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MUTARE SCHOOL OF PREACHING

Church of Christ

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved” (II Tim. 2:15)

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NARRATIVE REPORT

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2024

1.0 Introduction

“Whom have in heaven but you? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides you, (Psalms 73:25 NKJV). MSOP seeks to equip young people for the ministry, while understanding the need for and dependence upon God, being intimate with the Almighty.

2.0 Praying for the rains.

Zimbabwe’s drought situation is impacting grossly on the operation of the school and evangelism countrywide. These recurrent droughts have affected our agriculture heavily, food security, water availability and other compounded challenges. Join us in prayers for this season, to ask God to remember us in this desperate situation (James 5:17-18 RSV).



The piece of land at the school and Arda school plot ready for planting on the onset of rains. It is still dry, hot and windy. Holes have been dug deep enough to keep the moisture when the rains come.

The baboons are ravaging anything green because of the drought and nothing to feed on. Baboons are moving from hill to hill and mountains, are coming down to homes to search for food.

3.0 School Activities and Updates:

The school is in third term of the tri semester system on the learning calendar and this is summer, which is very hot ranging from 32- 38 degrees Celsius (89.6F-95F) and no rains in most parts of the country. This learning period will close on December 1, 2024 until January 7, 2025 for a new learning year. Without fans or air con it makes it very hard to study and learn, particularly for our students as they prepare for their end of year terminal examinations. In spite of these inhibiting conditions our teachers and students had a successful examination season.



Students putting into practice chicken rearing skills. Zondai checking on the health of chickens.



The greenhouse garden has been a blessing this time around, with cabbages, rape, stunga and cucumbers. Zondai an agriculture attaché has his feet and expertise on the ground working alongside our students passing skills to the students. The open garden has been ravaged by baboons.



Cucumbers are ripening each day and increasing in size for the market and local consumption.

4.0 Examination Time.



Students seriously taking their terminal examinations after intense coaching and study.

5.0 Students Involvement in Church Work:

For the past two months the staff and students were heavily involved in weekend outreach activities, door-to-door visits, gospel meetings, WBS seminars, counselling sessions at Rehabilitation centres and visiting nearby congregations to teach, song lead, preach, admonish and conduct trainings for leaders and youths. The school is working in partnership with several congregations around the country but mostly those close to the school.

Chinamanhanzva Gospel Meeting

The students were invited to attend and participate in the pre-gospel meeting evangelism in the Chinamanhanzva community where the gospel meeting took place. They were engaged in a personal evangelism, door to door visit, personal work classes and hybrid teaching program. During the gospel meeting, our students preached some led and taught classes. Their skills were spiritually enhanced by learning from experience of preaching the gospel. Members were edified and restored.

DATE: 30/09/24.

TO: THE STUDENT'S DEAN.

FROM: THE STUDENTS WHO WENT TO CHINYAMANKHANZA LECTURESHIP.

REF: CHINYAMANKHANZA ANNUAL LECTURESHIP PROCEEDURES.

Stewart, Panchisa, Hope Sadai and Tendele Kumburani went to Chinyamankhanza annual lectureship in company of Mokeresi senior on the 27/09/24, at around 7:00 pm.

We traveled and arrived safe and we were all received by the hosting congregation minister Mufumbeo Chikono with two warm hugs. The schedules were handed to all of us at the immediate moment and one of us was asked to lead the first session in song leading and Brother Sadai had to participate in that. And we had two preachers that first quarter. The following day I was the first to give a sermon with a title 'outer at mother'. There was another preacher again between us in the middle and then thirdly came in now now other than T. Kumburani with a topic 'But's conversion' and that was the end of 4:00 p.m.

To: The Dean of Students Mukur School of Preaching (MR Gushushu)

From: Tinas Nyangani

Re: The tombstone unveiling done in Dungamwura on 05-10-24

Date: 07-10-24

This report serves to inform you on the Tombstone unveiling done for Sister Mary and Irene Manda done on Saturday at Dungamwura Cemetery as well as the activities done. The school provided transport for us to go and also take part at the proceedings. At the Graveyard Brother George Mazona preached at both the graves and also participated in the unveiling processes. We then returned home and did a service and it was as follows:

Chairperson → Brother Makarichi
 Songleader → Brother Mokeresi
 Speaker → Brother Mazona

On behalf of the students I would like to express my gratitude for the kind gesture of providing transport so that we learn on such occasions. This enhances our skills and makes us better equipped to do the Lord's work in Ministry.

For every visit, involvement, church work or outing by students reports are given every time.

Mt Zuma (WBS Seminar October 7, 2024)

Nyangani (2nd year student) participated in the Mt Zuma WBS Seminar as a way to gain experience and exposure to how to use this tool. Working alongside experienced preachers and teachers, the revisits were tremendous. Results of this participation to Nyangani, enhances his competencies in using the WBS tool and networking with mature preachers and getting to know the community and its need for gospel.



Harvesting souls for Christ, is the thrust for our training at MSOP as we prepare students.



To: The Dean of Students, Makore School of Preaching (Mr. Gushakusha)
 From: Tinas Nyanjani
 Re: Feedback on World Bible School Seminar in Becha Mt. Dema High School
 Date: 07-10-24

This report serves to inform you on the activities done in Becha on the World Bible School Seminar at Mount Dema High School. I left the school on Thursday around 12:00 clock and went to Becha town to board a bus. I managed to get transport, a minibus which was departing for Becha. I arrived around 18:30 in Becha at Mount Becha. Brother Zusa Mwachara, Mashabe and Kudzo Kuzipa received me well. We slept late in the night preparing lessons as well as some tasks for grouping students as well as class people. The following morning we woke up at around 05:00 hrs to pitch the tent and as well as registering students. At 08:00 hrs we had started registering students as well as parents, it was also coupled with the school speech and Prize-giving day. We did lessons and we were grouped in pairs. I was with Brother Mubet. Brother Zusa and Brother Marango were together. Brother Kuzipa was with brother Mubet and Doctor Mwanza was with Brother Terrence Mwa from Bechele. All in all I managed to see about sixty-two (62) baptisms for pupils and other graduates also expressed willingness to be added to the Lord's church. However all in all this was a good learning experience as I managed to observe how to use World Bible School as a tool for evangelism and to strengthen the number of youths and even older people in the church. I would like to thank the school administration for offering me this opportunity to sharpen my evangelism skills and also learn new things.

WBS is a tool that has defied all boundaries, borders, ages and institutions it goes beyond.

Pastoral Care Counselling Services Rehab Centre

Drug, Alcohol and Substance Abuse is reality and a cancer in our community and immediate communities. To face this reality and impact on the young generation our students went out and spend time at a rehabilitation Centre, counselling and helping the clients, mostly young people of their age group. These are the realities, to be faced when they get into the field. This brought awareness to students and needed preparation to help out

Nyatate Gospel meeting

To keep our students active with hands-on and gaining the necessary experience and skills enhancement they participated in the pre-evangelism campaign and the gospel meeting

To: The Student Dean, Makore School of Preaching (Mr. Gushakusha)
 From: Tinas Nyanjani
 Ref: Weekend report for days 1-3 March weekend Preaching
 Date: 05 March 2024

On Friday the 1st of March Brother Mbwana and I travelled to Muzakomba Church of Christ in Suhera for an evangelism program as well as weekend preaching. On our first day we managed to visit 2 households, namely the Ivaludze family as well as the Mwaisha family. We then went home for rest as it was late. On Saturday we managed to visit the Kuseyati family before going for evangelism. After that we then proceeded to carry on with our mission. We travelled to a place called Manyokota village where we have a strong brother in Christ Mr. Chikondwa. Being part of our plan we then held a service at his homestead after having done our teaching lessons. The main service was focused on being steadfast in Christ. There were also bible classes for the youth as well as the Sunday school. Youth were taught on worship and how to overcome contemporary issues like drug and substance abuse, pre-marital sex and also pressure from social media which is negative. After the program we also visited sister Chikondwa's house, the brother's mother to brother Chikondwa as she was not feeling well. On Sunday we then had our main service in which Brother Mbwana led on the bible class as well as the Lord's supper. Brother Mwanza was the songleader, brother Mbwana was the chairman and I preached. We were 22 in attendance and our giving was \$145. After the service we did some visitations to sister Njerere's house, sister Elma's house as well as some other households. On finishing our work we then proceeded to rest waiting to go and look for transport to return.

10/05/24
 Tinas Nyanjani

To: The Dean of Students, Makore School of Preaching (Mr. Gushakusha)
 From: Tinas Nyanjani
 Re: Report on Funeral One in Sumbulamba, Fickie Area on 12-10-24
 Date: 14-10-24

On Saturday I went to Sumbulamba for the funeral of our sister in Christ, Talent Mwedzi. I was received well by the Resident Minister, Brother Chomanga. I also arrived just in time for the Church service which was as follows:

Chairman → Bro Mgwilidze
 Songleaders → Bro Beni & Sudi
 Preacher → Bro Gushakusha

Brother Gushakusha preached a good sermon with the title "Kuchidukha". All in all we were about seven (7) preachers who showed up and Brother Ben qualified over the burial, with Brother Gushakusha assisting him. I would like to thank the Admin for offering me this platform to learn and sharpen my skills in ministering.

14/10/24
 Tinas Nyanjani

Practicals are an integral part of our training in equipping our students for the ministry.

Other outside Classrooms Programs

We have abundant opportunities for our students to explore and put into practice what they learn and gain more skills outside the classroom. Other programs they participated in include tombstone unveiling services, funerals, burial processes, memorial services, WBS Seminars, prison visits, hospital visits, community functions and several campaigns for Christ.



Prison Ministry seminar being facilitated by Zimbabwe Prisons and Correctional Service.



This seminar equipped our students and participants on how to make an impact in prisons. The seminar was running under the theme “Rehabilitation and Integration- A Collective Responsibility.” The prison rules and regulations that guide the ministry were explained, emerging challenges and opportunities were tabled for the church to explore in fulfilling the call into Prison Ministry.

6.0 Pact Missionaries visits

Jefta Mugweni the Pact Missionaries President visited the school, presented a paper, encouraged the students and donated some stationary and PA system hardware for use by the school during outdoor services. The donation was greatly appreciated.

7.0 Field Practice for 2025

Second year class preparation for 2025 one year field practise/ internship is at an advanced stage. This is an integral component of our intensive training. Every student will be attached to a congregation and a mentor to test, feel what ministry is like. As for 2025 the following places have been selected and accepted to help our students for a year:

Name	Congregation	Place	Mentor
Do it and Ashley Mushumbi	Demberere COC	Marange	Mafusire
Tendayi Kambarami	Hillsvie	Mutare	Marange
Tinotenda Beni	Hobhouse	Mutare	Mazen
Trevis Nyangani	Mtoko Centre	Mutoko	Bere
Annamore Maruke	Nyamauru	Mutare	Gushakusha
Diana Mushanawani	Chaplaincy	Igava Mission	Igava Chaplain
HoitsimolimMapfunde	Chaplaincy	3 Brigade (army)	3 Brigade Chaplain

8.0 Graham Street Church of Christ Computers Upgrading Grant Challenge:



October 28, 2024

Brethren,

This summer my son, Aaron, and I visited MSOP during our time in Zimbabwe. Graham Street has supported mission work in Zim for over forty years. We continue to be impressed by what the school is doing for the Kingdom in the face of very challenging economic times.

One pressing need is computers and upgraded internet service. We discussed this need with Nhamo during our visit. There is a wealth of valuable online Bible courses and recorded courses available for the school's students. To that end, we have personally made a \$3,000 challenge donation for computers and related equipment to be matched 1 for 1. Lord willing, perhaps even more than \$4,000 can be raised. Their antiquated computer room could easily use twice that amount.

Nhamo asked me to write a letter explaining the challenge. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me:

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9.0 Greenhouse Activities

Zondai Mazenza, an agriculture student attaché at MSOP has greatly enhanced and improved our greenhouse activities. Currently, cucumbers are being harvested and on sale vegetables for the kitchen are available. Cabbages are in the maturing level. Drip irrigation and protection of crops from wild animals has been helpful.

10.0 Arda Plot Efforts

Land has been prepared and waiting for the rains. We hope to plant maize and sugar bean as the rain season improves. However drip irrigation once set up will be helpful. We plan to launch piggery and cattle project at this site if Lord willing.



Water tank (10 000 litres) being mounted at the plot and land preparation ready for the rains.

11.0 Impact of Donations on MSOP:

Sunset Bible Institute Scholarship Matching Challenge:

This blessing has increased our student population from 10 to 15 for the 2025 class and also enhanced our operation budget.

In an effort to keep training faithful preachers of the gospel for Zimbabwe and beyond, Sunset International Bible Institute has launched a Matching Challenge for anything up to USD\$8,000.00 for the year 2025. However, this matching challenge will continue yearly for the next three (3) years (2024-2026). This call for 2025 will see preacher students being scholarshiped at Mutare School of Preaching, Zimbabwe. The matching challenge will go towards tuition fees and boarding for ten students per year.

You can give, mail or check out to: Sunset International Bible Institute 3723 34th ST. Lubbock, TX 79410 or Hillcrest Church of Christ 650 East Ambler Avenue, Abilene TX 79601 phone: 325-691-4200 for: Mutare School of Preaching (MSOP) Zimbabwe. Thank you for partnering with us to evangelize the world.

World Video Bible School Flush Drives

This library resource was distributed to church leaders, teachers and our students who will use it while on one year field practice. They will use the resource to teach congregations, new converts and evangelism purposes and further develop themselves through study. This library resource for sermons, bible classes, training material study guides and evangelism material has greatly helped our students and congregations. This is greatly appreciated.



The second year class ready to go for one year field practice holding up WVBS flush drives.

Sunset International Bible Institute Portuguese Solar Players

This training and teaching tool was distributed to the Portuguese speaking community in Mesica, Mozambique (SIBI satellite school) and to Tongogara Refugee camp. Follow up on both communities was done and the results are on- going. The gospel had been preached, conversion comes from the Lord. A training program started at Mesica, congregation in Mozambique while a campaign is being planned for the refugee camp in Tongogara

We are very much grateful for such gifts which enhance our ministry training in a collaborative manner. We thank all those who work behind the scenes for these gifts to reach us as resources for training and development.



Hughbert Collier (Graham Street church of Christ) facilitated Starlink connection at MSOP.

12.0 Thanksgiving Message

To our brothers and sisters in the USA, I take this moment to express my deepest gratitude for you being part of our Mutare School of Preaching community. Our mission is to equip preachers of the gospel to evangelize the world and populate heaven. Thank you for being part of that. In the spirit of Thanksgiving, as you have ready celebrated the holiday in the U.S., I am reminded of a profound quote by William Arthur Ward:

"Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings."

Your engagement, support, prayers and enthusiasm have been a constant source of motivation for us. These make our today brighter and also illuminate our path for tomorrow. **Once again, thank you for being part of our journey.** Wishing you and your loved ones a belated Happy, joyful and blessed Thanksgiving! We treasure your donation and matching up.

13.0 Appreciation for Financial and Material Support

We are so thankful to all our sponsors and supporters both local and foreign for the financial and material support towards the school. Your prayers and encouragement brought us thus far. However, we continue to lobby with all local individuals and congregations to double their efforts to meet the school needs. If we all get involved in this work it will become easier. If you have any question concerning the school please feel free to contact us on the details below.

Material Donations:

Chinamanhanzva COC:

- 4liters cooking oil; 20kg mealie-meal;

Mutare Ladies Fellowship:

- 25kg rice

PACT Missionaries:

- 20 reams bond paper; smart printer (for students); 2 boxes staple pins; 6 ink tubes; 5 bags maize; 2 staplers; 2 punchers; game pack.

Bank Details:

To get a tax cut from our USA partners, choose to give to Hillcrest church of Christ, 650 E Ambler Ave, Abilene, TX 79601 designated to other with a note: Mutare School of Preaching or made online.

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