



Silent Voices Kitwe, Zambia



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Zambia

- 50-75% are Christians, 24-49% are Muslim or Hindu, 1% have indigenous beliefs.
- 50% of Zambia are unemployed; 86% live below Zambia's poverty line.
- One in six adults live with HIV; an estimated 710,000 children have lost at least one parent to AIDS.
- Zambia has one of the highest percentages of orphans—23% of children under age 15.
- Zambia is sparsely populated by more than 70 ethnic groups.
- Kitwe is Zambia's 3rd largest city with a population of 363,734 (2000 census).

Zambia and Abortion

- In Zambia, abortion is legal when it will preserve a woman's physical, mental, or socioeconomic health and she has the consent of three physicians. Due to the difficulty of getting three physicians' consent, Zambia has far more illegal abortions than legal.
- Abortion has been legal since 1972.

There Are Thousands like Tamara

"My name is Tamara. I am 16 years old, 2 months pregnant. My parents died when I was very young. I was raised by an uncle who abused me so much. His children went to school; I never went to school. There was a big difference in the way I was handled [compared] to everyone else at home. I ran away to seek help and food. I started working as a maid at 9 years old. I worked with them for a long time until they were transferred. They asked me return to my relatives, who still couldn't accept me. I went back on the streets. I met a man who promised to marry me if I accepted to sleep with him. After a month, I found out I was pregnant and when I told him, he denied the pregnancy and ran away. I went to the police station for help, and they directed me to Silent Voices. When I reached the office, the people welcomed me, comforted me, and gave me encouragement I have never received ever since I have been on earth. I have received food, shelter, and love. May the Lord bless Silent Voices!"

Silent Voices' Client Statistics

Operating since 1999

Partnering with LIFE since September, 2006

	2007
Client Visits	473
Pregnancy Tests	76
Abortion-Minded Clients Who Decided to Carry	75
Abstinence Presentations	5,375
Gospel Presentations	3,213
Decisions for Christ	806

Silent Voices 2008 Prayer Requests

- For the income-generating bus project to be produce revenue to support Silent Voices.
- For best results in increased abstinence education efforts.
- For development in the lives of the young moms that are in the maternity home.
- That God will use Silent Voices to transform many lives.
- That we will never lack any financial support, especially food in the maternity home.
- That God gives Barbra wisdom as she directs Silent Voices.

Silent Voices 2008 Goals

- See many babies saved from abortion through an ultrasound.
- Purchase another 18-seat bus to grow income for the center.
- Reach thousands of students in schools and people in remote areas of Zambia with abstinence information.
- Provide young moms at the maternity home with love, skills, and education and enable them to be responsible citizens.

How can You Partner with LIFE International?

Individuals, churches, centers, and businesses can partner with LIFE through prayer and financial support. Every prayer offered and every gift sown into LIFE helps make possible ministries like Silent Voices. Will you join with LIFE and help establish life-giving ministries wherever abortion exists?

Questions? Want more information? Contact us at info@lifeinternational.com or (616) 248-3300.



Director Barbara Mwansa with her husband, Edward