

Interviews (Cont.)



Alfred Sakwiya will be graduating from ZCAS (Zambia Centre for Accountancy Studies) in 2016. He first came to ACU to gain work experience in accounting, but during a recent staff devotional he realised that every aspect of ACU is ministry. ACU will be something that will outlive all of us. He is glad to be part of something that will go on beyond his lifetime.

Alfred grew up in the Roman Catholic church. After a while, he got tired of the ceremony and merely going through set motions. In 2009 he visited Kabwata Baptist Church. During the next week, he was visited by a group of people from the church. While he did not understand much of what was being taught at church,

he enjoyed the environment and became a regular attendee. As he tried to fit in, he manufactured a Christian conversion experience. In June 2009, he attended a Heroes of the Faith conference at church, and his uncle gave him two books by John Calvin after the conference. The one he wanted to read was taken by his mom as she travelled, so he had to start reading Sin is Serious. This book exposed the reality and burden of sin to him. As he sought a solution to his sin, he realised that the only answer was Jesus Christ. He got on his knees and pleaded to God for mercy. From that time, he has become alive and alert to the presence of God and the evil of sin in his own life and how it affects those around him. He says that his Christian walk has been fun, but not easy. He sees God's providence in bringing him to Christ.

During his time at ACU, Alfred has been a great help in organising the accounting system and making sure all the financial information is in order while designing a system that will be simple to follow.

Alfred thinks that ACU is important for Zambia and beyond because of the focus of education. He has never seen this type of set up before. To him, education was to train students to work for themselves, to get rich, to climb the corporate ladder. At ACU he is being challenged that work is what God has designed. It is to be lived out in His presence. It is not about what job you are doing, but how well you are doing that job.



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“the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Matthew 20:28



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The Expected Impact of Christian Worldview Education on Business in Zambia

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God has been at work in His church for over two millennia. He has steadily and providentially cared for His people. He will continue this work on earth until all the kingdoms of this earth shall become God's and Christ's (Revelation 11:15). His chosen instruments in this process are those made in His image unto whom He has given the title of co-inheritors with Him.

This is expressed in the cultural mandate to “subdue the earth” in Genesis 1:28. From the days of Eden, that beautiful, perfect Garden, man's responsibility through his federal head, Adam, is clear—God's method has always been to use set-apart people. Kuyper rightly said, “There is not one square inch of the entire creation about which Jesus Christ does not cry out, ‘This is mine! This belongs to me!’”¹

Another Hymn writer well says:
“Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.”²

God has not left out the field of business or enterprise. It is in fact one sector that most presents potential to improve our people's lot. Entrepreneurship is in need of being subdued by Thinkers—the well taught among us. We must use the co-levers of knowledge and growth in grace to be better equipped. We must be willing to get our hands dirty.

In this continent of Africa we see much corruption at various levels of business as well as the incessant patronage and lubricating of the system. If this were decaying meat, we need much salt in it. The salt of the knowledge and growth in grace should not lose its effect. As for the light, well the dark alleys of business must become lit. ACU's impact should rightly be to help shine forth the glorious light that is currently hidden under the bushel.

Work has been blessed. In fact, we are saved to serve. As we are equipped with grace and knowledge, we are readied to labour. For the Christian, in his/her worldview all labour is as unto our God, His Son—our King—and His kingdom.

How can African Christians apply the grace and knowledge of the biblical worldview to impact this great continent? There are endless challenges that face us. These require a creative and entrepreneurial drive to bring solutions. Here is a sampling of issues to consider:

Matters for Prayer

- Please continue to pray for the registration process with the Higher Education Authority of Zambia. Join us in praying that the Authority will complete this process without further delay.
- Pray that God, through His people, would provide support for several families desiring to serve in Zambia with ACU, particularly the Janse van Rensburgs and Kilians.
- Pray for Voddie Baucham and his family as they are in the US for a few weeks. Pray for safe travels and great visits.
- Pray for Keren Hays who will return to Zambia in the coming days after caring for her son in the US since August.
- Please pray that students will register for the Scholars Programme being planned to commence in 2016.
- Pray for the ongoing health of the ACU team and that we will be able to glorify God even in physical weaknesses.
- Pray for the work at the Chisamba land, specifically as it relates to drilling another borehole. Pray for wisdom to select the best location for drilling and that this borehole will yield a substantial amount of water.

Matters for Praise

- Praise the Lord for a good visit from Barry King and the opportunity to explore opportunities for people in the UK to partner with ACU.
- We are grateful for the many volunteers helping with projects at ACU. This university is truly an international work of God's people.
- We thank the Lord for all those who support the work of ACU and the individuals serving here.
- Praise the Lord for continued safety of the ACU staff and families as we live and travel around Lusaka and beyond.
- On Thursday, December 10 around 40 people from the Lusaka churches gathered to pray for the work of ACU.

The Expected Impact (Cont.)

- The mosquito & malaria issue
- Maternal mortality issues—African mothers dying while giving life
- People daily dying while travelling on transport trucks (lorries) instead of buses
- Engineering of roads suitable to local conditions for community benefit
- Veterinary Pleural Pneumonia (CBPP) adversely affecting cattle production
- The critical need for a vaccine institute in Zambia
- A National Cardiac Institute
- Pop culture/songs—to be replaced with godly worship through music
- Subduing the web/Internet for Godly purposes
- Bible translation into local (Zambian) mother tongues—resources, time and skill needed
- Need to research the real ranges of cholesterol of clinical value in Africans

All of these could be addressed by those equipped with the proper skills and the compassion to seek the good of Africa.

Tony Elumelu, philanthropist and founder of United Bank of Africa, said: "The exigency of employment and overall development cannot [therefore] be left only to government, donors and philanthropic organizations. The African private sector must play a role. In this regard, Modern America for instance, has been built and transformed by 5 American entrepreneurs, namely JD Rockefeller, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Andrew Carnegie, Henry Ford and JP Morgan. Similarly, Africa must recognise key entrepreneurs as key drivers of development and prioritize them in African economic development policies".³

Renowned accountant Mwila Lumbwe posed the following questions to fellow Zambians:

- If not us, who?
- If not here, where?
- If not now, when?⁴

In light of the brief selection of challenges delineated, will the ACU graduates ask themselves this sequence of questions?

Mr. Chinyanta, a Zambian born, but international businessman and Founder/President of Loita Capital Ltd, says, "...I have been blest to be a blessing, and it is God who gives seed to me as the sower. It is He who builds the house otherwise I as the builder, builds in vain. Therefore I am not ashamed to confess Him and His gospel of Jesus the Christ His son and my saviour, for it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes."⁵

I ask, is it right for an American entrepreneur Bill Gates and the Bill Melinda Gates Foundation to carry the primary burden of investing in financing research of HIV/AIDS, Bilharzia and other conditions ravaging mankind? Our very relatives, our brothers and sisters are in shackles of suffering and we cannot stand up and be counted?

Where is the spirit of volunteerism? Faith without works is dead. Shall we stand up and make a difference?

How many of our ACU graduates shall enlist to this calling to take the knowledge and grace gained cerebrally and allow it to ruminate in the heart so it can outflow to ready hands and feet. This calling is to become visionary and faithful entrepreneurs who give to the work of God and His mission.

Those

- who, by His strength, throw away the shackles and ravages of poverty, while creating employment
- who will set up and finance mission outposts across the length and breadth of this land where David Livingstone laboured
- who serve their God and know the Father's heart and will finance, research, logistically equip and support interpreters of the Word into more tribal languages
- who will stand up to spend and be spent in the great Gospel's cause.

O may it be that we shall hear those wonderful words from the Master, "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master." (Matthew 25:21, ESV) Like in the Old Testament when the temple was built, we may heartily rejoice with glad hearts because we have given to the work of the Lord.

1"Abraham Kuyper Quotes." Web. 10 Dec. 2015.

2 "JESUS SHALL REIGN." 11 Aug. 2007. Web. 10 Dec. 2015.

3 Chinyanta, Justin. "What Is an African Entrepreneur and Do African Entrepreneurs Do Things Differently?" 30 July 2015. Web. 10 Dec. 2015.

4 Ibid.

5 Ibid.



So you want to Volunteer? Interviews with Two Young Zambians

By Kendra Hawley, ACU Librarian

Seda Kunda currently stays in Lusaka, but has lived in Zambia and the UK (including completing her studies in computer sciences at the University of Leicester).

Seda became a Christian in 2009. She had heard the gospel many times before that, but had always tried to be good on her own. After her older sister became a believer, Seda saw the change in her. Then some people from Kabwata Baptist Church came to visit her and explained that all our best acts are as filthy rags. We cannot change on our own. We need a change of heart. She knew that she did not want to live her life the same way anymore. She trusted Jesus Christ as her Saviour and He changed her heart from rebellion against God to a desire to please God and grow spiritually.

At the Reformed Family Conference in August 2015, Seda first heard about ACU. She was challenged to serve now while she is still young and is not yet tied down with various responsibilities of life. After discussing the idea with her dad and a friend, she decided to see if ACU would be a good place to help out. Once she came to help at ACU, she got busy putting her IT skills to work. She is currently designing a student oriented website and student portal.

The thing that excites Seda most about ACU is that it is a Christian university, not just a seminary or Bible college. As someone who attended a secular university, she is excited for the opportunities the students at ACU will have to be challenged in their Christian walk as they are surrounded by Christian lecturers and staff who desire to equip the students and to help them along their journey.

To those wondering if there is anything they can do at ACU, she says, "You should come and help out. There is always some way to help even if it is something small."