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Thank you for your partnership

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Dear beloved friends,

“I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now” – Philippians 1:3-5

As Paul wrote to Philippians, I want to thank you for your partnership with me in the gospel of Jesus. Your support and prayers are helping people to transform their lives and many of them are knowing Jesus Christ as their Saviour and the Lord. Thank you for your commitment in supporting my work here in Mozambique. May God continue blessing you, as you serve Him.

Since my last update many and good things happened in my life and work. In August I travelled to Maputo to attend the National Men's conference and the Mozambique Baptist Convention Annual Assembly. It was a good opportunity for me to meet brothers and sisters from all the country and hear the good stories about what God is doing in people's lives. During the Assembly, I had an opportunity to share with the delegates about what BMS is doing in the country through its mission workers and how we can improve our partnership and work among the churches and local communities. I testified that the new CBM board is taking over its responsibility. It was also a great joy for me to see the Baptist Convention sending its first couple of missionaries in its history. They were commissioned to work oversea in Nairobi, Kenya, where they will starting a pre-school program (PEPE), training among the English countries' speakers in North of Africa, with support from Brazilian Baptist Convention (see the picture). Please remember in prayers this couple that God will help and guide them in this new cultural context and language. Their names are David and Ana.

In September I travelled to Sussundenga District to visit our farmers in Chassimba Community and to see how they are growing vegetables. It was amazing to see that they are very engaged to grow vegetables and to apply all the training they received from our project.



Many of them are being able to feed their families and to get income from selling the vegetables and support their children fees at school. It was a great joy for me to see how the farmers are fighting against poverty and how their lives are being transformed. It's a great achievement that our agricultural project achieved in the Chassimba Community, as it gave people tools to continue growing what they need to support themselves without depending on outside.(See the picture).



God is continuing to bless our Church and its ministry, as we are growing in fellowship and prayer. On 30th September, one of our congregation's leader celebrated his marriage. He was living with his wife for a long time before he become Christian and when he received Christ as his saviour, he felt that he was disobeying God's commandments and decided to be an example for other congregation members. So, it means that the Bible studies which we are delivering to the Church are being understood and people are changing their mindset about Christian life. Our plan is to encourage all the leaders and churches' members to legalise their marriage according to civil law and in obedience of Bible teachings.

My Church and Community Mobilisation Process (CCMP) online course is going well, despite language barriers. I am doing my best and attending all monthly virtual meetings and discussions. As part of this course learning I will be starting a Bible study this month with congregation leaders and other people from the local community in Nhamatanda District, which is about 100 kilometres from Beira where I live. I will go there twice a month. Please, keep me in prayer, that God will give me wisdom to share the Gospel through Bible studies groups.

Please, join me in prayers for:

1. Municipality election which will held on 11th October, that it will be peaceful and accepted by all parties;
2. Bible study groups for CCM process learning;
3. My family and I, as we lead the church, that God gives as wisdom and humble spirits.

Thank you for reading this prayer letter and for your ongoing support for my work here in Mozambique.

May God bless you,

With love

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