

Rotary Club of Palgrave?s Weekly Rotary Minute

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My wife and I were lucky enough to have taken a wonderful trip to southern Africa this past summer.

We spent a number of days in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe and Livingstone, Zambia. We had planned to take advantage of one of the benefits of being a member of Rotary, which is the ability to attend, and be welcomed at, a meeting of any Rotary Club worldwide. Unfortunately, our travel dates did not enable us to attend the regular weekly meeting in either city. However, we were fortunate enough to meet one of the local Victoria Falls Club members. Their relatively small club (only 14 members), and similarly the neighbouring Livingstone club with 16 members, are doing some excellent local community work.

Interestingly, the average club size in both countries is only 22 members. We visited the local Rotary Park, which they built and maintain, which includes a playground for children. We also visited a new project they are undertaking, turning an unused building into a preschool and kindergarten.

I was very proud to be a Rotarian after seeing the great work these very small rotary clubs were doing in their local community.

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