



# Hearts for Zambia

caring for orphans and  
vulnerable children and families

Spring 2009

## Hearts for Zambia is one year old!

Join the celebration at  
our annual meeting

**Saturday, May 30, 2009**

**1:30 pm – 3:30 pm**

**Tacoma Dominican Center**

935 Fawcett Ave. South

Tacoma, WA 98402

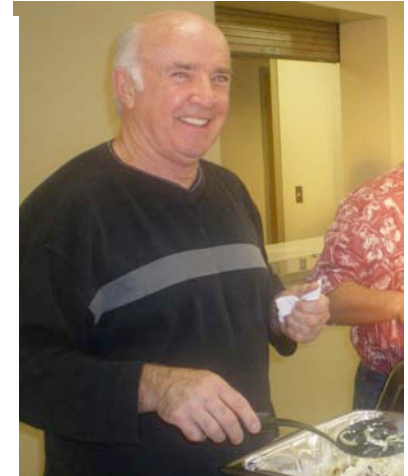
**RSVP to**

**Beatrice Roy**

**253.759.9904**

### Knights of Columbus Fish Dinner

In the spirit of Jesus' teachings to feed his lambs, St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus served dinner to 150 guests on March 6, and in so doing, provided more than \$2000 to feed the children at the Tetekela Care Center. Thanks go to the guests who contributed so generously, and to the many volunteers including the Middle School youth group. Your efforts, like the loaves and fishes, have truly been multiplied!



Jim O'Neill serving up fish

### Headlines!

- **Rotary Collaboration:** HFZ is grateful for Rotary commitments to support water projects in Kasama: Tacoma Narrows (\$5,000), Rotary #8 (\$7,000), Tacoma North (\$1,000), and Kasama Rotary (\$100). District 5020 and Rotary Int'l. will also provide some matching funds.
- **Catholic African Connections:** Board members participated in the 2009 Annual Conference, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Seattle. This is a group of people supporting work in Africa "joining together to share, learn, inspire, and encourage".



The children enjoying their daily meal of maize, dried fish, and greens

### **Second Quarter Funds go to Zambia**

This past quarter's donations of \$5,950.00 have been distributed to the Sisters of the Child Jesus. Sister Baptista said the funds arrived just in time, as the land cruiser needed a new battery, and several children needed school fees paid, along with uniforms and shoes. The remaining funds are being used for food, the Tetekela Care Center, and general needs. She asked us to convey her Easter greetings to all.





Sister Baptista Kaoma, SCJ

## Update from Sister Baptista

The Sisters of the Child Jesus have been invited to participate in the 2009 Mission Appeal of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California. Sister Baptista is hopeful that while she is in the United States, she will be able to visit her many friends and supporters in the Northwest.

Although the dates are not yet confirmed, please contact HFZ if you would like to schedule a presentation for Sister to speak at

## Urgent and Ongoing Needs

- Food.
- Upkeep, maintenance, and repairs of the Tetekela Care Center.
- School fees, books, supplies, and uniforms.
- Commercial cook stove and kitchen equipment.
- Vehicle maintenance and fuel.
- Play equipment.
- Supplies for the School for the Blind.

### A note from the Board:

We are aware that all of us can easily become overwhelmed with requests to help meet needs in our world and in our community. It's difficult to know how to assist, which plea to honor, or how donations will be handled. None of us wants our donation to be misused or too much to be spent on "overhead".

We had those same concerns when we began HFZ. You can be confident that financial donations made to HFZ are wired directly from our US bank account to a designated bank account in Kasama, Zambia, accessible only by the three Sisters who manage the programs we support. The Sisters do not use any of these funds to support the Order.

The Board voted to keep HFZ operating expenses at 5% or below. That means that 95 cents of every dollar goes directly to serve the children. However, when donations are designated for food, 100% of that donation is sent.



Bruce Foreman sharing story of Hearts for Zambia with guests at the home of LaVonne and Darrell Bahm. To book a gathering in your home, please contact Beatrice Roy at 253.759.9904.



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*Our mission is to support and promote the mission of the Sisters of the Child Jesus in meeting the critical and long-term needs of orphans, vulnerable children and families in the Northern Province of Zambia, Africa*

**Go green!** If you have received a paper copy of this newsletter, consider receiving it by Email. To be added to our Email list, contact: [hfzvp@wamail.net](mailto:hfzvp@wamail.net).

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Please find enclosed my gift to help the Sisters of the Child Jesus care for the children who come to them every day.

My gift is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. (Your donation is 100% tax-deductible.)

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