## CIG Youth Missionary USA In Zambia Concludes First 40 Days Of Witnessing

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New year, new determinations!

Happy new year from Zambia! We recently concluded our first 40 days of witnessing, packed with over 2 weeks of witnessing and 1-day, 2-day, 7-day, and 4-day workshops! During the first week of December, we held a 2-day workshop at the Missionary House in Lusaka. It was an exciting workshop which we coordinated, gave Divine Principle lectures, and had lively discussions and questions from the participants.



The following week, we began our first 7-day workshop from December 11th to 19th, held at the Barlastone Park School in Lusaka. Together with the local community's outreach efforts, we had a total of 33 guests attend the workshop! We learned the entirety of the Divine Principle from Rev. David Phiri, the national leader of FFWPU in Zambia, and a special youth envoy UPA graduate.

Afterwards, we attended a 4-day workshop for the youth of subregion South of Africa under the theme "Find God, Find True Parents, and Find Myself." Around 27 people came to attend the workshop from all over Africa, such as Choma, Malawi, and more! The workshop was a great success allowing the youth of Africa to connect to one another, build new friendships, and most importantly, inspire us to build personal relationships with God and True Parents.



We are now in a transition period between the last 40 days of witnessing and our next one. We spent time this past week to reflect on our overall experience in Zambia so far and set new goals. We also joined a 7-day workshop together with HyoJeong Rang in order to continue to learn and prepare ourselves for this next phase. So far, we've received guidance on witnessing, heard a testimony from the Cheon Eui Won Co-chair Kathy Rigney, one of the early 1975 missionaries of Africa, and practiced lecturing the Divine Principle. We are working hard to prepare and grow during this workshop period in order to start this new year and new condition of witnessing strong!

