

Partner with Presbyterian World Mission in **Zambia, Zimbabwe and Mozambique**

Zambia has a population of about 15 million people and about 90 percent identify themselves as Christians. The PC(USA) works closely with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), Synod of Zambia, which hosts the Zambia Young Adult Volunteer site, the Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa (UPCSA), Synod of Zambia, and Justo Mwale University. Zambia is among the poorest nations in the world. In Zimbabwe, Robert Mugabe has been in leadership since the country gained independence in 1979. His political party, ZANU-PF, controlled the government until 2008, when an election fraught with irregularities resulted in the ruling and opposition parties agreeing to share power. In 2013, however, ZANU-PF regained power. Economic stability has improved in Zimbabwe after years of debilitating hyperinflation, but many of the political and social tensions that the unity government was meant to address remain unresolved. Roughly 80 percent of Zimbabwe's 14 million people are Christians. Our Zimbabwean partners are the Presbytery of Zimbabwe of the Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa (UPCSA) and the Harare Synod of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP). In Mozambique, the PC(USA) partners with the Presbyterian Church of Mozambique (IPM). More than half of the population of 26 million is Christian. Since a lengthy civil war ended in 1992, Mozambique has made much progress in economic development and political stability, although it remains one of the world's poorest nations.



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Working together with our partners in Zambia, Zimbabwe and Mozambique

Presbyterian World Mission works with our partners in Zambia, Zimbabwe and Mozambique to respond to the needs of our partner churches, strengthen their witness to God's presence and make a transformational impact on the lives of the people. Our ministries with our partners are diverse as we work together to address all three of our critical global initiatives. They include:

- **Addressing the root causes of poverty.** We work with partners to empower people through education and through Community Health Evangelism, a program that unites evangelism, discipleship and community development. It allows communities themselves to decide their priorities for development.
- **Sharing the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ.** In addition to working in Community Health Evangelism, we are strengthening the outreach of our partner churches by helping them to train new ministers. These fast growing churches are experiencing a severe clergy shortage. We are also helping our partners to extend their ministry and witness to new regions and to show God's love to marginalized and stigmatized communities.
- **Engaging in ministries of reconciliation.** We support our partners in their efforts to address gender-based violence, and in Zimbabwe we stand with partners as they seek effective ways to minister in a difficult environment.

Meet your mission co-workers



Rev. Dr. Dustin Ellington and Sherri Ellington

Dustin and Sherri are assigned to Justo Mwale Theological University, where Dustin teaches New Testament, Greek, and preaching. In this region of Africa, the church has grown exponentially in the last two or three generations and has claimed a central role in solving the region's societal problems. Justo Mwale, which trains future pastors for service in Zambia, Malawi, Zimbabwe, and beyond, helps meet the church's critical need for more trained leaders. Sherri is serving as the site coordinator of the PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program in which she mentors the young adults as they serve in various placements as a part of the vibrant ministry of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian – Synod of Zambia. Home presbytery: San Joaquin/New Hope; *E200478, D507543*



Charles and Melissa Johnson

Charles and Melissa Johnson have been invited to help the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian's Zambia Synod (CCAP/Z) expand its ministry of community development and food security. Charles serves as a development specialist, and Melissa supports him in this role. A major focus of their work is supporting CCAP/Z's development of the Chasefu Model Farm, a sister institution of Chasefu Theological College. The farm feeds the students and also provides opportunities for future pastors to learn improved agricultural techniques. The intent is for pastors to be able to supplement their income through farming and share their agricultural knowledge with the communities they serve. Chasefu Farm also provides local farmers opportunities to learn innovative approaches to agriculture. In addition to agriculture, the Johnsons are working with the CCAP Projects and Development Department to strengthen the effectiveness of projects related to clean water, micro-credit, health, and education. "We pray that our work in Zambia will see new partnerships created which will benefit those we go to serve alongside," say Melissa and Charles. Home presbytery: Mission; *E200534, D507589*



Rev. Jeremy Garbat-Welch and Luta Garbat-Welch

Luta serves as the PC(USA) Africa Community Health Facilitator in Malawi, where she is based, and in four other countries: the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Zambia. She helps African partners develop sustainable community health programs and implement Community Health Evangelism. Jeremy, a clinically trained hospital chaplain, shares his expertise with Presbyterian clergy in Malawi. "We are called to serve God by living holistic lives of faith and health and sharing God's message of wholeness with others," they write. "We hope that through our lives and work that we will help others live lives of wholeness and healing for others and the world." Home ecclesiastical body /presbytery: Hurstbourne Christian Church, Louisville, KY/ Mid-Kentucky; *E200515, D507577*



Rev. Janet Guyer

Janet is serving as the Regional Facilitator for Women and Children's Interests. She accompanies African partners as they strive to address the marginalization of women and children in their communities. She assists with strategic planning, works with women leaders as they seek to expand their skill sets, supports initiatives that promote the well-being of women and children, and encourages relationship-building among women across Africa. She also engages with Presbyterian Women and other US constituencies to come alongside and promote these efforts. Janet's ministry focuses on the countries of Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Ethiopia. Janet has been under mission appointment since 1989. Home presbytery: Pittsburgh; *E200351, D506385*



Nancy Collins

As the regional liaison for East Central Africa, Nancy facilitates PC(USA) relationships with partner churches and institutions in Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, and Zambia. Her special focus is on partners' work related to evangelism, leadership development, and church growth. Nancy also provides support for other mission personnel in the region and assists PC(USA) congregations and presbyteries that want a relationship with partners in East Central Africa as well as helps to facilitate current partnerships. Home presbytery: Southern New England; *E200471, D506149*



Dr. Douglas Tilton

As the regional liaison for Southern Africa, Doug facilitates the PC(USA)'s partner relationships, supports other mission personnel, and works with presbytery and congregational partnerships. He also has responsibilities for facilitating PC(USA) World Mission advocacy efforts in Africa in cooperation with the Office of Public Witness. He works in Lesotho, Madagascar, Mozambique, South Africa, and Zimbabwe. "I am excited and grateful when we are able to help each other discern and apply our respective gifts to strengthen our mutual capacity to do justice, to share the good news of the gospel, and to promote reconciliation so that all may enjoy life in fullness," Doug says. Home presbytery: Heartland; *E200416, D507200*

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