

**Joint Evangelism Outreach of Reformed Churches of
Pretoria-Annlin and Pretoria-Montanapoort in South Africa
to congregations in the Zambézia Province, Mozambique –
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1. Introduction

Disciples of Jesus Christ must be obedient to the words which Jesus had spoken in Matthew 28:19 & 20 by making disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything He has commanded.

Mozambique has a population of 28 million people and the 4 North-Eastern provinces (Zambezia, Nampula, Niassa and Cabo Delgado) contain more than half of this population. A significant portion of this population have not heard about the gospel of Jesus Christ or are not accepting Him as their only saviour (e.g. Muslims, who represent 18% of the population). Some people who believe in God, also believe in ancestor worshipping and witchcraft.

A number of churches in South Africa answered God's calling by offering their assistance to Christian Churches in Mozambique to reach the non-believers in those provinces. The congregations of the Reformed Church of Pretoria-Annlin (RCPA) and the Reformed Church of Pretoria-Montanapoort (RCPM) in South Africa are two of the congregations that work in close collaboration with the Igreja Reformada em Moçambique (IRM) and more specifically with its Tumpline Synod in Milange. These two congregations have this year once again gone on a joint outreach to the Zambezia Province. The main objective was to teach the prayer house groups of the IRM what is required from a true disciple of Jesus Christ and how to make more disciples. This report tells the story of the July 2018 outreach, the wonderful blessings received from our Lord during the outreach, and the issues that need to be followed up.

2. Historical Background

The RCPA participated for the first time in an outreach to Moçambique in 2011 when a few of its members accompanied Reformed Church Strand (RCS) on their outreach. Since that year the congregation became involved every year. RCPA started to arrange its own outreaches in 2013 and towards the end of 2014, RCPM joined hands with RCPA and the two churches

worked together. In 2016, it was unsafe because of the Renamo conflict, but in that year RCPA and RCPM contributed financially so that the Mozambican co-workers could still travel to the prayer houses they wanted to serve.

In 2012 the RCS asked RCPA if they could assist the Niquide Prayer House group with the building of a church. This request was approved and the foundations were laid in 2014. RCPA would provide the finances for the materials and the Niquide members would provide labour. The Niquide members had to make their own cement bricks. After the concrete had been cast for the foundations, the RCPM also joined as a partner sponsor for this project. Today the structure has been built up to roof height.

In the beginning Annlin assisted RCS with outreaches to the congregations of Magodane and Lugela, but since 2014 the focus shifted North-East, on request of Tumbine Synod, when prayer houses of Gilé and Pebane were served.

In 2015 deputies of the Synod of the Reformed Churches in South Africa (RCSA) visited the three Synods of the IRM in order to investigate possible ecumenical ties between the two denominations.

In 2011 the Tumbine Synod of IRM requested RCPA, to contribute monthly to 8 needy pastors in their area. These pastors could no longer feed their families and needed a survival subsidy of R500.00 per pastor per month. Initially the deacons of RCPA financed the subsidies of all 8 pastors, but in the long run this was not sustainable. Other congregations of the Reformed Churches of South Africa (among them RCPM) joined RCPA and each accepted the responsibility to subsidise one pastor.

3. The Outreach Team

3.1 South African members of the outreach team

The South African component of the outreach team comprised 10 members. Seven of them were from RCPA, two from RCPM and one of the Dutch Reformed Church of Morelettapark. Members from Pretoria-Annlin were:

- Rev Attie Venter;

- Neels Slump;
- Marietjie Van Der Walt;
- Danie Pelser;
- Hannes Venter;
- Johnny Beumer, and
- his wife, Andrie Beumer.

Members from Pretoria-Montanapoort were:

- Barnie Van Heerden and
- his wife Hanlie Van Heerden

The tenth member was Evellynn Hemmens from DR Church Morelettapark

The majority of the team consisted of middle-aged and elderly people. Only Evellynn was under the age of 30. The team consisted of 4 female members and 6 male members.



From left to right, Barnie, Hanlie, Johnny, Marietjie, Neels, Andrie, Evellynn, Danie, Rev Attie and Hannes.

3.2 Mozambican members of the outreach group

The Mozambican contingent comprised a total of 8 members. The translators were:

- Pastor Fernando Alfredo from Mocuba
- Pastor Careva from Mocuba
- Pastor Jonas from Mulevala
- Cebola, teacher from Mocuba

The two youth leader trainers were

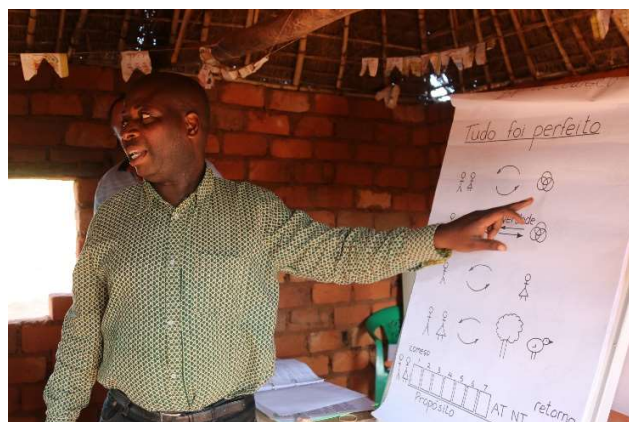
- João Benjamin from Milange
- Felizardo Victorino Alfagema from Magodane

One Synod pastor accompanied each sub-team. They were:

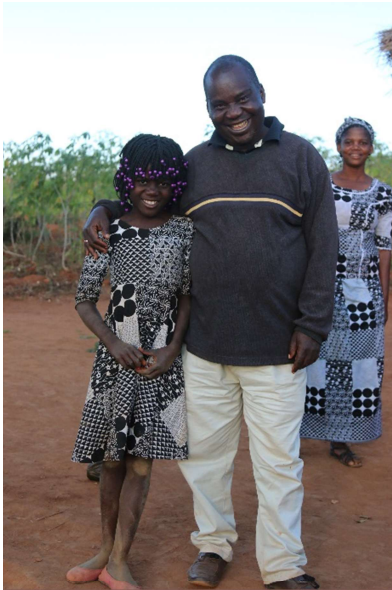
- Pastor Adolfo Mario Insacula from Milange
- Pastor Claudio Nunes Simone from Malema

All translators were proficient in English, Portuguese and Lomué which was handy as translations could be done directly from English into Lomué.

The two youth leader trainers could not speak English, but they presented their courses themselves, directly in the local language.



From left to right: Pastor Jonas, Benjamin, Filizardo,
Pastor Claudio and Pastor Adolfo



Pastor Careva with a child from Caracone

Pastor Fernando Alfredo



Cebola

4. Preparation for the outreach

An outreach of this extent requires much preparation. A meeting was called together early in the year (21 January) to determine the interest. In February the team members had to commit themselves as the training commenced on 11 February 2018. Initially 12 people (7 members from Pretoria-Annlin, 4 members from Montanapoort and one member of the Dutch Reformed Church of Morelettapark) showed interest but a married couple of Montanapoort had to withdraw as the husband's employer rejected his leave application. The team size was then set on 10 members. Three vehicles were made available by three of the team members.

Since Pretoria-Annlin and –Montanapoort churches work in close collaboration with their Mozambican co-workers, the translators and youth leader trainers had to be approached and remuneration for their services had to be negotiated.

The training of the team members started with an Orientation course. Next the team had to study a course on Servanthood. The team members were asked to study the course material

in their own time, and on 17 April Rev Attie Venter summarised the course during a training session.

Equipping the team members with the contemplated presentation material took most of the preparation time. It was decided to again present the Truth and Reconciliation course for church leaders as compiled by Rev Johannes Aucamp, associated with Training of Pastors in Africa (TOPIA). The team members had to review the presentation material in their own time. A video released by TOPIA on the Truth and Reconciliation course was also made available to all team members. It was further decided to also focus this year on the Discipleship course, which included sections on Seed Actions and the Discovery Bible Study methodology. Rev Johannes Aucamp held two training sessions in March and one in May on the above subjects. Handout booklets in Portuguese on Truth and Reconciliation and Discipleship were prepared and printed.

The material for equipping the youth leaders was provided by the Africa coordinator of the Mailbox Club, Mr Carel Strydom, and the two presenters, Benjamin and Filizardo from Milange and Magodane respectively were directly furnished with the necessary training material.

Approximately 300 sheets of colouring pictures representing well-known Bible stories, as well as crayons, were prepared for the children. A number of soccer balls (for the boys) were purchased and skipping ropes (for the girls) had previously been donated.

Portuguese, English and Lomué Bibles, audio-bibles (containing Portuguese and Lomué languages) DVDs with films, evangelism hand gloves and similar resources were also purchased. At the Pentecost celebrations this year a donation box for the purchase of Lomué bibles was set up and enough donations were received to purchase 40 Lomué bibles.

Camping equipment, power generators, projectors, sound equipment, etc. were acquired and shortages of equipment had to be purchased.

Vehicles had to comply with the requirements laid down by the Zimbabwean, Malawian and Mozambican Governments.

Preceding interaction with the Tumbine Synod was necessary. The Tumbine Synod had to draft an invitation letter in which the partnership was explained and the names and passport numbers were provided. This letter could then assist the team to progress easier through the

border posts and could also be shown to police officers, should the vehicles be stopped along the way.

Less than a week before departure, the Tumbine Synod enquired at the Milange border post if the outreach group would be allowed to enter Mozambique. The border post officials indicated that a team of 10 people was too big and in light of recent incidents of unrest in the Cabo Delgado province the officials indicated that the group would not be allowed without special permission from the provincial authority. Pastor Carlos Erbate Pedro travelled to Quelimane, the capital of Zambezia Province and the Governor insisted that each member had to submit a certificate certifying that he/she had no criminal record. The South African Police Service went out of their way and assisted to fast-track the issuing of the certificates. On the day of departure, the team hadn't as yet received the permission of the Governor and they decided to undertake the trip in good faith. An important lesson has been learnt for possible future outreaches.

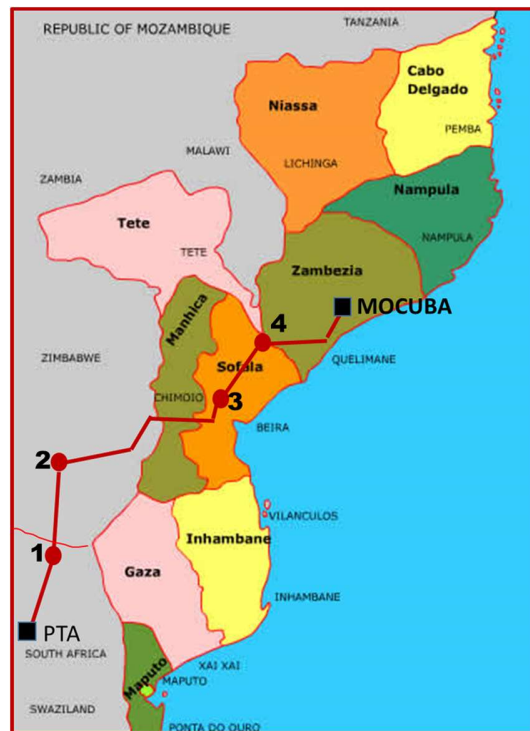
Lesson 1: Permission from the Governor of the province must be arranged long enough before the date of departure so that enough time is allowed to obtain police clearance certificates and for the processing of the application at the office of the Governor.

5. Travelling to the congregations of the Tumbine Synod of the IRM

Initially it was the intention to travel to the Zambezia Province of Mozambique via Zimbabwe and Malawi. The outreach team of the previous year had reported that the condition of the EN1 road between Inchope and Caia was extremely bad and should be avoided. No cheap accommodation could however be found on the road via Malawi, i.e. between Masvingo in Zimbabwe and the border post at Milange at logical overnight points. After an accident of an outreach group in 2011 it was accepted as a policy that driving after dusk should at all costs be avoided and the stretches to reach logical overnight points during day time were just too long. It was then decided to change the route and to travel on the bad road between Inchope and Caia. Along that route overnighing was possible at the Van Zyls who live near the entrance of

the Gorangosa Reserve. In hindsight this was a good decision as the team hadn't had the permission as yet in their possession and they wouldn't have been allowed to enter Mozambique at the border post at Milange.

The route that was followed is shown in the figure below.



The route followed from Pretoria to Mocuba

The overnight points (see numbers in the above map) were:

- 1 Camping at Tshipise in South Africa near Beit Bridge
- 2 Guest house of the Morgenster Missionary near Masvingo
- 3 Sleeping over in the permanent tents of the Van Zyls
- 4 Camping at CuaCua near Caia.

At Mocuba the team spent a day and 3 members of the group travelled to Milange for a meeting with the Tumbine Synod, 3 members travelled to Niquide to take measurements of the uncompleted prayer house and the rest of the team prepared for the departure to the Alto Molocue and Gilé prayer houses the next day.

That next day the team split into two sub-teams. Sub-team A comprized Rev Attie, Neels, Hannes, Marietjie, Evellynn, Pastor Jonas, Pastor Claudio, Cebola and Benjamin. Sub-team B comprized Barnie, Danie, Johnny, Hanlie, Andrie, Pastor Fernando, Pastor Careva, Pastor Adolfo and Filizardo. Sub-team A, travelled to the Mulela prayer house of the Gilé Congregation and Sub-team B travelled to the Caracone prayer house in the Alto Molocue district. Sub-team B had only one vehicle and there was not enough space on the vehicle for all the equipment and 9 people. Subsequently the translators, Synod pastor and youth leader trainer travelled with public transport to Pastor Jussa Passulane's house in Alto Molocue. The distance ($\pm 20\text{km}$) between his house and the Caracone prayer house had to be done twice in order to get all the equipment and people at Caracone.



The location of the 4 visited prayer houses

The two sub-teams spent 3 days at Mulela and Caracone respectively and then had to shift camp to the next prayer houses. Sub-team A travelled from the Mulela to the Iyano prayer house which was approximately 50 km on a reasonable dirt road. Shifting camp for Sub-team B was a logistical nightmare. They had to travel 150km on a dirt road which was in a bad state and they had to do it twice. Despite the fact that Subteam A helped Subteam B by making their second vehicle available, Sub-team B's remaining members only arrived at their destination at 8.30 pm after a full day of travelling.

After spending another 3 days at the Iyano and Napacala prayer houses, the two Sub-teams combined again and started their return to Mocuba. This took another day. Two important lessons were learned about travelling to and from the prayer houses, i.e.:

Lesson 2: The vehicle(s) must have enough capacity to carry all luggage, equipment and team members to the destination with a single trip.

Lesson 3: Be careful not to under-estimate the time required to travel to the prayer houses. The condition of the roads are normally worse than expected.

The return from Mocuba to South Africa started on 8 July 2018. This posed a problem because the team were still not in possession of a permission from the Governor of Zambezia Province. Pastor Carlos Erbate Pedro of the Synod subsequently advised the team to return the same way as they came and not to return via Malawi, i.e. going out at Milange. The owners and drivers of the 3 vehicles however had a problem with this advice. The condition of the EN1 road between Caia and Inchope frightened them so much that they didn't see their way open to expose their vehicles to that road once again. It was therefore decided to return via Malawi. The costs for 3rd party insurance and road access fees for the 3 vehicles amounted almost R4000 for the privilege to drive through Malawi but everyone agreed that the costs to repair damages on the vehicles could be much more.

The return route is shown on the map below.



Return route to Pretoria, South Africa

The team overnighted at the points shown on the map, i.e.

- 1 Doogles Lodge, Blantyre
- 2 Casa Msika, near the border post at Machipanda
- 3 Matombo Lodge, Musina

The return journey from Mocuba was done in only 4 days and everything went smoothly at all 4 border posts.

Overall the travelling went well. One tyre of Hannes' Kia Sorento burst after hitting a pot hole on the EN1 stretch between Inchope and Caia. Hannes also wrote off a tyre of his trailer on the road between Alto Molocue and Mocuba because the trailer axis came loose and shifted to the one side. The team had to shift the axis back in its position and tighten the U-bolts.

No problems have been experienced with police on this outreach and no policeman tried to bribe the driver. Since this was a problem which previous teams experienced repeatedly in the past, the smooth police stops and the friendliness of the police is something we are very

thankful for. Maybe the fact that our vehicles had the MOZDRIVE stickers on the driver door contributed to the smooth proceedings at police stops.

Another important lesson was however learned about checking the check list before departure. When the team left Pretoria each and every item to be taken was marked on the check list, but in Mocuba, when the team split into two sub-teams, this was not done. Sub-team B discovered that they packed only one gas bottle and they ran out of gas. They also discovered that they didn't pack a second water can and they had to buy one in Alto Molocue whilst 2X25 litre water cans stayed behind unused in Mocuba.

Lesson 4: The check list with items must be thoroughly checked at the start of the journey and again after the team split into sub-teams and the vehicles and trailers have been repacked.

6. Outreach Objectives

The objectives of the outreach were determined through correspondence with the Tumpline Synod and discussed again with the Moderamen of the Synod at the meeting with them in Milange. The accepted objectives were:

- To take measurements of the half-built prayer house at Niquide and to plan for the completion of the building this year.
- To equip the church leaders and women with a summary of the gospel of the Kingdom and to teach them what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and how to make more disciples.
- To train youth leaders how to effectively disciple children using interactive Bible study lessons.
- To interact with women and to discuss women's issues through Bible study sessions.
- To play with children, to win their confidence and to teach them about the gospel.
- To show the Jesus film to the entire community where the prayer houses are located.

Whilst the spreading of the gospel to the non-Christians was also viewed as a primary objective, it was realised that it is necessary to form partnerships with the local congregations to achieve this. The emphasis was therefore rather to work together with the local churches and to equip them to spread the gospel further.

7. Interactions

7.1 Niquide Prayer House – Magodane Congregation

The visit to the Niquide Prayer House this year was rather short. The team arrived in Mocuba on 28 June 2018 and the next day on 29 June three members of the team, i.e. Barnie, Danie and Neels went to Niquide. They took Pastor Fernando with them. They had to take the detour road since the bridge near Malei was still damaged as a result of the floods in 2015.

The purpose of their visit was to take measurements of the half built prayer house. The objective of Pretoria-Annlin and –Montanapoort evangelism commissions were to enable the Niquide prayer house group to complete the prayer house building this year and correct measurements were necessary in order to purchase the outstanding material for the building.

The $\pm$ 150km detour road to Niquide was in a bad state and driving to and returning from Niquide took the greatest part of the day. At Niquide they met the prayer house group and discussed the way forward. The necessary measurements were then taken.

Prior to the departure of the team from South Africa, Neels communicated from Pretoria by email with a salesman of Build It in Mocuba. He sent him a plan of the roof trusses and asked the person for a quotation for the material. A quotation had been sent to Neels but it represented only the lump sum with no breakdown for each of the components. When Neels eventually visited the shop, he discovered that the salesman with whom he communicated is located in Quelimane and not in Mocuba. It was therefore not possible to take the order for the materials any further. Another reason why the order could not be placed as planned, was that

the measurements which were taken of the building on that day did not exactly match the dimensions of the roof trusses which he designed. Neels had to adapt the design slightly and this would affect the material quantities. Further communication with the person in Quelimane revealed that the trusses which had to be transported from Maputo would be much more expensive than the original quote. It was then decided to put the material order on ice, focus on the remaining part of the outreach and attend again to this problem when the team will be in Mocuba again.



Niquide congregation members with the visitors



Niquide prayer house built up to roof height

Back in Mocuba on 7 July, Johnny, Neels and Pastor Fernando discussed the problem again. Pastor Fernando mentioned that he knows a Malawian person whose trade it is to put up roofs. Apparently he recently did work for the Synod in Milange and Pastor Fernando suggested to approach this person and to ask him for a quotation. Pastor Fernando also offered his services to oversee the work and to be the link between the contractor and the brothers in Pretoria. It was then decided to follow this suggestion.

Lesson 5: Communication with a trader in another country is extremely difficult which can lead to lots of misunderstandings. A local person who is familiar with the project is needed as mediator.

7.2 Meeting with the Moderamen of the Tumbine Synod

On the same day that members of the team visited the Niquide prayer house, Rev Attie, Johnny and Marietjie drove to Milange ($\pm$ 180km) to meet with the Moderamen of the Synod. The meeting started at 9am and ended at 12pm.

The following issues were discussed:

- Subsidies to pastors
- Student bursaries
- Missionary project – Pastor Fernando Alfredo
- Niquide prayer house
- Current outreach to Alto Molocue and Gilé prayer houses
- Future involvement
- Ecumenical ties
- Pastor from Brazil

Notes on the meeting are appended to this report in Appendix A. The deliberations were very fruitful and we are thankful to our Lord for the good collaboration between the Synod and the two South African congregations.

Pastor Aldolfo and Benjamin who would be part of the outreach accompanied the three members of the team on their way back to Mocuba.



Meeting in Milange: From left to right are Isaac Gama (Interpreter), Pastor Ezequiel Mbobo (Moderator), Marietjie Van Der Walt, Rev Attie Venter, Pastor Adolfo Mario, Pastor Armando Warica, Pastor Carlos Erbate Pedro and Johnny Beumer.

7.3 Caracone Prayer House, Alto Molocue

When Sub-team B arrived at Caracone on 30 June, they received a warm welcome. The congregation members, full of joy, ran towards the approaching vehicle and the happiness was clearly visible on everyone's face.

After setting up camp, everyone gathered in the prayer house where the introductions were done.



Congregation members ran towards the approaching vehicle of the visitors.



The happiness clearly visible on this girl's face

The sub-team had the privilege to attend the church service with the congregation. Pastor Jussa Passulane handled the Liturgics and Pastor Fernando preached. His scripture came from John 1: 43 – 51 where Jesus called Philip and where Philip couldn't wait to tell Nathanael that he found Jesus.

During the service, choirs of various age groups worshipped God with their songs.

Directly after the service, the training started. The Truth and Reconciliation Course was presented to the church leaders and at times the women also joined. After Truth and Reconciliation the Discipleship Course was presented which was introduced with a session on what it means to be a true disciple of Jesus Christ. This was then followed up with a session on how to make a disciple when you find a person of peace. As part of Discipleship the necessity of seed actions was also explained and the Discipleship course was concluded with the Discovery Bible Study methodology.

The training material for the church leaders had been developed by TOPIA and we are very grateful for the hard work done by Rev Johannes Aucamp in preparing the course material as well as the preparation of the handouts.

While the church leaders were busy with the Truth and Reconciliation and the Discipleship courses the children were kept busy with Bible stories and the colouring in of Bible pictures. The gospel was also conveyed to the children with the evangelism glove. The children enjoyed these activities very much.



Training of church leaders



Children of Caracone very proud with their colouring of Bible pictures



Bible study with the women



Practising the Discovery Bible Study methodology in smaller groups

The youth leader course was presented to a group of teenage boys and girls and the purpose of the course was to teach them how to convey the Christian doctrine to children and how to disciple children. The course material of The Mailbox Club was used.

All members of the sub-team started each day with Bible study and prayed that the Lord will bless the proceedings of the day.



Filizardo presenting the youth leader course



Each morning started with Bible Study.

The sub-team spent 3 days at Caracone and the Jesus film was showed on 3 consecutive nights – two evenings at the Caracone prayer house and one evening at an area approximately 5km from Caracone. Approximately 250 people attended each film show and it was remarkable that three muslims attended one evening and brought their family along the next evening. Pastor Jussa was requested to do follow-ups and invite people who want to talk about the gospel of the Kingdom of God.



People watching the Jesus film

Pastor Jussa invited the team to his house in Alto Molocue on the last day where his wife Regina cooked a delicious meal for the sub-team. Pastor Jussa then submitted a memorandum which explains the work he is doing in Alto Molocue. The memorandum also lists his needs and he asked the group to think of him in their prayers.

The memorandum is attached hereto as Appendix B.

The visit to the Caracone prayer house group was very special. The congregation was planted only one year ago and the outreach team was very impressed with the enthusiasm of the prayer house group. Within a year's time they constructed their small prayer house and learned various hymns and they could even say the Commission of Faith out of their head.

Prayers are needed for pastor Jussa and his family to keep up with the good work and that God will bless this work.



Pastor Jussa, his wife Regina and their children



Sub-team B and the Passulane family

The departure of the outreach team was a sad event. The young congregation came to say goodbye to their visitors. The team sang Psalm 134 to the congregation, i.e. "May the Lord bless you from Zion".

There were too many team members to transport everyone to the next prayer house with only one vehicle. Half of the team had to wait for approximately half a day for the vehicle to drop the first half of the group and thereafter pick them up. In the time available Andrie taught the members of the congregation how they can show their love with a seed action. She and the congregation members then did a seed action practically. They visited two people in need. The first person was a woman with three children. The two youngest children were in serious need of medical attention. The baby was very yellow and it was clear that he was underfed. This woman's husband left her and she couldn't take proper care of her children. The problem was discussed with the church members and they promised to get involved. Andrie also left some money on behalf of the Annlin deacons so that nutritious food could be bought to boost the family's health.

The second case was a sick woman and she and the congregation members visited her and prayed for her.



Sub-team and the Caracone congregation members saying goodbye

7.4 Gilé Prayer Houses

Sub-team A visited two prayer houses of the Gilé congregation. They spent 3 days at each of the Mulela and Iyano prayer houses. Sub-team B visited one prayer house of Gilé and spent 3 days at Napacala. The local pastor for the Gilé congregation is Pastor Pilima and he accompanied Sub-team A to Mulela and Iyano.

The Mulela and Napacala prayer houses had been visited before in 2015 and it was good to see some familiar faces again.

On Saturday 30 June, the prayer house group of Mulela waited for the visitors in the road and welcomed them with their beautiful songs. While singing, they guided the visitors to their prayer house.



The Mulela prayer house group waited for Sub-team A in the road at the entrance to Mulela.

The Mulela prayer house members then treated their visitors with fish and maize pap.

That same evening the sub-team showed the Jesus film and approximately 300 people came to watch. The Jesus film was showed 7 times by Sub-team A at the following prayer houses or sites:

- 30 June – Mulela
- 1 July – Mulela
- 2 July – Marrua
- 3 July – Cricani
- 4 July - Iyano
- 5 July – Nonope
- 6 July - Iyano

Sub-team B showed the film twice at Napacala on 4 and 5 July and on 6 July at the Union Baptist church near Napacala. In total the Jesus film was shown 10 times by the two sub-teams at different prayer houses of the Gilé congregation and each time 300 or more people

attended – thus a total of 3000 people for Gilé, although many people came to watch the film for a second time.

On Sunday 1 July the church service was attended and Pastor Pilima handled the Liturgics and Rev Attie preached.



Church service at Mulela

All training activities commenced after the church service. The programmes were very similar to the programme followed at Caracone, i.e.

- The Truth and Reconciliation and Discipleship were presented to church leaders
- Youth leader training
- Women's Bible study
- Children programmes
- Film shows in the evenings.



The children of Mulela



Evellynn and Mulela children



Proud Mulela children with their certificates



Benjamin addressing the children of Iyano



Discipleship course for church leaders Mulela



Discussion with Iyano women



Donating Lomué Bibles to Napacala



Napacala boy illustrating the evangelism glove



Napacala children playing



Barnie trying to keep up with the young

There were a two touching incidents at the three prayer houses of Gilé. After the Truth and Reconciliation and the Discipleship courses, a man in the audience at the Mulela prayer house stood up and undertook that he would not more visit any witch doctor. He said that whenever he needs help in future he will pray and come to the church for help. He also said that if it's a health problem, he will go and see a real doctor.

The Napacala people told about the drought in 2016 and that the prayer house group came together to pray for rain. God then let it rain only in their area with the result that they produced

excellent harvests that year. They had more than enough and donated a portion of their products to the local hospital and prison. The people of the surrounding areas became jealous and approached the district authority to investigate the Napacala people because they were accusing them of using witchcraft to make rain only for themselves.

The lesson learned at all four prayer houses was that the pace at the prayer houses is much slower than the outreach group was used to. The women have to cook their breakfast and lunch on fire which takes much more time than our cooking on gas or electrical stoves. The result of this was that the teams could only start with their training sessions at 9am in the morning, then had to break for lunch from 12pm to 2pm to give the ladies a chance to cook and to eat their food. It becomes dark at 5pm in winter, i.e. a full hour earlier than in South Africa. Where the teams therefore bargained on 8 hours of training per day, there was only 6 hours available in one day. If the tea breaks are further deducted from this, it leaves one with a bit more than 5 hours per day.

It needs to be taken into account that all the rural people are subsistence farmers and it would not work to keep them off their lands for longer than 3 days. The training has therefore to be completed in a mere 15 hours in total. The time for the training was under estimated and unfortunately some topics had to be speeded up.

Lesson 6: Don't make the training too elaborate. You can only count on 5 available hours per day.

A further lesson to be learned is that the people appreciate it very much if you show interest in what they are doing. It is therefore recommended to spend time with them even if you don't understand their language. For example go and watch the ladies when they are cooking. This strengthens the bond between the two culture groups.

Lesson 7: Show interest in what the local people are doing and how they are doing things.

8. Identified needs and matters to be followed up

As the outreach group travelled from one prayer house group to another, they became aware of further needs and they will report this to the Pretoria-Annlin and Pretoria-Montanapoort Evangelism Committees and Church Councils. All these needs have to be brought before the Lord in prayer. Needs that have been identified are explained below.

8.1 Further expenses on the Niquide church building

The initial thought was to order all the materials for the completion of the Niquide prayer house during the outreach. In paragraph 7.1 the challenges which came on our way are explained. The objective is still to complete the prayer house in this 2018 financial year but quotes will be obtained from contractors to put up the roof of the building. If a reasonable quote can be obtained the contractor will perform the work and Pastor Fernando Alfredo will supervise.

Just before the departure of the team, 3960 Mt was given to Filizardo who undertook to order the delivery of 6 bags of cement for more cement bricks. These bricks will in the meantime be made by the prayer house members.

Pastor Pilima (or another contractor) can be asked to build the inner walls and the facades at the two ends of the building.

8.2 Support to Pastors of IRM

Eight pastors within the area of Tumbine Synod are being subsidised by congregations of the RCSA and 7 of these subsidies are managed by the RCPA. Funds are being sent quarterly to the Synod. Some churches however committed for only 1 year and in some cases the commitment period has already expired. If these SA congregations do not extent their support for another year, these pastors will not be able to feed their families. It is important that these pastors continue with their important work and are not lost if they, for example, accept a teacher's post paid by the government instead.

As undertaken at the meeting with the Moderamen of the Synod on 29 June, RCPA will approach those South African congregations whose commitment periods have expired to determine whether they are prepared to extend their commitment period. All congregations must however be trained to look after their pastors. They can provide food in kind if they can't pay money. Over time the subsidies need to be phased out as the congregations take the full responsibility.

8.3 Pastor Pilima and his family

Pastor Pilima's family has grown since the last outreach to his congregation. He now has seven children and the youngest are twins.

The family moved to Marrua a small town near Mulela. The family is struggling to make ends meet. They are being subsidised with a cost of living subsidy by the Dutch Reformed Church of Kuilsrivier in South Africa.

One daughter of Pastor Pilima's has a problem with her eyesight which is deteriorating. The pastor doesn't have the means to take her to a specialist doctor. He asked if he can be supported in this regard. Funding for medical examinations and treatment falls outside the mandate of the evangelism commissions of the two churches, but the need remains and is therefore stated in this report. Maybe there is a reader who has the ability and feels the desire to help the Pilima family.

RCPA donated a motor cycle to Pastor Pilima in 2015. At the time of this year's outreach the motor cycle was stationary and needed repairs. Maintenance of the motor cycle is the responsibility of the pastor and his congregation members. It is a concern that Pastor Pilima cannot currently visit his prayer houses with his motor cycle. It was clear to the outreach team that Pastor Pilima is not visiting his prayer houses as often as envisaged when the motor cycle was donated and that the motor cycle is not effectively serving its purpose.

8.4 Pastor Passulane and his family

Pastor Jussa Passulane handed a memorandum to the outreach group in which he defined a number of challenges he has to deal with. These are:

- *Bibles in the local language (Lomué) and Hymnals*

Pastor Jussa expressed this need a year ago and RCPA sent him R2000.00 via the Tumbine Synod to enable him to buy a number of bibles and hymnals for his congregation members. A receipt for the purchase has been provided when the Sub-team visited the pastor's house.

Another 2 Portuguese Bibles, 10 Lomué Bibles and 5 Audio Bibles were donated during the visit of the Sub-team. This should satisfy the immediate need, but the congregation is growing fast and more bibles and hymnals will be needed soon.

The Lomué bibles were only available as New Testament Bibles. During our visit, we however established that the full Lomué bible has recently been printed. If any further Lomué bibles are donated, it should be the versions that contain the Old and New Testaments.

- *Lack of transport*

A motor cycle had been donated to Pastor Jussa in 2012. The life span of the Chinese Lifo motor cycles is estimated on 5 years. Pastor Jussa's motor cycle is currently stationary and need major repairs. Last year RCPA sent Pastor Jussa money via the Tumbine Synod to buy a new engine for his motor cycle, but it seems that further spare parts are required to fix the vehicle. At some stage one needs to decide whether it is worth a while to spend more money on the fixing of this vehicle.

- *Tent for field visits*

This need could immediately be satisfied during the visit of the sub-team. Brother Barnie donated his tent to pastor Jussa when the sub-team left for the next prayer house.

- *Need for a computer*

Pastor Jussa is currently busy with his 4th year theological degree study at Hefsiba. He needs a computer for his monograph. Apart from this, a computer would also help him with improved communication via email and to plan his work better.

- *PVC sheets*

The roofs of the current prayer house and pastor Jussa's house are covered with a layer of thin plastic under the grass. The plastic is not durable and easily punctures with resulting leakages. Pastor Jussa is actually asking for funds to buy the thicker type of PVC sheeting to redo the roof of the prayer house and his own house.

- *Church stamp*

This is a small item and the congregation should be able to finance such an item on their own.

- *Irrigation project for the church*

Pastor Jussa is thinking of an irrigation project which can be developed and maintained by the congregation members. The purpose of such a project is to become self-sustaining. In view of the cost of living subsidies for pastors from the South African donors, this is not a bad idea. This could be a way in which congregation members can offer their services in order to provide food for the pastor or to create an income for the church. In this manner the subsidies can be phased out over time and congregation members can start taking care of their own pastor. This is a project that needs to be investigated further. The congregation members first have to learn the principles of "Farming God's Way" and a future outreach group could possibly focus on such training.

8.5 Future outreach to Ribaue

Pastor Jussa requested this year's outreach team to include the town Ribaue in the Nampula province. This was however not possible as the team would have lost two further days of travelling. Instead, two elders of the Ribaue prayer group travelled to Caracone to attend the

training and the outreach team paid for their travelling. Bibles and audio bibles were also given to the elders.

There is a need to include Ribaue in a future outreach. From Nampula Ribaue is only 100km and the road is a tar road. Ribaue is therefore easily accessible from Nampula. RCPA is considering a future outreach to Nampula and Ribaue can then easily be included in such a plan.

8.6 Missionary project of Pastor Fernando Alfredo

Pastor Fernando Alfredo is currently the confirmed pastor of the Lugela congregation. In accordance with the memorandum of understanding between RCPA, Tumbine Synod, Lugela Church Council and Pastor Alfredo, he will go on regular missionary trips to Nampula. Luke 10 describes how Jesus sent out the 72 disciples and in the same manner pastor Alfredo will pray and search for houses of peace so that he can make these people of peace disciples of Jesus Christ. Once a big enough group has been established, a congregation can be formed and an outreach to Nampula can be considered for the further training of the new congregation members.

In accordance with the memorandum, a motor cycle and funding for the missionary trips have already been provided to Pastor Alfredo.

A computer for Pastor Alfredo is urgently required so that he can get access to email and internet for planning his trips. Pastor Alfredo also needs to submit his 4th year monograph to the Hefsiba Theological School next year and he will not be able to write the monograph without a computer.

8.7 Daughter of Pastor Candido

At the meeting with the Moderamen of the Tumbine Synod, the Moderamen made us aware of the daughter of Pastor Candido. The pastor passed away and the daughter needs financial

assistance to study teaching or nursing in Mocuba. We had to point out that such type of bursaries fall outside our mandate but we undertook to make others aware of this need.

8.8 Support to the Oziwelha Wa Jesu Creche

Oziwelha Wa Jesu Creche of Bernadette Jansen raises young children in a Christian environment. The creche runs mainly on donor money from outside Mozambique. The income is also supplemented occasionally with donations by missionary groups who overnight at the crèche.

Bernadette is an example of a disciple of Jesus Christ. She dedicated her life to approximately 100 children in Mocuba and she teaches them in a Christian atmosphere. The children are brought daily to her creche where she takes care of them and supplies them with two meals. She also adopted 8 children in foster care who don't have any family.

Congregations in South Africa are requested to think of the Oziwelha Wa Jesu Crèche in their prayers and to consider sending donations or useful items with outreach teams that pass Mocuba in future.

9. Retrospection and Evaluation

Overall the outreach can be regarded as successful and blessed by our Lord. We have learned a few valuable lessons and for possible future outreaches we need to avoid the mistakes made.

In summary, the lessons are as follows:

- a) Permission from the Governor of the province must be arranged long enough before the date of departure so that enough time is allowed to obtain police clearance certificates and for the processing of the application at the office of the Governor.
- b) Vehicle(s) must have enough capacity to carry all luggage, equipment and team members to the destination with a single trip.

- c) Be careful not to under-estimate the time required to travel to the prayer houses. The condition of the roads are normally worse than expected.
- d) The check list with items must be thoroughly checked at the start of the journey and again after the team split into sub-teams and the vehicles and trailers have been repacked.
- e) Communication with a trader in another country is extremely difficult which can lead to lots of misunderstandings. A local person who is familiar with the Niquide church building project is needed as mediator.
- f) Don't make the training too elaborate. You can only count on 5 available hours per day.
- g) Show interest in what the local people are doing and how they are doing things.

10. Acknowledgements

We thank God above all, who made this outreach possible, let the group travel safely and blessed the work that was done.

Many people worked together on this outreach. Only the 10 South Africans from Pretoria-Annlin and Pretoria-Montanapoort that visited Mozambique were visible but it wouldn't have been successful without the support of a huge support group who stayed behind in Pretoria and who worked behind the scenes and continuously prayed for the team.

We say thank you to:

- All the prayers which went up to the Lord for the outreach group.
- All the love received from the people at the prayer houses. The food and fruit provided and the chickens donated.
- The Tumbine Synod for their cooperation and making Pastors Simone and Insacula available to accompany the sub-teams.
- Filizardo Alfagema and João Benjamin for presenting the youth leader courses.
- Our four translators, i.e. Cebola and Pastors Jonas, Careva and Alfredo.

- Mr Carel Strydom of the Mailbox Club organisation for making their course material available.
- The owners of the three vehicles for making their vehicles available.
- Various congregation members in South Africa who provided funding for Bibles.
- Sisters who prepared the meals for the freezers, rusks and biscuits.
- Congregation members who prepared presentation material.
- Antoinette Fuls and Bets Devenage who helped the team with the clearance certificates.
- Rev Giepie Van Der Merwe who kept the congregation and nearest relatives of the team members informed on a daily basis during the outreach.
- Children of the Annlin congregation and their parents who donated crayons for the children in Mozambique.
- Cobie Plomp who audited the expenditures of the outreach team.
- Various cash contributions.
- Rev Johannes Aucamp of TOPIA for compiling the church leaders' course and training the South African team members to present the course to the church leaders.

All donations, no matter how small, were highly appreciated.

Appendix A

NOTES ON THE MEETING BETWEEN THE MODERAMEN OF THE TUMBINE SYNOD AND A DELEGATION OF REFORMED CHURCH PRETORIA-ANNLIN HELD ON 29th JUNE 2018 AT 9H00 IN MILANGE, MOZAMBIQUE.

OPENING:

Meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Carlos Herbath Pedro, General Secretary of the Tumbine Synod.

PRESENT:

Pastors Ezequiel B Mbobo, Carlos Herbath Pedro, Isaac Gama, Armando S Warica, Adolfo Mario Insacula, Rev. Attie Venter, brother Johnny Beumer and sister Marietjie van der Walt

ABSENT:

None

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Subsidies to Pastors

- a) Approximately 26 Pastors in the service area of Tumbine Synod are being subsidised from South Africa. 8 of them are being subsidised by congregations of the Reformed Churches in South Africa (RCSA) and 7 of these subsidies are managed by the Reformed Church Pretoria-Annlin. Funds are being sent quarterly to the Synod. Some churches however committed for only 1 year. In some cases the commitment period had already expired. What will happen if some South African churches cannot extend their subsidies? Will the Synod redistribute the subsidies to the pastors with the highest need for the subsidies?
- b) The Moderamen responded that congregations are still struggling to support their pastors. The Tumbine Synod will need a list of all the pastors that are being assisted and make an assessment. There are a few congregations which can provide food to their pastor family but they do not have any money. The two cases where commitment periods have already expired are serious. Past Zalimba who had been subsidised by Reformed Church Rustenburg has no support. He is a new pastor who serves the congregation of Mussi. The same goes for Pastor Nico Mario of Namuhyapa. These pastors and their families will suffer if the subsidies are terminated.
- c) Pastor Carlos would have visited Namuhyapa for drafting the motivation required by the Reformed Church Brooklyn, but he had to use the travelling money to travel to Quelimane twice to obtain permission for the outreach group to operate in the Zambezia province. Since this travelling was for the purpose of the outreach group, it was agreed that Pastor Carlos will be remunerated by the outreach group so that he will be able to

visit Namuhypa. A motivation will then be prepared and submitted to the Reformed Church of Brooklyn.

- d) The South African congregations whose commitment periods have expired will be approached again to determine whether they are prepared to extend their commitment period. It was agreed that all congregations must be trained to look after their pastors. They can provide food in kind if they can't pay money. Over time the subsidies need to be phased out as the congregations take the full responsibility.

2. Student Bursaries

- a) An anonymous sponsor came forward this year and committed himself to an amount of R60 000.00 for student bursaries at the Theological School of Hefisiba. He asked Reformed Church Pretoria-Annlin to manage the bursaries. Three bursaries have been awarded, i.e. 4th year degree studies for pastors Carlos Herbath Pedro and Jussa Passulane (R15 000.00 each) and a 1st year study for Januario Eduardo. (R30 000.00). Only half of the bursary money had been paid out for the first semester. In order to pay out the second half, it is necessary that the results of the first semester are submitted.
- b) Pastor Carlos explained that the students had problems to write all their subjects due to a strike by the lecturers as they have not received their salaries. Some of the exams were only written the previous week and the results will therefore be late. He also explained that he could not write an exam as he had to go to Quelimane for authorising the outreach. He however arranged that he will write this exam after the school holidays. Pastor Carlos is very positive that he will pass.
- c) Johnny will speak to pastor Jussa during the outreach about his results. (*Post meeting note: Pastor Jussa also confirmed that the results will only be available after the second semester has started, but he was confident that he would pass all subjects*)
- d) The Moderamen asked if the daughter of Pastor Candido could be helped with a bursary to study teaching or nursing in Mocuba. Pastor Candido recently passed away and the daughter needs financial assistance. Rev Attie answered that it will not be possible to help with her studies. RCPA can only provide financial assistance for training pastors with the money she has. He will however ask if there is somebody in the congregations in South Africa that will be willing to help. He emphasised that he can't make any promises in this regard.

3. Missionary Project - Pastor Fernando Alfredo

- a) Concern was expressed that the signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) hasn't been received in South Africa and that all actions are taken in good faith. Apparently Pastor Alfredo and the Lugela Church Council had signed the document but the signature of the synod is still outstanding.
- b) The Moderamen explained that there was a procedural problem. Pastor Alfredo and the Lugela Church Council signed at the time when Pastor Alfredo was not yet confirmed in the Congregation. He is now confirmed and the document will have to be resigned. It is

not a problem but the correct process was not followed from the beginning. As soon as it is done, they will sign the memorandum.

- c) The Moderamen asked whether it is advisable that pastors that are supported with motor cycles register these vehicles in their name. Pastor Alfredo is a recent example. If any pastor would leave the ministry, could he claim ownership of the motor cycle? Johnny undertook to amend the memorandum of understanding by adding a paragraph which states the Pastor Alfredo's motor cycle has been donated for the purpose of the mission work and ownership of the vehicle goes to the synod if he decides to leave the ministry for whatever reason. The revised memorandum will be resent for signatures.
- d) It was agreed that Pastor Fernando will in the meantime go to the Northern areas to disciple people. The motorcycle had already been bought and Pastor Fernando's subsidy is being paid. Pastor Fernando will start in Nampula in the 2nd semester of 2018. When there are enough members to plant a new congregation, two or three members of the Reformed Church of Prertoria-Annlin can consider going there to train the new members in making new disciples.
- e) Johnny mentioned the problems with the money for Pastor Fernando's expenses as it takes too long before he receives the money, and substantial amounts are subtracted as banking costs. It was agreed that all amounts would still be communicated with the synod, but that Pastor Fernando will be paid directly through Western Union in future.

4. Niquide Prayer House

- a) Johnny sketched the history of the church building project. It started in 2012 when Reformed Church Pretoria-Annlin was asked to help the Niquide prayer group to build the prayer house. The building took a few years and the Reformed Church of Pretoria-Montanapoort later joined into the project. The arrangement was that the two South African churches would provide the finances for the materials and that the Niquide prayer house members would provide the labour. The structure is currently at roof height.
- b) The building must be finished this year. The two South African churches will purchase all outstanding material and it is expected that the Niquide members must complete the work themselves. Reformed Church Strand is supporting Magodane spiritually with their outreaches and Annlin and Montanapoort wish to shift their focus to Gile and Pebane.
- c) The Moderamen granted its permission that Pastor Pilima assist with the construction work. (*Post meeting note: After this was discussed with Pastor Pilima himself, he indicated that he has no knowledge to put up the roof trusses and roof sheets. Another contractor will therefore be appointed to do this work*).
- d) The Moderamen agreed and had no problem with the fact that Annlin and Montanapoort wanted to end their building work in Niquide this year. As a matter of fact, the Synod agreed that it would be better to finish the project now then the congregation can focus on other problems.

5. Current Outreach

- a) The focus will fall this year on two areas, i.e. Alto Molocue and Gilé. It is the intention to visit 4 preyer houses, i.e. Caracone (Alto Molocue), Mulela, Iyano, and Napacala (Gilé)

and to spend 3 days at each prayer house. Two sub-teams will each visit 2 prayer houses. The following are the outreach objectives:

- Presentation of the Truth and Reconciliation Course
 - Presentation of the Discipleship Course
 - Bible studies with women
 - Presentation of the Mailbox Club course for youth leaders (will be done by Benjamin and Filizardo)
 - Showing the Jesus film to the broader communities.
- b) The Moderamen expressed its satisfaction with the objectives and the programme. The question was however asked if the content of the course could be provided in Lomwe. It was explained that the content had been translated in Portuguese and that all handouts are in Portuguese. The translation into Lomwe needs to be carefully thought about as only a small percentage of the rural population are literate and a Lomwe translation will be of value to only a few. The outreach team will also not be able to translate the work themselves, the Synod members will have to do the translations. It was agreed that the two Synod pastors who will accompany the teams, will make an assessment of the need for such a translation, therefore they will determine whether there are enough literate people to justify such a translation.
- c) Pastor Carlos' initial request to arrange an outreach to Nampula will be considered at a later stage. Pastor Fernando Alfredo must first go on his missionary trips and preach the gospel. Once there are enough members to plant a congregation in Nampula can RCPA arrange an outreach with the objective of training the new members in discipleship and making disciples of Jesus Christ.

6. Future Involvement.

- a) Rev Attie Venter introduced this discussion point by saying that we need to think differently about the outreaches of RCPA and RCPM to the North-Eastern provinces of Mozambique. There are lots of new challenges, e.g. the roads are very bad and get worse every year, the equipment gets damaged, fuel price increases make the outreaches very expensive, etc. The political position also makes it difficult where the Government needs to grant permission for big groups to enter Mozambique at the border posts. It becomes too expensive to send a big team (e.g. 10 persons, like this year) every year. One has to think of other ways, e.g. leave some equipment in Mozambique to make flying possible and flying in a smaller group that can assist with training, etc. An outreach with a bigger team can then still be arranged every second or third year.
- The SA churches however wish to continue following God's calling. The Synod should also from their side indicate whether they would like to continue receiving teams that can assist them with training here in the service area of the Tumbine Synod.
- b) The Moderamen indicated that further assistance would be much appreciated. They took note of the possibility of smaller teams every second or third year and agreed that arrangements to bring in bigger teams must be done long enough before the outreach so that all administrative processes can be followed on time.

7. Ecumenical Ties.

- a) After a delegation of the Reformed Churches of South Africa (led by Dr Heinrich Zwemstra) visited the Moderamen in 2015, it was decided to establish ecumenical ties with Igreja Reformada em Moçambique. Noted.

8. Pastor from Brazil

- a) Rev Attie received a letter from Dr Breedt of the RCSA about a Brazilian pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Brazil (IPB). He would like to come to Mozambique and assist the IRM with theological work. It is not certain exactly what his qualities are, but it seems he can assist with lecturing at a theological school. There is a possibility that he can lecture at Hefisiba or one of its Satellite campuses but the overarching synod will have to consider this. Rev Attie will provide more information in due course after which time the matter can be considered again.

The meeting was adjourned at 12h00 with a prayer by Rev Attie.

Appendix B

Pastor Jussa Passulane handed a letter with the following contents to Sub-team B on 3 July 2018. The letter was typed in English but some phrases came out not so clearly (presumably after he had used Google Translate). The letter has therefore been slightly amended so that the content is clear to all the readers of this report.

Thanks

Beloved brothers in Christ Jesus of the Congregation of Pretoria-Annlin, please receive our best spiritual greetings in Christ Jesus our Lord. My family and I are very pleased when we think of your collaboration in our ministry. Thank you!

I praise God for the bond being formed between us and for His blessing on our good relationship in the proclamation of the Gospel.

I am very proud in Christ Jesus to say; thank you very much for your visits and seminars, I hope that God will bless the work done. Thank you also very much for your efforts in the ministry in Mozambique - for your time made available to visit us. Please don't forget to thank those who made the transport from South Africa to Mozambique possible and even as far as Alto Molocue. All of this was a great blessing to me and the church and the surrounding population.

I want to explain a bit of how the work started here in Alto Molócuè.

After your visit in 2011, I felt the calling of God to go to the unreached people. I started in the congregation of Magodane, opening new areas such as: Niquide, Buada, Mutalane and the village area Maganja da Costa - all this as result of your motivation. Then, in July 2015, Pastor Francisco Luís Gavenala and I came to this village of Alto Molócuè to do a situation assessment. We stayed two days (2) at our own personal cost.

On November 21, 2015, God called me to serve Him in this village of Alto Molócuè, but the Synod did not support this because of its financial constraints. However the presbytery recommended the contemplated move. My family and I therefore stayed in a rental house from 2015 until December 2017, at my own cost.

I thank God that a few brothers from South Africa reacted on my invitation in 2016 and they came in 2017. When they saw the way I lived they bought this house for me where we currently live and from where I could do this evangelism work. Praise God!

I started work in this village with great challenges but God was always on my side.

On 29 May 2016 God blessed the work by giving a group of people who needed the word of God. We began by gathering in an abandoned building, with the permission of the ward secretary; Thank God for His blessing on the work progress.

Many people around this village need Bible teaching. I often get calls from some people around the village to also serve them with Bible study, but I could not satisfy all these calls because of the greater distances. Owing to constant breakages I couldn't reach the far places with my own motorcycle. Furthermore my motorcycle's small capacity didn't allow me travelling on steep inclines.

Despite of these problems, I did not stop working. The work is plentiful and I am willing to serve God where there are needs.

Challenges

- 1) Lack of Bibles in local language (Lomué) and more Hymn-books;
- 2) Lack of a tent for the field;
- 3) My transportation is currently insufficient and needs to be improved;
- 4) There is a need for computers for school activities and some church activities;
- 5) There is a need for 200 meters of thicker plastic to cover my two houses and church;
- 6) There is a need for a church stamp;
- 7) I have a vision to create a farming project with irrigation which can help the development of the church.

Dear brothers and sisters, for the moment, we are like a baby who always needs the care of her parents; and we will always need your prayers.

In conclusion, I want to express my great thanks for your support in purchasing Bibles, Hymn-books and in my studies at Hefsiba Instituto Superior Cristã. Many thanks, brothers for your support. I herewith repeat the words of Paul: "I thank my God, whenever I remember you, for the way you took part with me in the proclamation of the Good News".

I repeat: thank you for your efforts; Thank you for your time; Thank you for your transportation which made the evangelism possible and thank you for the support of my studies. Thank you

very much. In Christ Jesus I am very pleased with your visit, and I hope that God will bless your great efforts.

This visit was a great blessing to us.

Thank you brothers!

Pastor Jussa Passulane

Missionary area of Alto Molócuè, 2 June 2018