

2020 Ukama Partnership Appeal

Food Security for our Hama in Zimbabwe

A shared project of the NHCUCC Ukama Mission Group and the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe.

The Ukama Partnership is a church to church prayer partnership between the New Hampshire Conference, United Church of Christ and the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe. Since 1996, local churches have prayed for one another, communicated by letters, Facebook, WhatsApp and email and visited one another through cultural exchanges. The term Ukama has at its root “hama” or “family” in Shona. The Ukama Partnership has helped us to discover a greater global awareness and we understand that family in Christ knows no boundaries or borders.



Seizing any opportunity to care for the needy is one of the most appreciated lessons of Christ Jesus. As we face the challenges of the COVID19 crisis in New Hampshire, we are reminded that we are not alone in this pandemic. Our friends in Zimbabwe face this crisis with fewer tools than we, but with the greatest of faith. They reach out to us with prayers and concerns just as we pray for them. Food insecurity was great before the COVID virus and their lockdown has worsened the crisis. In the words of the UCCZ Ukama Committee Chair, Tenson Mucheri, “ *People are suffering because of hunger... Most of these people are informal workers and during these days they have nothing to live on... As a nation we are experiencing drought and the rural part of Zimbabwe is mostly affected, there is no food.* ” Perhaps in New Hampshire we have the resources to give financial aid for food and seed in this most difficult of times in Zimbabwe. The Ukama Mission Group invites you to offer individuals and congregations the chance to donate to this year’s annual appeal.

Checks can be made to NHCUCC with the notation: Zimbabwe Appeal on the memo line.

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