

July Prayer Focus: The Falconer Home

The Falconer Children's Home was founded in 1947 by Lilias Falconer, a nurse from Manchester. It is situated in Kabulamema, a remote province in the NW of Zambia.

The Falconer Trust was set up in 1980 to support the work of the orphanage and Neil Starling from our congregation is currently the manager of the trust.

For more information about the Children's Home and Orphanage, please go to www.thefalconertrust.org where you will find all the up-to-date news, including the latest video diary about the work going on at the home.

This July, Neil has asked us to join together and pray for the following:

- First thanksgiving for the fact that the Customs Exemption Certificate has finally been renewed (a very long and arduous process!), which should mean that the customs clearance process should become a little easier.
- The home has had five new babies in recent weeks two sets of twin girls, and another girl. They are doing well, but there is a constant need for supplies of formula milk, which I am having to send via DHL at great expense, as they are unable to purchase it locally.
- The Home is facing huge challenges regarding buildings. The roof of the main house desperately needs to be replaced, but to do this, alternative accommodation must be prepared for the children. Social Welfare insists that even temporary accommodation must meet all the requirements for sanitation, space, fire regs etc. (which, of course, none of the buildings currently do!). Simon and his team are therefore working flat out to build a girls' dorm, converting the old derelict church. The whole project has become vastly bigger, more time consuming, and more expensive than originally thought. We at the Trust cannot humanly see a way of being able to finance it, so please pray for a financial miracle!
- A few weeks ago, Mama Lisa, the senior carer of the children, passed away from a chest infection. She had been part of the Home all her life. Please pray for the remaining staff, and the children at this difficult time.