# **GEUDO UPDATE**



Boaz hiking at Gozonya

## **One Year Old!**

The Lawsons are coming up on our one year anniversary in Zimbabwe this December! Moving a family of 8 across the world has had plenty of challenges. We have seen God's hand at work each month in more ways than we could count. He who "began a good work in us" is being so faithful to provide everything that we need, every.single.day. We have been blessed with a Eudo team of young local men and women who are creative, dynamic and vibrant. We call ourselves the #powerteam on social media, and the nickname is SO appropriate. Together we write the Bible based character focused materials used in all of our Eudo schools. We have weekly check-ins with point people from each Eudo school and we do teacher training workshops to encourage and equip local teachers to go further faster in the resources we provide. Each month we highlight a different virtue, such as Courage, Kindness, Responsibility and Respect. We now have 5,800 students that are hearing lessons we've written every week!

### Lived IN Faith

Driving into Gonarezhou National Park with Ryan and Chuck from Riverlawn Christian Church, I knew we needed to be back that evening for a worship service at Joyous Church. On the advice of my sister-in-law,

Stephanie Davy, I turned left to head toward Masasanya Dam. We saw elephants coming to find a drink and cool down and lazy hippos laughing the afternoon away (seriously, hippos sound like Jabba the

Hit laughing!). That's when I thought We've got time, let's not drive straight back, but turn left and loop to the main gate. For hours we rode on overgrown roads through wild and beautiful scenery. Trevor Chidodo and the guys had to jump out in several places to clear large stones and fill holes. We held our breath going up steep river banks and washed out paths as any hope of reaching the front gate before dark was seriously challenged. Have you ever noticed how following God can feel like a wild off-road adventure? At first, it's so exciting, stepping out in faith in some new area of ministry or calling. As the challenges pile up in the weeks, months, and years ahead, we start to feel in way over our heads. It's easy to forget that faith is not

> a one-time choice to risk for God, it's the place we live. It's not so much a 'leap of faith' as the choice to keep living in faith, day in and day out. Whether it was God's call to Abraham, or God's promise that David would be king one

day, following God over the long haul is something that calls for ongoing trust.

So on the days when you feel worn out and wondering how you're going to get it all done, remember that you are in good company. And like all those who have journeyed in faith before us, we will find that He will strengthen us to carry on.

P.S. We made it to Joyous Church with 10 minutes to spare!



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The Eudo team at Chiredzi Government School (left). Trevor Chidodo leading a lesson on Joseph (right). The leopard blanket is Joseph's coat of many colors.

#### Summary

- 5820 Students getting weekly lessons from Eudo!
- 12 afternoon programs at Schools, (Now we are doing them every Thursday!)
- Chiredzi Government School & Gaba school have joined Eudo!
- 6 Eudo songs written and recorded by our amazing team.
- Roof at Joyous Church almost complete!



#### Weekly Afternoon Program

We visit different schools weekly as guest speakers in their morning assembly time. This allows us to model some innovative ways to utilize the resources we provide and build relationships with teachers and students. In May, we started doing longer afternoon programs at select schools. Starting this term, we are doing that same programming, but at a new school every week. We have renamed it "Character Training Program" (CTP) to be clearer and stay within local regulations.

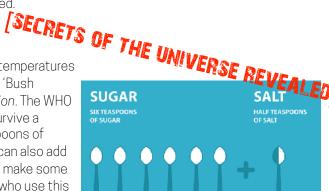
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Eudo Team is "Rekushuga Records" (rekushuga: from the sugar cane). This band has written and recorded SIX theme songs - one for each new month, with plenty more to come! Every song ties in with the Eudo month's theme. The songs are 100% local, trendy. fresh and fun thanks to the creative genius of local musicians Tadiwa Tariro

(lead singer/songwriter) and Tafadzwa Chimanga (lead instrumentalist and co-producer). The students and the teachers at our schools come ALIVE anytime we start singing and dancing to these songs! We just finished our second

# **Missionary Travel Pro Tip**

Power-cuts have been averaging 18 hours a day, six days a week. With temperatures from 105-115, we have been sweating plenty. One secret to survival is 'Bush Gatorade', or the World Health Organization's recipe of Sugar Salt Solution. The WHO uses it to treat cholera or other cases of dehydration. It can help you survive a stomach bug or help rehydrate you on hot days. Just add six level teaspoons of sugar and a half teaspoon of salt to one liter (one guart) of water. (You can also add 1/2 teaspoon of baking soda too, just don't leave out the salt) Why not make some for your small group this week? Have everyone try it and pray for those who use this solution to help recover from water borne illnesses. Learning how to make this could save a life one day, or at least keep you going at the next work day.



<sup>6</sup> Teaspoons Sugar + 1/2 Teaspoon Salt + 1 Liter of Water = 'Bush Gatorade'



#### Support

Over 5,000 kids were taught life lessons from the Bible, hungry families were fed, and young adults were mentored this past month because of passionate volunteers and your generous support.

Visit us at **www.eudo.world** or email us at **nathan@eudo.world**. Eudo is a registered 501(c)3, checks should be made out to Eudo and sent to:

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music video (www.eudo.world/music to see it!). These videos are a wonderful way to teach the dancing and lyrics that go along with the songs. Friends have told us they have overheard kids singing Eudo songs in restaurants and we hear the kids singing them in their free time on the playground. But it's not just Eudo students who are benefiting from this music. People from all around the country

have given us some fantastic feedback

on how the messages of Joy, Friendship, Courage, Kindness, Responsibility and Endurance have inspired them as they are living in a time and a place where these messages are so very

But what do you do? We rotate 800 kids through stations that teach Bible lessons, games, dancing, singing,

and snack. Rotating 800 kids through stations at a new

school every week takes a great team and we have been

blessed with some great volunteers (connect with them via

our Facebook page!). The CTP is designed to provide

extended Bible teaching and conversations with students

about how to apply it to their lives, boost the students and

inspire the teachers as they implement the Eudo resources that we offer. The musical branch of our

needed.