



## **“He Who Began A Good Work...”**

This year marks 70 years since Lilius Falconer travelled to Africa to begin her work. She was based initially at the leprosy mission in Chitokoloki, until the arrival of baby Luke, followed swiftly by five others, caused her to travel to Kabulamema and establish what was to become the Falconer Children's Home. We ponder with gratitude and admiration on all that Miss Falconer accomplished in Zambia, but we also marvel at the grace of God, who has strengthened, guided and encouraged her and all those who have supported her work over the years. God continues to strengthen, guide and encourage Simon and his staff, as well as those of us here at the Falconer Trust.



We see God at work in so many ways - in the provision of finance and resources; in bringing across our path people who can support the work; in inspiring new initiatives such as the 'Raise The Roof' project. In all of these things He is faithful.

Sometimes it is easy to think that the task is too great, that there is too much to do, that things are beyond our control. But always something will happen, or someone will say something, which reminds us that it is God who is in control, and we simply need to leave everything in His hands. God started this work, and He will complete it! At risk of taking a verse of Scripture out of context:

*“being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 1:6)*

## **Miriam**

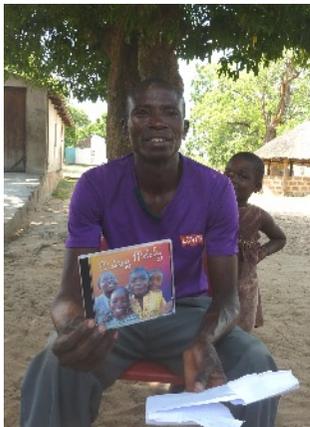
We are delighted to be able to report that Miriam has passed her nursing exams and completed her training, and is now an SRN! She is now based back in Kabulamema, working at the clinic. No doubt she will be keen to use her expertise, and her love for the children, to help out at the Home as much as she is able.

# Raise the Roof!



Our trip to the Falconer Home is now not far away. A team of six (Ken, Neil, Dennis, Peter, Eric and Graham) will be at the Home during late June and early July, working alongside a local team, to complete the planned renovations to the dormitory. With a new roof on the building, we will be creating two new bedrooms, adding electric light and

power, plumbing in sinks and showers, reglazing the windows, and also redecorating throughout. All of the equipment and most of the materials have been purchased and shipped out. This has all been made possible through the amazing generosity of our supporters, so we want to say a big 'THANK YOU' to all who have in any way contributed to this project.



## 'Making Melody'

The picture on the left shows Vincent proudly holding a copy of the CD 'Making Melody'. The songs on the CD are sung by the children of the Falconer Home, led and taught by Vincent. We appreciate all the hard work he has put into not only preparing the children for the recording of the CD, but in working with the children every day, teaching them songs and Bible stories. If you would like a copy of the CD, please get in touch with us. We suggest a donation of £5 to cover costs.

## 2015 DVD

The DVD of the 2015 visit is now available. Please let us know if you would like a complimentary copy. You can also view it online from our website (go to the 'Gallery' page), or search for it on Youtube.

<http://www.thefalconertrust.org/gallery.html>



# Parcels!

Here are some pictures of the first batch of parcels arriving at the home since the exemption certificate problem was resolved.



# An Important Visitor

In February the Falconer Home received a very important visitor, the Zambian vice-president, Inonge Wina. She said during her visit that the office of the vice president is looking at modalities of assisting vulnerable children who are kept in orphanages. She said this is being done after it was realised that orphaned children also deserve a decent livelihood. Mrs Wina said that uplifting the living standards of vulnerable children requires the co-operation from both government and the private sector. She said it is time Zambia took it upon herself to take care of the poor and not rely on external funding. It will be interesting to see whether this results in practical help for the home in real terms!



## Please Pray...



- ... Thank God for His continued love, care and protection for the children and staff at the Falconer Home
  - ... for a successful trip in June and July, especially for the work which will take place for the 'Raise The Roof' project.
  - ... for Simon and all the workers at the home. Please pray especially that God supplies all necessary resources - financial, material and human!
- ... that God raises up workers who can begin to take on leadership and organisational responsibilities at the home, to share the burden with Simon.
  - ... for Miriam, that she settles in well at Kabulamema, and is able to cope with the various demands which will be placed upon her.
  - ... especially for all the children, that they grow up strong, healthy and happy!

## Thank You

A very big thank you to all who have supported the work in some way, whether through prayer, finance, donation of goods or any other way. May God bless you richly for your efforts on behalf of the children.

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