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Shirley's Snapshot: Happy Thanksgiving

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Happy Thanksgiving!



I have arrived safely in Zambia and due to an unexpected flight cancellation and rebooking, I actually got to spend Thanksgiving in my little house instead of driving for 10 hours! For that I am very, very grateful. on my drive I stopped and saw a turkey for sale (very unusual in Zambia). I had a moment of excited wonder until I saw the price...k1600 (\$70), well, it was a nice thought!

I am thankful for a safe drive, my luggage arriving safely, getting to sleep in my own bed last night and for YOU! Thanks for journeying with me and I pray you have a wonderful Thanksgiving day and a restful weekend!





The Soap Story!

Many of you have heard the story of how one of our ministry leaders worked with a community of ladies in Senegal after our community development training. She quickly applied what she learned. She discovered with the community that there was a lack of access to soap. The end result was a big shift in the ministry from making handbags that didn't have a market to making all kinds of soaps which met a felt need in the community and now has become a steady source of income for several of them. They inspired me and I tried making soap myself. What a fun process and many thanks to those of you who joined me in the learning process! Fun fact: you can find 'Hope Soap' for sale at a Craft Show at the Peace United Church of Christ on December 6 from 8am-1 pm. Check it out if you are in the area!



The Name of Jesus is Wonderful!

In just three days, Advent begins! There is something special about preparing our hearts and minds to celebrate the birth of Jesus! This year I would like to invite you to take 2-3 minutes each day to meditate on one of the names of Jesus and pray it over your family, your community, your area and even a part of the world where people don't really know the name of Jesus. I will be sharing a scripture and name of Jesus every day starting November 30 in this <u>Advent 2025 WhatsApp Group</u>. I'd love for you to join me!



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