# ZAMBIA ITINERARY



## **ARRIVE AND SETTLE**



Today we'll have a welcome reception and a relaxing dinner, get to know each other a bit, and then get some rest before the full adventure begins bright and early tomorrow.

## CONNECT AND MEET



Today we will be meeting the people of our community partner, Hope Ministries. We will get a brief history of Hope in the early days and see where it is today. We'll meet and interact with the staff and the children they support as we're introduced to Hope's work and programs.

#### **IMPACT AND LEARN**



Today we will learn a bit about the history and culture of Zambia to give us context for our visit and experience the Hope Vegetable Farm.

#### **IMMERSE AND WANDER**



Today we will visit two markets and have the chance to do some shopping.

#### VISIT AND IMPACT



Today, you will visit the home of a Hope School student and say goodbye to our new friends.

#### TRAVEL AND TOAST



Today we will fly from Ndola to Lusaka and then Livingstone and enjoy a dinner cruise on the Zambezi River.

#### **EXPLORE AND PARTICIPATE**



Today we'll see the beauty of Zambia when we visit Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the world! You'll also have a chance to participate in some optional excursions.

#### **DEPART AND REFLECT**



We'll continue to see the beauty of Southern Africa with a fullday land and boat safari at Chobe National Park in Botswana. Get ready to see the amazing wildlife of the region (you never know which animals will come out for us)!

## **DEPART / REFLECT**



Today is the end of our journey together- can you believe it? We will be sharing everyone's emails after you return back home so you can keep in touch, plan a meetup, and keep sharing your thoughts as you reflect back on the journey.

## A LETTER FROM OUT PARTNER

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Welcome to Zambia... what we like to call the REAL Africa! We are privileged to host you in our country for the next nine days and believe it will be a trip of a lifetime.

My name is Charles Mumba and I am the Executive Director of Hope Ministries, a nonprofit organization providing education, nutrition and health care to more than 400 of Zambia's most vulnerable children. My wife and I began to reach out to orphans in Zambia through our local church in 2003, and officially founded Hope Ministries two years later. When we met the Spark co-founders, we were receiving funding from some friends and relatives in the United States, but we did not have enough money to meet the needs of our community.

We formalized our partnership with Spark Ventures in 2007 after having met Rich Johnson, Scott Barbeau and Dan Marcus on their first visit to Zambia in the summer of 2006. To say that this relationship has changed our lives is an understatement. Prior to the support of Spark, we had no feeding program, no clinic activity and we often could not pay teacher salaries. Today, we have our own campus with facilities and staff to serve the children who we believe will grow and mature to become Zambia's future leaders! We are always thrilled to have visitors - especially friends from Spark Ventures and Ignite. Zambians are very friendly and this is a peaceful country. You are most welcome here and we hope this will be the first of many visits you will make.

Please do not hesitate to let us know if there is anything you need or that we can do to make your visit more comfortable. I look forward to spending time with you in the coming days. Na to tala, Thank you.

Charles Mumba, Executive Director, Hope Ministries

