- **29** Tu p that the young people in the FoY groups would live godly lives and resist the temptations that are strewn across their paths.
- 30 We t that sound bible knowledge is taught.
- **31** Th t for those that have gone into ministry following membership of FoY.

January

Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Mozambique

Chairman Joao Thupilifa and his deputy Benjamin Savanthenga; General Secretary Zakariya Bulawayo and his deputy David Waite; Treasurer Ernest Sakwiya.

- 1 Fr p there are strict requirements to make churches in Mozambique COVID-secure. Many cannot afford to implement these measures.
- 2 Sa p Mkangwe ZEC has been charged for failing to implement the necessary measures.
- 3 Su t the synod office have plans to farm their land, growing soya, beans, maize and tomatoes.
- 4 Mo p as with many churches, income has been affected by the pandemic.
- 5 Tu p violence from Islamic militants in coastal areas of north-eastern Mozambique is worsening.

ZEC Mozambique Regional Superintendents and Churchplanting

Regional Superintendents: Ps Jamieson Midiasi - West; Ps Joachim Lihama - East.

- **6** We p Moatize ZEC still need to purchase land to build their church.
- 7 Th t for Steven Jose, pastor at Moatize, who is engaging with people and sharing Christ in the town and surrounding villages.



The Moatize church plant congregation

January

- 8 Fr p for Milange ZEC, as the synod have decided to relocate its pastor Joshua Misomali.
- 9 Sa t COVID-19 seems to have had minimal impact on the health of rural Mozambicans.
- 10 Su t Jesus is able to transcend cultures and countries to save all who call upon His Name.

Chiyanjano (Women's Fellowship) in Mozambique Coordinator Ruth Smart and her deputy Odetta Joao.

11 Mo p for Ruth Smart and Odetta Joao as they lead the women in ZEC Mozambique.



ZEC Mozambique Chiyanjano Coordinator Ruth Smart

- **12** Tu t for the coordination between ZEC Chiyanjano groups in Malawi and Mozambique.
- 13 We p for those women in difficult circumstances. t for the support network that they have, provided by their Christian sisters.
- **14** Th t for these women who love and serve God and for the key role they play in ZEC churches.

Fellowship of Youth (FoY) in Mozambique

Francisco Fanuel Khumayo - Coordinator.

- **15** Fr t for the enthusiasm for evangelism that the Mozambican FoY members have.
- 16 Sa p for coordinator Francisco Khumayo and other FoY leaders, as they navigate complex COVID-related regulations and restrictions.
- 17 Su p 52% of Mozambicans are children under 18 years old pray that the youth would be godly.
- **18** Mo p for unity and coordination between FoY groups and church leaders.

January

River of Life Evangelical Church (RoLEC)

Leader Ps Mvula Mvula.

- **19** Tu p for God to give Ps Mvula the strength, wisdom and determination to lead RoLEC.
- 20 We t Ps Mvula was able to hold a meeting of all RoLEC pastors in December. COVID restrictions had prevented this from happening earlier.
- **21** Th t for good health of the RoLEC pastors.
- 22 Fr t the executive of RoLEC are seeking ways to make the church self-supporting.
- 23 Sa p for the six RoLEC churchplanters that **zm** is supporting across all regions of Malawi.

Children for Christ Ministry (CFCM)

Elevate Mzinga, Joseph Jeke and Lackson Makawa.

- 24 Su t for the pledges of support that have been received from donors towards CFCM's nursery school project known as "Little Lambs".
- **25** Mo p for all those involved in the Bible clubs; most restarted in October.
- **26** Tu t CFCM staff, trainers and club leaders have been able to keep in touch with each other online.
- 27 We p for unity, cooperation, tolerance and unity among community Bible club leaders and pastors.
- 28 Th t CFCM seminars have been able to resume.
- 29 Fr t their team of trainers taught 17 Sunday school teachers at Phalombe in southern Malawi in September.
- 30 Sa p for those who support CFCM in the UK and elsewhere, many of whom are still living with economic uncertainty and lockdown restrictions.
- 31 Su p that the children who come to the Bible clubs would know Jesus and live for Him.

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"I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want."

Philippians 4: 12

p means please pray... t means give thanks...

zambesi mission (zm) in the UK

Mike Beresford (Mission Director) and Trevor Matthews (Chair of Trustees and Executive Committee).

- 1 Su t for the good health of the zm UK team.
- **2** Mo p for Mike Berry as he steps down as zm's Honorary Representative for the West Midlands. *Trustees' meeting held virtually this evening.*



Mike Berry has served **zm** for six years

- 3 Tu t zm have been able to attend church services in person and also via Zoom.
- 4 We t for God's faithfulness in meeting the needs of zm's partners during the pandemic.
- 5 Th p an easing of restrictions to allow travel to Malawi to restart. Mission Director Mike Beresford has been unable to visit during 2020.
- 6 Fr t that our office staff are able to switch easily between working from home and working in the office.

November

- 7 Sa p that God would use the mission to do His work in the UK as well as in Malawi.
- 8 Su t for the Honorary Representatives and the time that they devote to serving zm.
- 9 Mo p for God to raise up new representatives they are badly needed in several parts of the UK.
- **10 Tu t** for **zm's** trustees and Executive Committee, exercising careful governance over the mission.

zambesi mission (zm) in Malawi

Simon Chikwana (Field Director), Rose Chirwa (Projects Officer) and Mercy Carlos (Field Administrator).

- 11 We t that the prevalence and impact of COVID-19 in Malawi has not been as severe as feared.
- **12** Th p nonetheless, coronavirus has still brought great economic hardship to Malawi.
- 13 Fr t for the good health of the zm Malawi team.
- **14** Sa p for a good rainy season to nourish the crops. Executive Committee meets virtually today.
- 15 Su t for the peaceful presidential re-elections.
- **16** Mo p for new President Lazarus Chakwera as he seeks to govern well.

Evangelical Bible College of Malawi (EBCoM)

Acting Principal, Pastor Molten Demester Kalima; Council Chairman, Ps Willard Muwalo.

- 17 Tu p for acting Principal Molten Kalima. He is on a very steep learning curve.
- 18 We t EBCoM reopened in October to allow existing students to complete their studies from last year.
- 19 Th t the college is gearing up to start the new academic year in January.
- 20 Fr p for EBCoM's staffing plans and for the process of appointing new lecturers.
- 21 Sa p for those who hear the call of God to Bible College and are now preparing to attend EBCoM.
- **22** Su p EBCoM's financial situation is still precarious.
- 23 Mo t for EBCoM's alumni organisation who are contributing towards the college's finances.

Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Malawi

Chairman, Pastor Chimwemwe Kanjirawaya; General Secretary, Pastor James Baisson Phiri.

24 Tu p for ZEC's synod leaders to demonstrate Christlike leadership and spiritual wisdom.

- 25 We t Mitsidi secondary school has reopened.
 p for the children returning to education.
- 26 Th p across Malawi, school closures this year have resulted in an increase in teenage pregnancies and childhood marriages.
- 27 Fr p for the Holy Spirit's inspiration as ZEC children's workers, pastors and teachers share God's word with young people.
- **28** Sa t for the vibrant enthusiasm for evangelism that pervades ZEC churches.
- 29 Su p there will be a synod meeting in December pray that God's will and plans would be known.



ZEC's headquarters at Mitsidi, on the outskirts of Blantyre, where the synod meeting will be held.

ZEC Regional Superintendents & Churchplanting

Isaac Mpanga - Upper and Lower Shire, Henry Muhiye -Eastern Malawi, Austin Njobvu - Central Malawi, Laston Musisi - South Lake Malawi, Samuel Chiyambeni - Northern Malawi.

30 Mo t 20 new churches have been planted by ZEC during this difficult period.

December

- 1 Tu t ZEC churchplanters are currently receiving their final training at Mitsidi, aimed at helping them to encourage discipleship in their churches.
- We p for the provision of bibles in preparation for discipleship training planned for January.
- 3 Th t Chitipa ZEC has a new pastor Lenard Kingwell Banda. Pray for him and his family as they adjust to ministry in this very remote area.
- 4 Fr p literacy rates tend to be lower in rural areas; this can make false teaching hard to combat.

December

- 5 Sa p for the churchplanters working to address both spiritual and physical needs in their areas.
- 6 Su p for Christ's love to be shared, especially as we enter the Christmas season.
- 7 Mo t for the good relationship that each superintendent has with their regional churches.

ZEC Chiyanjano (Women's Fellowship) in Malawi

- 8 Tu t new office bearers were elected in October for the women's national leadership in Malawi.
- **9** We p for the new leaders, that they would be steadfast and honouring to God.
- 10 Th p there are still issues of gender inequality throughout Malawi pray for the members of Chiyanjano to support and encourage one another.
- 11 Fr t for our sisters in Christ in Malawi who share our love for Jesus.
- 12 Sa p for the ladies to be able to have fellowship with each other again. Like us, Malawians have had restrictions imposed that prevent large numbers meeting together.

ZEC Health & Rural Development

Ntonda Community Hospital, plus health centres at Matanda, Mitsidi, Muluma and Nthorowa.

- **13** Su t zm have been providing PPE for ZEC's 116 healthcare workers since April.
- 14 Mo p for continued provision of PPE to these workers as the risk of COVID infection continues.



ZEC nurse/midwife Beatrice Zima carries out checks on a new mother at Nthorowa during the COVID pandemic.

December

- **15** Tu p ZEC wants to install solar lighting and power in all the staff houses at Matanda.
- **16** We t for the location of ZEC's health centres, allowing them to reach rural Malawians.
- 17 Th t for zm's support for training Christian staff to become nurses, midwives and clinical officers.
- 18 Fr t for the health workers who are diligently working to protect their patients and themselves from COVID-19.
- 19 Sa p diseases such as malaria and TB are still prevalent in Malawi.

ZEC Orphan Daycare Centres (ODCs)

At Chifunga, Nthorowa and Ntonda.

- 20 Su t the ODCs were able to re-open in October.
- **21 Mo t** the final equipment needed for the maize mill at Chifunga has arrived. **p** that ESCoM would now quickly install the new power supply.
- **22 Tu** t the rice milling machine at Nthorowa has been purchased and a new building for the machinery is being constructed.
- **23** We p some of the girls who attended the ODCs have dropped out of school due to pregnancy.
- 24 26 December



27 Su p that the women and men who teach and care for the children at the ODCs would be good spiritual role models.

Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC), Malawi Fellowship of Youth (FoY)

Pastor Jimmy Chaona, FoY Coordinator.

28 Mo t for the FoY groups; over half of Malawi's population is younger than 18 years old.