroneous doctrines. Ray is especially excited to see how God, in His grace, has raised up the Zambian Reformed Baptist churches to meet this need. He believes that this is

a crucial time for God's kingdom work in Africa. Following the revival God has initiated through the Zambian churches, education that assists the church in discipleship is critical for continued kingdom impact across Africa.

From the moment He met Ken Turnbull and learned of the vision for African Christian University, Ray believed it was an answer to prayer for all our African brethren, and knew he wanted to be a part of it. "When Ken bid me to serve on the ACU-USA Board of Directors, I was humbled and thrilled," explained Ray, "but when



Ray Warwick in Uganda, 2006



Ray & Ken at Vic. Falls, 2011





Peggy & Ray Warwick

he asked me to prayerfully consider joining him in Zambia to assist in the development of the university, my world was suddenly shaken." Ray's wife of 37 years, Peggy, as well as other family members, (three grown children), immediately saw this as God's call upon his life; however, he needed to process things more slowly. Yet with the passing of time, much prayer, and through many discussions with Dr. Turnbull and others, God confirmed to him that the entire sum of his

30 year career (MA in Education, BA in Bible) and life experiences as a Christian educator, both in the US and abroad, have been preparing him for this exciting ministry.

While visiting Zambia in the summer of 2011 and meeting the dear saints in Lusaka, Ray began to savor God's amazing work there, and acquired a genuine desire to be a fellow-laborer in this great undertaking.

"I am convinced that the epicenter of Christendom is shifting away from the naturalistic, secular west," Ray surmised. "Clearly, Africa and Asia are ground zero in the cosmic spiritual battle for the expansion of the Church of Jesus Christ, and the spread of His Kingdom on this earth." Many Christian leaders recognize the great need in Africa for the training and development of indigenous leaders who are grounded in Scripture, and equipped to impact culture for the glory of God and the good of His people. Ray wholeheartedly agrees with the nucleus of godly pastors and lay-leaders in Lusaka, Zambia, that African Christian University will play a significant role in evangelism, discipleship and Kingdom advancement across Africa, and he is persuaded that the vision will be perpetuated through its robust Christ-centered, biblically-based worldview.

"As an educator, I know full-well the profound influence teachers have on the generations," Ray affirmed, "and I'm thrilled to have been asked to minister at ACU as Academic Dean, taking a lead role in faculty and academic program development." He envisions that as God answers prayer and blesses ACU, it will become a fertile training ground for future Christian leaders who will infiltrate their communities and impact the culture with gospel truth.

Dr. Ken Turnbull shared, "Ray is truly gifted as a teacher, or more specifically, as a mentor - one who can seamlessly incorporate his Biblical worldview into any subject matter while exemplifying his maturing Christ-likeness and personally edifying his learners and colleagues."

Pastor, John Leeder of Pacific Hope Church in San Diego, CA, also highly recommended the Warwicks', citing their fervent service as active members, and noting how deeply their absence would be felt. Please keep Peggy and Ray in your prayers as they prepare to relocate to Zambia. It is always a tremendous step of faith to uproot one's life, denying oneself, leaving behind all that is familiar, taking up the cross of Christ and going to a foreign land. Implore that God will initiate a

# Growing in grace and knowledge

(2 Peter 3:18)

## Matters of Praise

- We acclaim the goodness of God for Ray Warwick's acceptance of God's call to assist ACU as Academic Dean.
- We thank God that senior headman Chipwalu continues to make progress in identifying the land to be allotted for ACU.



## Matters of Prayer



Debi and Dr. Howard Foreman

- May the dialogue that takes place in Lusaka, on Apr 12-16 with Dr. Howard and Deborah Foreman (Training Leaders International, TLI) give way to a fruitful alliance

ground swell of support by stirring peoples' hearts, making it financially feasible for them to move to Lusaka as soon as possible. **Soli Deo Gloria.**

## "ACU Day"



Dr. Turnbull at Mt. Makulu

On Mar 25, 2012, we appreciated the very gracious and enthusiastic response from one of ACU's supporting Zambian Reformed Baptist churches: Mt. Makulu Baptist Church (Pastor Victor Kanyense) for "ACU Day". Ken preached in the morning service on spiritual discernment and examples of its application from the Apostle Paul's ministry in evangelism and discipleship. Ken and Bruce gave an

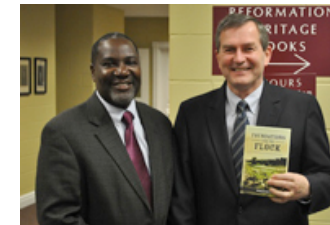
update on ACU and the Seminary for the evening service. Many new people signed up to receive the monthly ACU Prayer Update and to participate in the 425 Campaign.

We greatly appreciate the brethren whom we are serving together with in this great endeavor. It's always a pleasure to hear one of the first generation believers from the foundations of the Reformed Baptist church planting movement say regarding ACU, "This is where my grandchildren will go to college." Even some of those first generation believers are looking forward to studying at ACU and the Seminary. May God continue to grant His abundant outpouring of grace for its fruition.



Bruce Button at Mt. Makulu

## Mbewe Tour



Pr. Mbewe & Dr. Joel Beeke

Pastor Conrad Mbewe graciously gave of his time to raise awareness for the ACU project while he was in the USA in February, and we greatly appreciated the help of Pastor Dan Chittock of Bethesda Baptist Church in Allen Park Michigan, who lined up several speaking engagements and transported Conrad to them. While visiting Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, MI, Pastor Mbewe was greeted by its President, Dr. Joel R. Beeke. Conrad presented the vision for ACU to CEO, Dr.

that will help ACU recruit, prepare and send Christ-impassioned individuals from the USA to Zambia. Pray that through this partnership a full breadth of academic disciplines, grounded in a biblical worldview, will be developed.

- Earnestly seek God's best for ACU's Seminary faculty recruiting campaign as word of the need for Theology faculty in Zambia spreads to various seminaries and churches, through distribution of the ACU Seminary brochure.
- Petition God to foster a spirit of benevolence, causing many to support the Warwicks effort to serve the Zambian churches through ACU.
- Seek God's faithful provision for Bruce Button and his family as they search for another affordable home to rent in Lusaka by the end of April, requiring a 4 month deposit up-front.
- Please pray that Ken Turnbull's health will continue to improve and the Lord will strengthen him.



*I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will*

*know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints (Eph 1:18).*