



# The CHALLENGE of Africa

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## God' Solution to Save the World

*"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)*

## WANT TO SCHEDULE A CHIMALA MISSION PRESENTATION?

When I am not overseas or on the road, I schedule appointments for presentation reports to supporting churches or churches interested in learning more about the **Chimala Mission**.

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## *This Holiday Season, give HOPE...*



## HOPE FOR HUMANITY FUND DRIVE

As Chimala Mission closes out another year we would like to thank all our supporters who contribute to the work at Chimala. You make it possible for us to send those willing to go and help spread the Light to those living in darkness.

At the end of the year it has been our custom to ask congregations and individuals to consider taking up a special contribution for the various works at Chimala. We are grateful for your support and continue to ask for your daily prayers for this work.

**Please make your checks payable to  
Chimala Mission**

## Our 2024 Chimala Mission's Hope...

Is that each & every heart may be filled with the spirit of charity so that we may fulfill the Great Commission given by Almighty God Himself.

In these uncertain times in America, we remain very fortunate in material wealth compared to the economy in Tanzania.

Money is given from the heart and not from the pocket-book. So if you have a choice and an opportunity to give, please consider the

**HOPE FOR HUMANITY FUND DRIVE** that supports our mission.



Howell Ferguson

## ***"For Jonathan's sake"***

Years had passed following the tragic death of King Saul and his son, Jonathan on the slopes of Mount Gilboa at the hands of the Philistines.

Unknown to David, when the news arrived that Israel's King and Crown Prince were dead, those in the palace were seized with fear and fled for their lives. In the panic of terror, a nurse dropped a little 5-year-old boy, crippling him to never walk again. This little boy's name was Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan. The battle ended the rule of Saul and nearly wiped out his family. Mephibosheth grew to manhood in obscurity.

Now in quiet deliberation, King David wished to do something good in memory of his friendship with Jonathan. *"Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, to whom I may show the kindness of God? And Ziba said to the king, There is still a son of Jonathan who is lame in his feet"* (2 Samuel 9:3).

There was nothing more David could do for his good friend, Jonathan. But that didn't stop him from doing the next best thing: *"Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him kindness for Jonathan's sake?"* (2 Samuel 9:1).

What about us? At times of quietness when we're alone, what thoughts are on our hearts? Do we look for opportunities to do good? Here's the point: *the fruit of good deeds lives longer than the one who does it, and thereby can leave a blessing to others.*

Dear reader, as we approach the end of another year, would you consider making a special contribution to the Chimala Mission for the sake of someone dear from your past who you wish to remember? Or maybe there is an individual you greatly admire for their godly character who you desire to honor. Will you consider using this opportunity to keep their memory alive or honor them?. *"He being dead, yet speaketh"* (Hebrews 11:4).

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## ***Power Outage Solution***

*"Hello, Firstly let me begin by expressing my gratitude for the money that was sent to the hospital to help out with salaries. As I reported to you earlier, we have 21 people leaving at the end of this month, and we will keep dropping some more with expiry of contracts. Our expectation is that the December salaries will be way down.*

*Apart from that we are facing a serious power outage which forces us to use the hospital generator, that as you know produces unclean power which endangers the equipment. While we can't stay without power due to many patients using oxygen machines, babies on warmers, using generators is very expensive. Burton suggested that we add new 7 batteries to our solar power system, as that can help us use less money.*

*So my request here is that if there is any donor willing to donate money for seven batteries, I was told that each battery is 700,000 tshs, they will be saving a lot of lives.*

*On the neonatal unit we have constructed a little room inside the OB ward, enough for 4 beds as photos attached here under will show.*

*Tomorrow I am meeting an auditor, I plan to discuss with him on doing an audit at the hospital to prevent or reduce the risk of being penalized again, we will come up with ways to better manage our affairs as they relate to Revenue authorities.*

*Asanta Sana"*

[Note: 4,900,000 Tsh (700,000 x 7) is equivalent to just under \$2,000.



***Small Neonatal unit in early stage of construction.***

***Help Chimala Mission use our financial support more wisely!***



# GIFTS IN MEMORY OR IN HONOR OF A LOVED ONE

## IN MEMORY OF

***V. P. Black***

by Velma Scott

***Robert & Mozelle Brooks***

by Dorothy Brooks

***Max Brown***

by Rosa Brown

***Jim and Pauline Casebolt***

by Ronald & Judy Roberts

***Betty Joan Chastain***

by Larry Chastain

***Betty Joan Chastain***

by Larry Chastain(2)

***Jack Christie***

by Mary Frances Christie

***Andrew & Claudene Connally***

by Dale & Laura White

***Flora Bell Daniels***

by Ida Shipman

***Michael Elder***

by Jo Ann Stikes

***Yon Fortner***

by Maxie Fortner

***Ken and Dorothy Frazell***

by Dorothy Brooks

***Bruce Huddleston***

by Carolyn Herring

***Sharon Patrick Knolle***

by Mildred Patrick

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by Centerville Church of Christ

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by Jo Ann Stikes

***Dr. Jerry Mays***

by Carol Ann Clayton

***Frank Long***

by Cindy Holmes

***Dr. Jerry Mays***

by Sandra Mays Hood

***WC Miller***

by Dorothy Brooks

***Theresa Ann Patrick***

by Mildred Patrick

***Wayne & Charlynn Rogers***

by Larry & Karen Rogers

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by Carol Ann Clayton

***Martha Ann Scaife***

by Centerville Church of Christ

***Martha Ann Scaife***

by Howell & Mary Ferguson

***Martha Ann Scaife***

by Kenneth & Katina Dickerson

***Mike & Betty Sellers***

by Larry Sellers

***Azro Smith***

by Connie Jones

***Nancy Smith***

by Claude Smith

***Bob & Millie Sullivan***

by Dorothy Brooks

## IN HONOR OF

***Ramona Beardin***

by Patsy Loden

***Dr. Frank Black***

by Good Shepherd Foundation

***Dr. Frank & Lou Ann Black***

by Good Shepherd Foundation

***Cheryl Bode***

by Thomas & Debra Sturtevant

***Claire Castleberry***

by Patsy Loden

***Dr. David Darrah***

by George Robertson

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by Patsy Loden

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*"Of whom the world was not worthy..." Hebrews 11:38*



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**Howell Ferguson**

## Building Eternal Relationships

Someone once told me, “*Much of life is about building relationships.*” Building relationships with those around us is part of being the “light” and “salt” that we are called to be. The gospel of Christ is not only about trusting God to forgive us of our sins but also about providing for us a place around His spiritual table.

To our supporters: **THANK YOU** for providing the resources that enable us to bring people into God's house—the church. There is no greater mission than inviting others into God's family. Your encouragement, prayers, and financial support empower those “in the field” to form eternal relationships with those whose hearts are tender and receptive. **Thank you!**

