COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

KANDYIANA:

Kandyiana is our home for the elderly, located at the back of the Mission Hospital. The residents enjoy visits from guests, and volunteers are welcome to help out the caregivers by cleaning rooms and/or helping with cooking and/or laundry.

MEDICAL VOLUNTEERING:

If you are qualified and wish to volunteer in a medical capacity, please email Paula for additional information. These are accepted on a case-by-case basis.

HUT BUILDING:

The Lozi tribe we live with and alongside in Mwandi desire to keep their rich traditions and culture alive, carried on by future generations. They do not believe in having orphanages, and as a result, children who are left behind (almost always due to AIDs), are taken in by extended family, usually an elderly person. Some families may suddenly find themselves with anywhere from two to ten children to care for, ranging in age from infants to teenagers. Their family huts can suddenly no longer accommodate everyone, or are falling down.

Our hut building project began in 2007, and as of May 2021, 191 homes have been built by Compass Zambia volunteers. Every family member and usually some neighbors help out, and volunteers are able to forge friendships with the Lozi tribe members and see firsthand the living conditions in a typical Zambian village. There is always a job for someone, no matter their age. Building a home for a family already devastated by loss of parents or other family members from AIDs can help build this community so they may continue passing their traditions and culture along to their children.