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# Mozambique



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Funding the **Mozambique Church Planting & Development (CPD)** will help resource teachers' salaries, students' food and overall expenses that would otherwise fall to students of Mozambique's Bible school and seminary.

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#### The Free Methodist Church in Mozambique

#### Origins

Three of the five missionaries who arrived in South Africa in 1885 traveled northward to Mozambique. G. Harry Agnew, one of them, built the first Free Methodist chapel in Africa.

Following the country's independence in 1975, a Marxist state developed. All Free Methodist medical work was nationalized and private schools closed. Missionaries were withdrawn from the country. The church, however, was strong and has carried on in spite of oppression.

#### **Present Ministries**

The church in Mozambique oversees the Nhaloi Hospital, the Inhamachafo Clinic and the Primary School. The Inhamachafo Evangelists Training School, started by missionaries, is still in operation. Currently, the post-secondary theological seminary in Beira is closed due to the lack of financial support to cover the expenses with teachers and internal students. FMC's work in Eswatini was going well until the beginning of Covid-19 in 2020. The missionary who was in Eswatini, António Muti, had to return to Mozambique last year. The country has also suffered several natural disasters in recent years – drought, floods and cyclones–causing significant loss and hardship. The conference has begun work in Eswatini and Angola.

#### Pray for:

- teachers to train pastors at the Beira Bible Seminary, the Inhamachafo Bible School, and the start of a new school in Maputo
- improvements in facilities and for the doctors at Nhaloi and Inhamachafo Hospitals
- Christian workers who are ministering in the northern and coastal areas
- those who suffered losses and displacements due to natural disasters

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#### **General Conference**

- Population: 32,025,000
- Evangelical Christians: 13.9%
- FM Work Opened: 1885
- FM Churches: 78
- FM Membership: 20,402
- Ordained Elders: 107
- Conference Ministerial Candidates: 22
- Bishop: Pedro Viegas Simão
- Ecclesiastical Accountability: Free Methodist World
  Conference



**Bishop Simão**