

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES WITH PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL ZAMBIA

LOCATION:

This service opportunity is within the Munyanya Village, which sits on a small plateau, near the Zambezi River, overlooking a large flood plain. Beyond the flood plain, one can see the border with Zimbabwe. The population of Munyanya Village is over 500. Additionally, there are several islands near Munyanya, which are surrounded by the Zambezi River, near the Kazungula Border, where Zambia borders with the countries of Botswana, Namibia, and Zimbabwe.

Partners In Development have built a multi-purpose center, and two (2) toilets, in Munyanya Village. Treadle pumps have been supplied to local farmers, especially to the women farmers. This has resulted in food security for the families, as well as income from the sale of the produce.

Sports programs have also been supported, such as soccer, netball, volleyball, and basketball. This has been done for both the boys and girls. However, much remains to be done in this area.

Furthermore, Munyanya Village provides opportunities for individuals—and groups—to experience rural life in Zambia. Areas of opportunity to serve include:

- Preschool teaching and dialogue with the village children;
- Teaching all ages in literacy (English is the official language of Zambia);
- Assist and participate in building sport programs for children, youth, and adults;
- Tutor primary school students in English;
- Build toilets;
- Environmental Education: learn about the biodiversity and environmental sustainability of the area. Survival depends on caring for natural systems and biodiversity;
- Witness baking bread in an under-ground oven;
- Livingstone town is one hour by vehicle from Munyanya. Sight-seeing opportunities can be arranged for African safaris, visiting Victoria Falls, a rhino walking safari, historical and cultural tours, river boat cruise, tiger fishing, and sightseeing of birds;
- An excellent opportunity for college/university student practicum's exists as well, and this includes groups in rural development, environmental studies, cross-cultural learning, traditional cultural and religious experience, and the learning of the history of central and southern Africa;
- An overnight stay in a village can also be arranged; and
- Access to the islands for visits and/or work excursions can be done by canoe, or by walking.

TIME FRAME: May – October 2015

This service opportunity is for groups with a maximum of ten (10) people, that are 18 years of age or older. This is an excellent opportunity to work with local people in rural Zambia, in helping to develop needed infrastructure, with protection of the local environment as primary focus.

Daily, you will travel through the Zambezi National Park, where you may see elephants, buffalo, baboons, waterbuck, giraffe, and rhino.

Additional information is attached for traveling to Zambia.

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