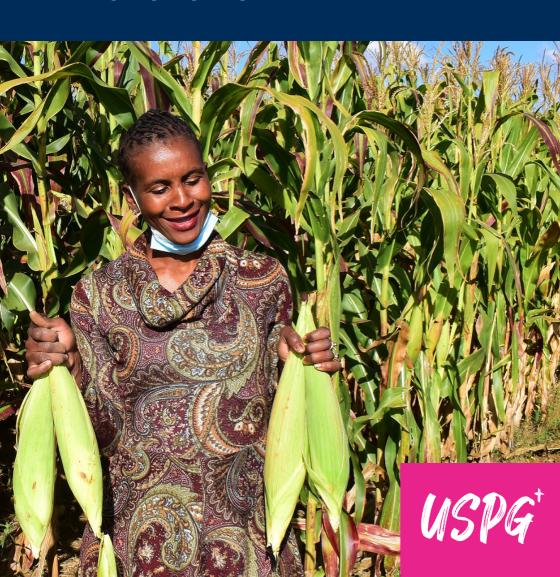


## MEET YOUR PARTNER, THE CHURCH OF ZIMBABWE



# THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH THE CHURCH OF ZIMBABWE

By supporting your partner in Zimbabwe, you are helping fund authentic programmes that make a real, tangible difference by meeting the needs of those in the Church's own community.

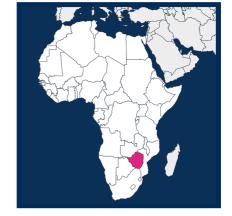
Here, you can read about the amazing ways in which your kind donations are being used by the Church of Zimbabwe.

#### HIV Stigma Reduction and Empowerment programme

This programme was launched by Anglican churches in Zimbabwe as a means of tackling the stigma surrounding HIV, welcoming people who have disclosed their status and offering them practical support.

The programme was launched in four of Zimbabwe's five Anglican dioceses: Central Zimbabwe, Harare, Masvingo and Matabeleland.

The programme set about educating the public on basic facts about HIV/AIDS with a



combination of media, art and advocacy. Churches conducted campaigns and outreaches in institutions and public spaces, produced special videos and made radio programmes. They designed, produced and distributed materials covering issues such as HIV transmission, HIV-related stigma, nutrition and the rights of people living with HIV.

The message was spread on t-shirts, scarves, leaflets, mugs and key rings. Sporting events were organised that included people living with HIV. Special events were organised to commemorate World AIDS Day. The programme also lobbied for policy changes, especially workplace HIV policy and recruitment agencies that demand candidates to disclose their HIV status.

One of the programme's positive outcomes was an increase in the number of people coming forward to find out what their HIV status was. Knowing one's HIV status enables people to make informed decisions. The church was able to show these people where they could receive medication or advice on their diets. They were also able to join one of the wellness groups the church runs.



### How to support your partner church

The Partners in Mission scheme allows you to support one of seven churches around the world in serving their local communities in the love of Jesus.

When you partner with a church, 100% of your donations go towards funding these vital programmes, making an incredible difference to local communities.

If you've joined as a church, here are some options for how to support your partner:

- Make one-off donations through your <u>Partners in Mission Hub</u>
- Set up a <u>Direct Debit</u>
- Or alternatively, individuals in the congregation may like to support by setting up their own <u>Direct Debits</u>

If you're an individual, we welcome you to support by setting up a <u>Direct Debit</u>, whether you are part of a church who has become a partner or you're supporting independently.

If appropriate we'd be grateful if you could tick the Gift Aid box, as this helps your donation go even further towards meeting the important needs of local communities.

#### **Getting to know your partner**

We'll send you regular updates about the impact your donations are having, including prayer requests and the latest stories about the fantastic work being done by your partner.

If you have become a partner as a church, you can also invite a USPG speaker to visit, and you can find lots of resources to share with your congregation on your <u>Partners in</u> Mission hub.

#### Resources

You can find posters, content for your social media, information booklets and lots more, all on your bespoke <u>Partners in Mission hub</u>.

#### Making a donation

Individuals are encouraged to set up a Direct Debit either <u>online</u> or by filling out one of our forms. For other donations:

- Online: <a href="https://partners-in-mission-zimbabwe.raisely.com">https://partners-in-mission-zimbabwe.raisely.com</a>
- **BACS:** Please get in touch with us on the details below to arrange a bank transfer
- Cheque: Make cheques payable to USPG and include a covering letter stating who it is from, that is for Partners in Mission, and which partner you're supporting
- Phone: Call +44 (0)20 7921 2200 to make a card donation over the phone

#### **Further information**

For more details of any of our programmes, please visit our website <a href="www.uspg.org.uk">www.uspg.org.uk</a>

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To see the latest updates and prayer requests from the Church in Zimbabwe or make a one-off donation, scan this QR code and visit the Zimbabwe Partners in Mission hub:







