

ZIMBABWE

Dear Prayer Partners,

The church is continuing to thank God during these trying times in Zimbabwe. From my personal assessment, our faith in the Lord has grown and our commitment to church programs is very satisfactory. Let me highlight some challenges our church has gone through.

Our church members are not able to run their businesses in a way that provides for their families, because the militia has told them that they must price their wares under the order price. Along with that, we are now housing church members and relatives who have run away from the countryside because their lives were in danger. In addition, the Zimbabwe dollar is no longer in use because of the inflation that has hit our once beloved country. The South African rand is now more commonly used. Every week we must raise one hundred rand to pay the church rent. The rent on our home is four hundred rand. (Roughly \$13US and \$53US, respectively.)

However, I continue to encourage my church members that God is going to deliver us from all forms of injustice, poverty and evil in our country. There was a time when Pharaoh hardened his heart, and there was a time when God Himself hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that God could show that it is He who delivers His people. The book of Exodus is giving us hope.

We continue to look to our Lord Jesus for assistance at times like this. I am keeping four families at my place who have fled violence in the rural areas. Each of my four rooms is occupied, and some sleep in my car. I am assisting another family with medical expenses who had been beaten and left for dead. I personally am not burdened because they are our Christian brothers. God is giving us enough strength, and our joy in the Lord is growing. Pray that my children will understand this situation.

Our cell groups are doing very well numerically as a result of those who ran away from the countryside. At the moment I am teaching on deliverance and hope.

I want to give my thanks to Reverend Terry for sending me financial aid. We needed it for the medical prescription of a brother. The money saved his life in a big way.

We continue to feel the presence of God in our church as we hear touching testimonies on how our brothers escaped death by a whisker. It draws us close to God each and every day.

Thank you for your prayers and kindness.

In His grace,

Pastor Bob Chimboo



BOB CHIMBOO
serving in **MASVINGO**

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Praise God for His sovereign control in every situation*
- *Pray that the Christians will remain strong in the Lord during these trials*
- *Pray that the members will be able to provide for the daily needs of their families*
- *Pray for Pastor Chimboo and his family as they shelter others in their home*
- *Pray for Zimbabwe, for deliverance from injustice, poverty and every form of evil*
- *Pray for strength, wisdom and health for Pastor Chimboo*

Jesus Christ can make the future of Zimbabwe beautiful with hope.

