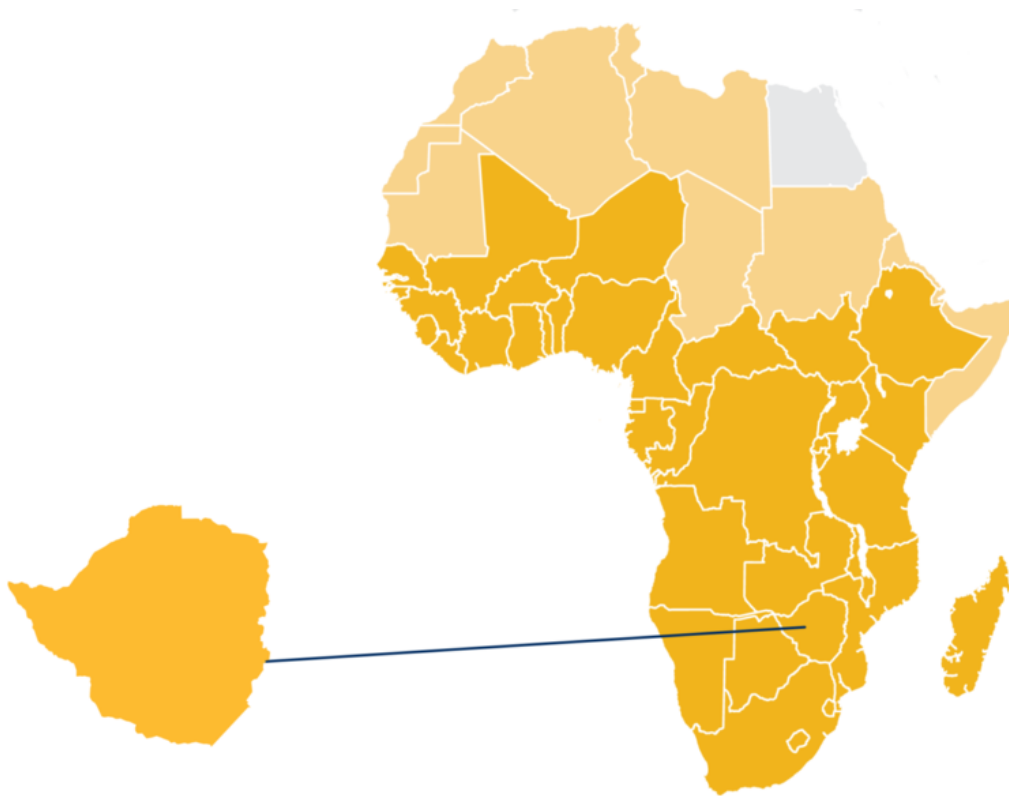


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Zimbabwe

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Zimbabwe in 1963. Zimbabwe is a landlocked country in southern Africa known for its beautiful landscape and diverse wildlife. It has a population of approximately 15.1 million people. The main languages spoken are Shona, Ndebele, and English. Zimbabwe is a country that has experienced much political turmoil that has led to many struggles. However, God remains faithful to the people of Zimbabwe and continues to use the church as a beacon of hope and light.



14,401 Members



62 Fully Organized Churches and 29 Not Yet Fully Organized Churches across 3 districts



61 District Licensed and 74 Ordained Ministers

PRAYER



- Pray for the provision of resources for furthering the Gospel in Zimbabwe.
- Pray that God will provide funds for each district to have its own district mission center.
- Pray that God will help foster a spirit of unity amongst diversity.
- Pray that God will continue calling young people to missions and that they would boldly proclaim the Gospel.



PRAISE

- We thank God for the success of all the programs that NMI and other local church ministries carried out in their respective districts.
- We praise God for the successful district assemblies that took place this year.
- We thank God for ministers and leaders who faithfully serve the church.



Midlands District - Zimbabwe on the move



The Zimbabwe Midlands District started in February 2017 under the leadership of the late Rev Noah Sibanda as the first district superintendent. Rev Margareth Sibanda, the current and interim district superintendent, took over the leadership of the district in 2021 after the unexpected passing of her husband in January 2021. While mourning the death of her husband, God gave her the courage and strength to take over the great work that started in this district.

In her own words, Rev Sibanda said, “As a pastor’s wife for many years, a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, most of all a Christian, God has placed in my heart a passion for evangelism. I have learned that evangelism is not a professional job for a few trained men or women, but instead it is the unrelenting responsibility of every person who belongs to the company of Jesus Christ.”

During a recent trip to Chirumhanzu, Rev Sibanda witnessed the successful organizing of one of the three preaching points in that area which led to the formation of two organized churches in that area under the leadership of Pastor Katazo.

At a church in Masvingo, the district managed to drill a borehole for the people in that local church and the community who needed clean drinking water. They also bought and installed an electrical generator for the church, tank stands, and 5,000-litre water tanks so that the people have a fully functioning water system. At the same church, the district participated in a ground-breaking for the building of the church sanctuary and pastor's parsonage, which have already begun.

The good news in the Midlands continues again with another successful water project in a location called Battlefields. The district managed to install a borehole, solar panels, and piping. Now the people have plenty of much-needed clean water. The district will soon start the construction of two toilets and a parsonage at this church.

While many challenges have been experienced due to the effects of COVID-19, which resulted in the loss of the first DS of the Midlands District and several church members, the last two years have seen the churches on the Midlands District continue to reach out in new areas of ministry, gathering the necessary resources needed by the people of the church in the Midlands.

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