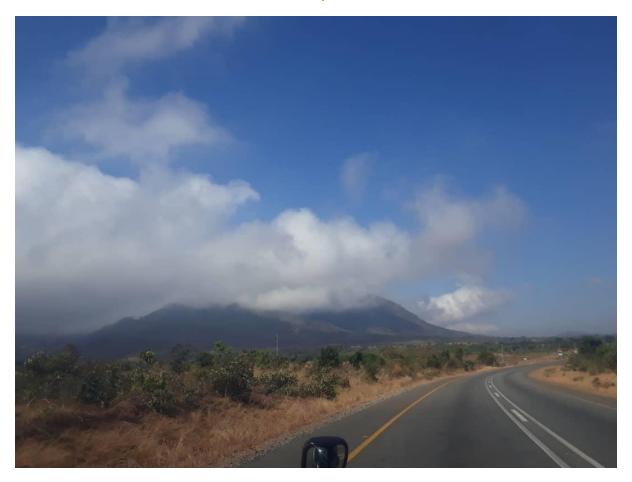
## Apostolic Faith Church

## From the District Superintendent's DESK (Zambia and East Africa District)

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## DS' visit to Eastern Province

"Far and near the fields are teeming with the wave of ripened grain."

A team of five ministers (5) led by Rev Boniface Banda, comprising of Rev B Kalimina (Lusaka), Rev G Hambwaza (Southern Province Overseer), Bro M Kabunda (Kafue District) and Bro R Mainza (Lusaka) left Lusaka on Friday 9th October, 2020 to visit branch churches in Eastern Province. The team arrived in Katete town in the afternoon that same day. Katete is the newly created Provincial Headquarters of the Apostolic Faith Church in Eastern Province as it is geographically located in the central part.

The following morning on Saturday 10th October, a worker's conference was held which had two (2) sessions. In attendance were ministers and workers from all branch churches in the province.



Katete worker's meeting

On Sunday morning 11th October, the day started with Sunday School. The senior lesson titled "Judas The Son of Perdition" was taught by Bro Moses Banda from Chadidza District and the Devotional Service with a theme "Ye are the light of the world" (John 5:14) was taken by Brother M Kabunda. The minister reminded the congregation that just as a vehicle needs its own headlamps which are bright enough



Katete Branch

for proper visibility at night without depending on the lights from other vehicles on the road, Christians too need the Gospel light in their individual lives in order to shine in this world of darkness.

During the afternoon, the team joined by Rev W. Lungu (Eastern Province Overseer) and Rev Charles Phiri (Petauke District Pastor) proceeded to visit Kasenengwa a newly created District and were

received by the family of Brother Michael Phiri and spent a night at their residence.

The following Monday morning on 11th October, the team travelled to Lundazi District via Chipata City and arrived there in the afternoon. They were welcomed by Bro Masauso Phiri who was based in Lusaka but now resides in Lundazi.

After a few minutes of rest, the team proceeded to Malaga Village which is about 20km west of Lundazi. There they found a group of people



The team in Lundazi after arrival.

who had been patiently waiting for their arrival. A service was held at Bro Nyendwa's house outside on a veranda as the sitting room which they use for worship was unable to accommodate the congregants. Hungry hearts knelt down to pray and wished the ministers could stay with them for some more time. After bidding farewell, the team travelled back to Lundazi for a night's rest.



On Tuesday 13th the group of ministers started heading back to Chipangali Branch, which is also in a newly created district. There they were welcomed by congregants led by Bro Paul Banda, the District Pastor for Chipata branch. A short service was conducted and the Spirit of fellowship could be felt in their midst.

They later departed for Chipata city and had fellowship with a few brethren who met at the residence of Bro Enoch Banda. During the



afternoon the team proceeded to Chadidza District where they were received by Bro Moses Banda together with his family. In the evening, a small group gathered for fellowship in Bro Banda's house before retiring to bed.



At brother Moses Banda's residence - Chadidza District

On Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October, the team of ministers left Chadidza to visit branch churches in the newly created Lusangazi District and also branch churches in Petauke District. They went via Katete route and branched off at Sinda District. The branches visited were Kamutengo, Wankala, Riverside and Ukwimi. At Ukwimi they stopped for a night's rest. Short services were held in each of these branches where the presence of God could be felt as the congregants sung cheerfully and positively agreed to the word of God through their shout of 'Amen!'



Kamutengo branch- New Lusangazi District



Wankhala branch - New Lusangazi District



Riverside branch - New Lusangazi District



Ukwimi branch - Petauke District

On Thursday 15th October, the team visited the recently acquired church plot in Petauke District where Bro Charles Phiri is the Pastor. A mission house is also under construction and is nearing completion. Later in the evening, a service was held at Bro Charles Phiri's residence and a night was spent there.





A 100 × 100 parcel of land (Petauke District)

Rev Charles Phiri and family - Petauke District

Friday 16th October, the team started off heading back westwards to visit branches in Nyimba District. The branches visited were Chipembe, Mwenenkhande, Mulima (Near Mozambique boarder) and Mwambezi (also close to Mozambique boarder). There also they enjoyed the Christian fellowship as short services were conducted in all these branches.



Chipembe branch- Nyimba District



Mulima branch church which is still under construction - Nyimba District



Mwenenkhande branch - Nyimba District

Mwambezi branch - Nyimba District

On Saturday morning, 17th October, a ministers' conference was held at Nyimba main branch and had roundtable conference during the afternoon.

On Sunday 18th October, brethren from sub branches came to congregate at Nyimba main branch where they had Sunday School as well as Devotional Service. The day was concluded with a saints meeting in the afternoon and the Lord was in their midst in all these programmes.





Nyimba church

Nyimba congregation during the service

On Monday 19th October the team departed back to Lusaka. All glory be to God Almighty for His mercies during this visit.

"The harvest is truly plenteous, but the labourers are few, pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth labourers in the harvest" (Matthew 9:37,38).