

ZIMBABWE MISSIONS

- Serving The Lord Through Evangelism, Encouragement, and Education -



PLANTING SIPABA CHURCH OF CHRIST



Meeting with the community members about the church.



Meeting with the Village Head about the church.

We are inspired by the example of Paul and his coworkers as they went about establishing congregations in various areas. What humbles us and gives us direction in our efforts is the example he left. It is very clear Paul never claimed ownership of these churches nor did he seek glory and praise for his efforts. Instead what we see is Paul giving all glory to God, and we want emulate that same attitude as we plant churches *for* Christ!

We are very excited to share with you this new church plant at the Mawabeni area. The name of the specific village is Sipaba and hence the name of the church - Sipaba Church of Christ. The church here began meeting on the 20th of October 2019.

The background began from an unfortunate incident, but from it something wonderful was born. A member of the Amazon Church of Christ lost a sibling, and asked us to conduct the funeral at her home village of Sipaba.



Bear Valley Bible Institute

Training preachers to be financially self-sustaining



Growing The Team

Meet the newest members of the Zimbabwe Missions team



Learn More About Our Teammates

Quick facts about the new additions



“Meet-and-greet” after the first Sunday service.

After the funeral the local community people asked if a church of Christ could be planted in this area as there was no church at all in this village. Ever since its inception over 20 people have been baptized already! We praise God for this. We currently meet on Sundays from 9am to 11am at one of the member’s home. We are so pleased to inform you that we already have a prospective piece of land where the church

buildings will be constructed all thanks to one of the members who gave away her farming land for the Lord’s Church.

Working With Bear Valley Bible Institute - Zimbabwe

We happy to be working with the Bear Valley Bible Institute of Zimbabwe (BVBI-Z). Nkosi had the opportunity to teach the Book of Romans for a week at their base in Gweru.



What BVBI-Z is doing is very great for the church, and we are optimistic that their work will have a great impact on the Lord’s body in Zimbabwe. They teach preachers not only to preach but also to be financially self-sustaining. This concept is very crucial especially in Africa since many churches particularly those in the rural areas cannot afford to pay their preachers. With traits like farming and raising livestock under their belts, these preachers will be able to partake in vocational ministry providing for their families while doing the Lord’s work.



The blessing in this working relationship with BVBI-Z is that they will become the “supplier” of trained preachers for our church planting initiatives. Nkosi and William plan on helping BVBI-Z wherever needed. Br. Muchingami is the current director of the institute.

GET TO KNOW THE NEW TEAMMATES AT A GLANCE

SIMANGALISO JAMELA

Program Director

Simangaliso is married to Synodia Chinanga and blessed with one child. He holds a degree in Library and Information Science. He is currently studying towards a Diploma in Theology from Bear Valley Bible Institute. He grew up in Bulawayo attending the Nkulumane Church of Christ.

· Birthday: 3 February

· Favorite Color: Blue

· Hobby: Mountain climbing; Gym

· Favorite Verse: 2

Corinthians 5:7



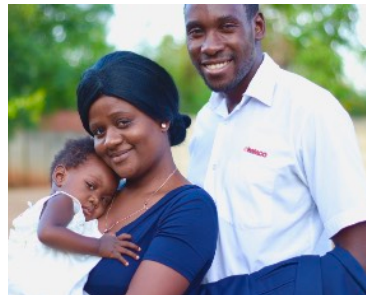


Growing The Team

Ephesians 4:16 From whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Teamwork in ministry reminds us and essentially humbles us in that this work is not about one person but instead about The One who died for all. This is why we are so excited to see the team grow. We know that every team member added will help strengthen and build up the body of Christ.

Joining the team is Simangaliso Jamela and Sekai Malunga. Br. Jamela and Nkosi go all the way back to the days when they were in the youth group together. Jamela is a faithful member of the Lord's church, and enjoys working for Him. He holds the position of Program Director in our team, and he oversees the Scriptures For Souls program which hopes to get Bibles in the native language in the hands of members of the church who cannot afford to buy God's Word.



Another new member of our team is Sekai Malunga. Sekai is from the village of Amazon in the Filabusi region. We first met Sekai at the first church plant we were involved in. She has since been growing in the Lord, and has put on Christ in baptism. She is the Receptionist in our team, and she also helps out with feeding program.

It has always been the intention of Zimbabwe Missions to have both Americans and Zimbabweans on the team. We believe this is essential for the continuity of the ministry in Zimbabwe. We hope to bring together like minded God fearing Christians to help accomplish Christ's mission for us to share the Good News. We hope that we can help many to come to know the Lord and strengthen His body.

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SEKAI MALUNGA

Receptionist

Sekai is from Amazon Filabusi. We got to know Sekai at the Amazon Church of Christ, and we loved that she loved the Lord. She says she is simple but smart, a kind and loving person, and God fearing.

Birthday: 24 December

Favorite Color: Navy Blue and peach

Hobby: Reading; Listening to music; Watching TV

Favorite Verse: Psalm 119:105



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