

TNC Meeting Minutes - Aug 30, 2021

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Next TNC Meeting - Monday, Sept 27 - again via ZOOM

TNC Meeting Minutes

Aug 30, 2021 - meeting via ZOOM

I. Opening Prayer

II. General

- A. Zimbabwe reported 97,894 total COVID cases and 3094 deaths a month ago at our last TNC meeting. As of Aug 29, cases have increased to 124,000 and deaths to 4401. New cases/month decreased from 51,452 cases in July to 26,106 in Aug. The daily case count peaked at 3110 on July 13 and has trended downward to 70 on Aug 29. The Zimbabwe Travel Advisory is not at "Level 3", but strict curfews, intercity travel, quarantines, testing, etc all remain in place. Travelers coming from a country with high Delta variant cases must be quarantined upon arrival for 10 days at their own expense. As of Aug 24, the National COVID-19 Lockdown, level 4 was extended for another two weeks. People are optimistic that restrictions will be lifted at that time (mid Sept).
- B. As a comparison, Florida (population 21.5M) has 3.2M cases with 44,000 deaths and as of 8/27 is experiencing 20,000 new cases/day. Pennsylvania has a similar population as Zimbabwe (14.5M) and is now experiencing 2,900 new cases/day.
- C. A \$140 million new parliament building, gifted by China, is under construction on Mount Hampden which is on the outskirts of Harare.

II. Health -

A. Container Shipments - (Drew Harvey & Rev L. Mukundu)

- 1. BBF loaded and shipped the container on June 23. Expected arrival at Beira, Mozambique is now Sept 7 so probable arrival at Nyadire is mid to late Sept. Rev Austern Chepiri is managing duty free certification and customs clearance.
- 2. TNC contributed 258 boxes which generally include:

- a) 38 boxes of backpacks, school supplies, science/agricultural books (for distribution), jackets, weed whacker cord, seed storage bags, and a sewing machine for the HOH.
 - b) 17 boxes of reading books, teaching supplies, & Hearing Innovation supplies for the HOHO program
 - c) 55 boxes medical supplies including shower & toilet chairs, crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, IV stands, gloves, diapers, shoe covers, syringes, dental supplies, blood pressure cuffs, books for the nursing library, knitted blankets/caps, nebulizers, stethoscopes, bandages, paper stock, sterilizer pouches, and more.
 - d) 1600 Sutures specified by Dr Larry and purchased from Global Links
 - e) 43 boxes for the Girls Empowerment Program including 11 sewing machines, female hygiene supplies and sewing supplies.
 - f) 70 boxes of eyeglasses for the Eyeglass Program
 - g) 6 boxes of Theology Books, church robes, devotional materials
 - h) 19 boxes of handmade knitted blankets and caps for newborn babies.
 - i) 2 boxes of TNC Christmas Cards and blank envelopes
 - j) 3 boxes of Hearing Innovation supplies
 - k) 4 boxes of tools including a chain hoist, engine analyzer, socket set, tire patch kits, and misc hand tools.

 - l) In addition to these boxes, TNC included seven "Pop Up Classrooms" purchased from Computer Reach (\$10,700), each with 8 computers, a projector, screen, tables, chairs, 220 volt wiring strips, and transport cart.

 - m) BBF filled all remaining space in the container primarily with furnishings for Mashambanhaka Clinic, plus various other items. This included school desk chairs, benches, office chairs, exam tables, reception chairs, cabinets, medical tables, walkers, crutches, thermal blankets, mattresses, 63 boxes of medical supplies, feminine hygiene pads, sewing accessories, and pallet of books.
3. A message has been sent to Rev Mukundu declaring who at Nyadire should receive and distribute each item.

 4. BBF is providing relief supplies to Haiti after the massive earthquake of Aug 14. They will also provide supplies into New Orleans and generally Louisiana because of the ongoing Hurricane Ida..

C. Eye Glasses - (Don Ziegler & Dr Larry Tanyanyiwa)

1. Monitoring situation with COVID and travel inside Zimbabwe in order to conduct the "Faith Geer Memorial Eyeglasses Mission" when the time is right. Very kind of St. Paul's to fund this upcoming clinic.
2. Training Materials are being prepared and emailed to Nyadire for the team to conduct advanced training prior to upcoming clinics.
3. Upcoming meeting/presentation to investigate opportunity for a team to clean and perhaps process Eyeglasses. Sandy McKnight coordinating.
4. Sandy Kalmar, who processes our eyeglasses is retiring at the end of November and will no longer be involved with the Mission Vision Eyeglasses Program. The current inventory in Nyadire will sustain the program for several years. Don Z is evaluating how Sandy Kalmar's retirement will affect his continued Eyeglasses Mission work.
5. Don Z is considering Eyeglasses Mission work in Appalachia which may involve dispensing new eyeglasses following the model used by Mission Vision in the Greater Pittsburgh area.
6. Zimbabwe artist "Nigel" has provided several more paintings which will be reprinted and donated for sale at TNC Craft Fair Events, or possibly at the anniversary event auction.

C. Girl Empowerment Pad Program - (Bonnie Lawson & Charity Horiro)

1. Pittsburgh/Nyadire
 - a) Charity and Crescencia are working together to purchase necessary items for GEP kit production Soap is required as well as sewing machine needles.

D. Medical Supplies - (Irina Sheyko & Wilson Nhamoinesu)

1. Wilson Nhamoinesu confirms and provided invoices showing that all medicines for Nyadire Hospital have been collected from company PCD. These medicines will be used in Jul/Aug/Sept. Next funds (\$3000) will be sent in late Sept for use in Oct/Nov/Dec.

2. TNC provided \$5000 and Dr. Larry facilitated the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment for all 6 rural health clinics. Invoices were provided as well as photos

E. Rural Health Clinic Rebuilds - (Ralph Duckworth & Rev Austern Chepiri/Hannah Mafunda)

1. Mashambanhaka Clinic; Summary of Rev Chepiri's July report:
 - a) There was 10% progress during the month on Phase II - it is now 90% complete
 - b) The main clinic toilet block is 95% complete, up from 70% as of the end of June
 - c) The Waiting Mothers Home toilet block is 92% complete, up from 40%
 - d) General Service work (water tanks, waste management pits, water reticulation) is 96% complete, up slightly from 95%
 - e) Renovations to the Existing Clinic began during the month and are now 50% complete
 - f) Renovations to the Existing Staff Housing also began during July and are now 50% complete
 - g) Installation of the new Boundary Fencing began during July and is 50% complete
 - h) Replacement of the Diesel Pumping System with the new Solar Pumping System for the borehole began and is 50% complete - decommissioning of the old Diesel System is being performed by the Zimbabwe Water Authority
 - i) Delivery of bricks, sand and aggregate by the communities improved significantly during the month
 - j) Work planned for July includes:
 - (1) Cooking sheds and Blair toilets for staff housing
 - (2) Excavation, brickwork and plastering of waste management pits
 - (3) Electrical work, plumbing and tiling of the main clinic toilet block
 - (4) Plumbing, electrical work and tiling of the Mothers Waiting Home toilet block

- (5) Painting, electrical work, plumbing and tiling of the existing clinic and staff housing
- (6) Installation of the perimeter fencing
- k) Installation of the new borehole pumping system
- l) There may be a need for a Phase 2.6 to capture the cost of the removal and decommissioning of the existing borehole mono-pump and related column pipework. This work was overlooked in prior budgets and schedules - more details and a budget revision will be provided in the near future
- m) No new estimated completion date was provided in the report so presumably it remains at 8.31.21 - we have inquired as to any change - it seems likely that the completion date will slip to September or beyond
- n) Total official budgeted cost of Phase 2 remains at \$144,597 and total project cost at \$257,458 however as noted above, a cost variance is expected for the cost of decommissioning the existing borehole
- o) Payments for the project from TNC during July totaled \$4400.00:
 - (1) Building Contractor (Hama): \$4400.00
- p) Through June 30, 2021, TNC has funded \$112,862 for Phase 1 and \$148,997 for Phase 2 for a total of \$261,858
- q) TNC authorized an additional payment of \$3508 to the labor contractor on August 18, 2021, bringing total payments for Phase 2 to \$152,505 and total payments for the overall project to \$265,367
- r) The overall projected cost of the project remains at \$268,612. It is not clear if this total reflects the increase related to the decommissioning of the existing borehole discussed above - we have asked for clarification of the increase.
- s) We have asked if there has been any change to the 11.02.21 date for the Dedication of Mashambanhaka by Bishop Nhiwatiwa. Ralph Duckworth hopes to attend as well as Charlie Moore and others from the Baltimore/Washington Conference. MB Zollars, Marjorie Dold and others from TNC are also considering the trip, but much depends on how the current increase in COVID develops.

2. TNC transferred \$6600 directly to company "Orange Health" for the purchase of 20 hospital beds to be used at Mashambanhaka Clinic. Beds were delivered to Mashambanhaka on Aug 29. Photos were provided.
3. Nyashadzaishe Privilege Chepiri, daughter of Rev Austern Chepiri, was married on Aug 27. Rev Austern is the Zimbabwe Episcopal Area Project Coordinator and is doing an excellent job of managing the rebuild of Nyadire's health clinics.
4. Good progress is now being made on construction of Munyarari Clinic which is located in Manicaland and administered by Old Mutare Hospital.

F. Medical & Hospital Support - (Sue Bower & Dr Larry Tanyanyiwa)

1. Dr Larry advises that COVID cases are reducing and vaccinations are ongoing, but much more is needed to reach "herd immunity". The hospital continues to offer COVID testing, vaccinations, management of cases, contact tracing, and follow-up to positive cases.
2. Health professionals have been leaving Zimbabwe in search of better pay. In response to shortages, the Nyadire School of Nursing was selected to resume training of Primary Care Nurses. Classes begin Sept 6.
3. The water pump failed on the hospital autoclave. We are checking to see if a replacement pump can be provided thru CHOSEN, the original equipment supplier.
4. Roofing on the nursing school needs repair, as do almost all of vehicles in the hospital fleet.

III. Education and VIM Trips (Molly Michaels)

A. Engineers Without Borders/CMU - (Drew Harvey & Rev L. Mukundu)

1. After the summer break, EWB students are now back to the CMU campus and will be organizing the chapter, setting meeting times, etc. The

BioGas digester supplier (Blessing Jonga & Lewis Makurumure) has recently responded with part of the information required before a purchase order can be finalized, but several questions remain. The supplier would like to install the digester in October before the November rains, but we first need their full response.

2. There will be one 25 cubic meter digester located at the Primary School which will be fed with an expected 104 kg/day of cow waste collected throughout the mission. Food waste (primarily sadza) of approximately 18 kg/day will supplement the feed.

B. Sister Rut Scholarship Program (MB Zollars)

1. Funding strategies are being explored to keep the Scholarship Program afloat. Former sponsors have been contacted. The Rotary BBQ Chicken Fundraiser is a great hope for a grant. Molly Michael has offered to help by bringing the online giving for the Scholarship Program back. The Scholarship Committee will meet by ZOOM to strategize around the remaining funding needs. It keeps changing, but the amount needed to maintain the current number of scholarship students is approximately \$20,000/year. Just over half of this is covered by sponsorships and the remainder must be raised.
2. Update on three new candidates looking to begin university studies in September:
 - a) Blessing Mabii, accepted at Midland States University, Business Studies; beginning September 2021.
 - b) Rutendo Mupfawa, accepted at the University of Zimbabwe, Honours Program for Accounting and Finance; beginning August 2021.
 - c) Praise Mushamba, accepted for January 2022 intake.
3. Scholarships:
 - a) Tinashe Mapfumbidze(MSU) is staying in Gweru; online learning; 2:2 student; beginning attachment in October or November.

- b) Tsungirai Makoni 4:1 student in Actuarial Science at the University of Zimbabwe; waiting for exams; only one more semester before graduation!
- c) Campion Mujuru (University of Zimbabwe) is back at UZ taking exams.
- d) Lovemore Mbozvi has found an attachment with Mashava Mines near Gweru. He is studying Mining Engineering.
- e) Bernard Madyauta University of Great Zimbabwe.
- f) Fungai Chigumbura MSU, 2:1 student.
- g) Maryleen Dandira (Nyadire Teachers College) has finished her teaching practice at Nyamhara Primary and is looking forward to her next term at NTC.
- h) Lorraine Kapembeza: Africa University, Accounting. 2:1 student. Classes will remain online until 2022.
- i) Ruth Makoni: HOHO/O-Levels/A-Levels: Catholic University, Business Management and Information Technology; 2:2 student.
- j) Takunda Pedzai: Midland States University, Human Resources Management; 1:2 student.
- k) Raymond Chimbwanda: HOHO/O-levels/A-levels: University of Zimbabwe; Financial Economics and Trade; 1:2 student.
- l) Stephen Chadamoyo: O-levels/A-Levels: University of Zimbabwe, (tuition only); Physiotherapy; 1:1 student.
- m) Panashe Mafemera: O-levels/A-levels: Bindura University, Peace and Governance (tuition only) - 1:1 student.
- n) Nyasha Given Katema: (HOH) O-levels/A-levels: Zimbabwe Institute for Legal Studies. The school offers a variety of certificates and degrees, leading to careers from paralegal to lawyer. Nyasha will proceed from year to year, based on his interest, needs, and success. 1:1 student.

7. WORK/STUDY:

- a) Lindarose Chibinge: Lindarose has enrolled in Social Work at Midland States University for a master's degree specializing in Children's Rights and Protection. Lindarose will receive a small monthly stipend for her work at the HOH. It will be her responsibility to pay for her

own tuition and other expenses associated with getting her master's degree. She has agreed to work at the HOH throughout her studies. Indications are that she is interested in staying at the HOH after completion.

8. TABUDIRIRA VOCATIONAL CENTRE CANDIDATES:

- i) New student: Leeroy Nyamukapa (O-levels Nyadire High School); accepted into Building Studies.
- j) Angeline Mujuru (Campion's sister) (HOHO): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021
- k) Lorraine Chipembere (Fradreck's daughter) (HOHO): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021
- l) Tinotenda Kadyautumbe (HOH): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021

9. AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP:

- a) John Sperry (VIM) has engaged with us in building an agricultural aspect of the Scholarship Program. Precious Muripo has been accepted at Blackfordby Agricultural Institute. Her registration fee and General Purpose Levy (accepting the offer) have been paid.

10. On hold:

- a) Josphat Nyatoro (HOHO): O-levels: changed intention to pursuing 3 more O-level subjects in order to attend Harare Polytechnic. His scholarship will be re-visited a year from now.
- b) Rodney Matonga (Rev. Forbes and Nyaradzai's son) is a leading candidate for an agricultural scholarship. He seeks financial assistance in completing his diploma at Blackfordby Agricultural Institute in Agribusiness and Farm Management. After this, he wishes to pursue his studies in a degree program in agriculture. Conversations are underway.

C. Hearing Innovation (Molly Michael & Tendayi Mushapaidze)

1. Funds (\$400) sent for the Master Program of Simbarashe. The initial transfer of funds (\$390) to Emerald Hill School for the Deaf for Charles Niwitia did not go thru and this was sent again on 8/31 with corrected bank info.
2. Coordinating to send HI school fees for this term.

D. VIM Trips - Molly Michael & Rev Mukundu

1. Depending on the COVID restrictions, a group hopes to travel to Zimbabwe for the Mashambanhaka Clinic dedication on Nov 2, as well as other dedications and discussions. The team includes Charlie and Carol Moore, Jim Gourley, Sue McCann, Esther Andrews, Ralph Duckworth, and possibly others from TNC
2. Molly Michael is reaching out to a few people regarding taking over leadership for this program - will be a gradual process
3. Violet Mutasa may assist me with future Cultural Trainings
4. Bethel UMC of Someset is donating several "paraments" which can be carried over by future VIM teams. Thanks to Sandra Matoushaya for coordinating!

E. Misc

1. Sarah Flower of Avonworth Middle School provided a "Pen Pal Video" of 10 students saying hello and asking questions of the Nyadire students. M. Michael forwarded to Charity Horiro and she will facilitate a reply when classes are back in sessions.

[Avonworth To Nyadire](#)

IV. Orphans - (MB Zollars & Emmanuel Chiimba)

A. Overall:

1. School terms: Terms 2 & 3 are being combined into one long term of 109 days (versus 80 each).

B. HOHO - Marie Hunt & E. Chiimba

1. ON HOLD: pricing, purchasing, and distributing of the backpacks and school supplies in Zimbabwe. A person has not been identified to take on this task.
2. Term 2/3 school fees are being prepared.
3. All schools receiving Pop-Up Classrooms have secure rooms for their storage.
4. Outreach Committee:
 - a) Chairperson: Noreen Chitengu (Manhembra Primary)
 - b) Vice Chair: Tawanda Muswe (Rudawiro Primary)
 - c) Secretary: Esnath Zimbira (Nyadire Primary)
 - d) Treasurer: Nicodemus Bandira (Nyadire High School)
 - e) Finance Secretary: Fiona Chiroroma (Nyakabau Primary)
5. STEM in Nyadire:
 - a) Maddie Gioffre is the CEO of the nonprofit and all-volunteer organization for S.Y.STEM, which promotes STEM education. Currently, two teachers at Nyadire Primary, Tirivangani Mabvute (leader of Science Club) and Portia Mambwere (Grade 6 Math Teacher), and Nyadire High School Science teacher, Mr. Musariri, make up the representatives in Nyadire. Maddie has written the proposal to the board of S.Y.STEM for approval. Coordination with CMU's Computer Science Academy will make it possible to share curricula. Key components include: coding training, relationship building with educators, and community meetings. Travel is planned for mid-2022 and will rely on TNC for contacts, cultural training, and team support. Two representatives from S.Y.STEM are proposed to travel and lead the works
 - b) STEM connections with Africa University will also be explored

C. HOH - MB Zollars & E. Chiimba

1. Sept/Oct funds are being prepared, along with funds for formula for the orphaned baby.
2. Follow-up: All sponsors have been contacted about following their child to Scholarship Program or being assigned a new child.
3. Email to Sponsors: Sponsors will soon receive a short update and a link to the article about TNC's 15-year anniversary.

V. Fund Development (Debbie Little)

- A. Two committees are working to acknowledge TNC's 15 year anniversary (2006 - 2021). They are a "Celebration" committee and a "Forward 15" committee.
- B. "Celebration" - Debbie Little is leading this planning team.
 1. Committee - Debbie Little, Drew Harvey, Tim Wesley, Sue Bower, Carole Butler, Tracy Ekstam, Deborah Swineford, Bonnie Lawson will help with set up. Mary Beth will drive auction items from South Hills to Dutilh. Crafts too???
 2. Purposes of the Event - Celebrate the Anniversary, Roll out any new strategic plan, Get more churches involved in TNC (Friend-Raising)
 3. Date - Sunday Nov 14 at 6:00 - 8:00 pm @ Dutilh UMC in Cranberry
 4. Format - Not a sit down dinner, keep it simple and not an expensive/ catered affair. Mingling and auction first, with program to start at 6:50 and finish at 8:00.
 5. Venue: Dutilh UMC in Cranberry Township.
 - a) Newly expanded and reconstructed Fellowship Hall, Large parking lot. Dutilh kitchen ministry (Dutilh's TNC team) to prepare appetizers and desserts (all finger food). Menu was circulated previously! For 60 people at today's food prices, cost is estimated at \$5/person; tickets will be sold for a profit. If we sell more than 60 tickets, another appetizer will be added to the menu

- b) Dutilh will need an estimated head count 2 weeks out and a final head count 4 days before the event, Nov. 10. Ticket sales will end Nov. 9
- c) Dutilh custodial staff will set up tables & chairs

6. Fundraising

- a) Ticket sales begin 9/7. Individual tickets will be sold for \$25; package of 8 tickets will be sold for \$160
- b) Individual tickets will be sold online only, on a site called Event Bright; they can be purchased using a credit card or PayPal; Event Bright can link to Facebook for "sharing" and to the TNC website; Event Bright will charge 1% per ticket for this service
- c) There is a discount for the purchase of 8 tickets for \$160; those will be paper tickets that D. Little will create, print and send; so far Ralph, Bonnie and Phil are purchasing 8 tickets each
- d) No tickets will be sold at the door. Good will offering will also be taken. Crafts will be sold - will need a volunteer to set up & "man" the table, possibly more than 1 person
- e) There will be a Chinese auction (raffle tickets) and a silent auction (bidding on a clipboard); C. Butler and D. Little will co-chair the auction; donations of gift baskets, gift certificates, art, tickets etc. will be needed

7. Program -

- a) The Blessing Zimbabwe & possibly additional music videos from Nyadire choir(s) and videos from the initial trip in 2006.
- b) Agenda
 - (1) 5 pm - Set up team arrives; Test AV equipment/ presentations
 - (2) 5:45 pm - Start Zimbabwe music videos

- (3) 6 pm - Guests begin to arrive; Silent auction open
- (4) 6:45 pm - Welcome from Debbie and prayer from Pastor Tom Parkinson (Dutilh) Announce that auction will end at 7:45 pm. Program begins
- (5) 7:45 pm - Auction ends. During program, Debbie and Carole Butler will pick raffle ticket auction winners and determine highest bidders on silent auction items
- (6) 8 pm Program ends; Auction winners posted, Closing prayer by Pastor Jim Gascoine (Dutilh)

8. Plan to Involve New Churches

- a) Debbie, Ralph and Tim met with Pastors Tom and Jim (Dutilh pastors) on June 29 to brainstorm about how to get additional churches engaged, starting with this event:
 - b) Ministers and many others will be contacted and encouraged to attend and to consider ongoing engagement with TNC. Churches to be contacted include Ingomar, Sewickley, Bakersfield, Calvary, Shady-side, Warren. Personal invitations will be sent to specific individuals.
 - c) Meeting set up with new DS Deborah Ackley-Killian on Sept 11 with D. Little, Rev J. Gascoine, R. Duckworth, D. Harvey
9. Publicity - Tim Wesley has developed a publicity plan and is preparing an anniversary edition of the newsletter which might be nicely printed as a take-home commemorative for the event.

10. HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- k) Sell tickets, particularly to people not yet involved with TNC, by directing them to the link to "Event Bright" on TNC website and by "sharing" the Event Bright post on FaceBook—tickets \$25/person

- l) Consider purchasing a package of 8 tickets in order to invite guests from other churches; price \$160 for 8; contact Debbie Little for these paper tickets
 - m) Make sure your pastor(s) attend and that they bring a pastor and outreach/missions chair from a new church
 - n) Volunteer to set up, "man" and take down the craft sale
 - o) Donate for the auction: gift baskets, gift certificates, tickets, art, etc.; Mary Beth will transport auction items to Dutilh about a week before the event
 - p) Questions? Call Debbie at 412-951-4340
- C. "Forward 15" - Chuck Billerbeck is leading a team that is working with Nyadire to establish a vision for the next 15 years, and also a strategic plan/organizational structure that optimizes and sustains TNC for the future. The theme for both Nyadire and TNC is "Moving toward Self Sustainability".
1. The newly created Zimbabwe UMC Episcopal Area Agricultural Strategy Board first conducted an audit to understand the potential for agricultural development of all church lands. Six properties, including Nyadire, submitted proposals to this board and the board then developed and submitted a combined proposal requesting \$1.5M to GBGM.
 2. GBGM favorably received the proposal, but first asked that a staff of perhaps six new people, including a dedicated treasurer, should be in place to manage the program. As this is resolved, specific plans will be made for initial development.
 3. Although not finalized, the initial proposal for Nyadire includes starting with dry land crop farming, an abattoir, a poultry operation with company Irvine, and procurement of a river irrigation system.
 4. The proposed TNC organizational structure is to establish a lead team of a chairperson, vice-chair, finance director, and a member at large. After 1 year, or more, of service the vice chair would assume the chair-

person position. A "pool" of future vice-chair candidates would also be maintained and nominations are requested for who might be in this pool. Discussions with candidates for these positions are in progress.

5. The BP/USC Rotary has expressed interest in supporting Nyadire Agricultural development. TNC will present to the club on Dec 14.
6. Next "Forward 15" meeting - Tuesday, Aug 31 and Sept 14.
7. The objective is to present both the Nyadire future vision and an updated TNC organization at the Nov 14 Celebration Event. C. Billerbeck will present the future TNC organization and videos with Rev Mukundu and Rev Gurupira will present the future vision for Nyadire.

VI. Promotion / Communication - (Tim Wesley)

1. Promoting TNC's 15th anniversary (2006-21)
 - a) Developing program for Nov. 14 event
 - b) Coordinating videos with Zimbabwe freelancer
 - c) Sent Save the Date for anniversary event
 - d) Pitched story to Post-Gazette
2. Planning October newsletter stories
3. TNC booth at Dutilh Ministry Fair
4. New TNC presentation on website
5. Barb Greway updated TNC's 15 panel wooden display board. This was used by D. Swineford at 2 events and will be used at Dutilh UMC's ministry fair.
6. Western Pa Clergy Spouses Retreat (Aug 28,29) - Debra Swineford attended and promoted TNC at this event.
7. Ongoing communicating with network churches
 - a) Nov. 14 event

- b) Newsletter
- c) UM News story

VII. Finance - (Richard Dickey)

- A. As of 07/31/2021, TNC had \$92,072 in restricted funds and \$33,606 in unrestricted. Preliminary, not final, results for 08/24/2021 has \$90,463 in restricted accounts and \$28,824 in unrestricted.
- B. Chuck Billerbeck is working with Richard Dickey and CUMC to simplify and optimize TNC's financial procedures. The objective is to enable much of the process to be conducted remotely, to minimize the dependence on CUMC, and to ease the transition for future financial leaders.
- C. TNC sent \$2400 on Jul 4 to repair the church vehicle which has not been operational for an extended time. Repairs include new tires, suspension parts, body work, fuel pump, engine service, and painting. As repairs progressed, additional problems emerged requiring removal and rework of the engine. Hopefully the vehicle will be ready in early Sept.
- D. Funds recently transferred
 1. Jun 27 - \$3000 transfer to PCD for purchase of drugs for Jul/Aug/Sept.
 2. Jun 28 - \$980 sent via World Remit as doctor salary stipend for Jul/Aug/Sept
 3. Jun 28 - \$800 payment to Global Links for suture purchase
 4. Jun 28 - \$6600 payment to Orange Health for purchase of beds for Mashambanhaka
 5. Jun 29 - \$250 to Kudzai Chingwe
 6. Jun 29 - \$545 wired to Bindura University for payment of fees for Panashe Maferma.
 7. Jul 4 - \$2400 sent via World Remit to C. Kuwana for repair of church vehicle.

8. July 7- \$390 transferred to Emerald Hill for payment Hearing Impaired education fees for Charles Niwita. Because of banking detail problems, these funds were sent again on Aug 31.
9. July 13 - \$8350 to the HOH for Jul/Aug budget, formula expense, work study fees for Lindarose, 2nd term school fees, and college travel expense for Precious. Monthly budget amount is being increased to \$3650/month.
10. July 14 - \$100 to Blackfordby College to secure acceptance of Precious Muripo.
11. July 20 - transfer of \$115 for education fees of Lorraine Kapembeza
12. July 26 - \$4400 to Mashambanhaka contractor, Nyakudanga Building.
13. July 26 - \$6602 to be reimbursed to MB Zollars for funds sent via World Remit for scholarship payment of education fees for 13 students.
14. Aug 15 - \$5000 sent via World Remit to Dr Larry for purchase of PPE
15. Aug 18 - \$3508 to building contractor for continued construction of Mashambanhaka (Interim Certificate #9)
16. Aug 31 - \$400 sent to the HOH to be collected by Simbarashe for payment of HI master program fees.

VIII. TNC Organization / Miscellaneous - (Drew Harvey)

- A. Christmas Connection - Nyadire Christmas cards for 2020 are included with the upcoming Container Shipment. We do not expect to send additional cards for 2021. The insert for signatures for the 2021 Christmas Cards that will be sent locally to TNC supporters are at Dutilh UMC this week.
- B. The Bethel Park "Chicken BBQ Meal" will be Oct 9 at Bethel Park High School and will be take-out only. Ticket price is \$15. Tickets can be purchased on CUMC's website or thru Phil Himmler. Phil's target is 900 tickets so everyone's help is needed! You can also purchase tickets which will be donated to SHIM. <https://www.christumc.net/missions>

IX Recent and Upcoming Events

- Mar 1, 2020 - Construction begins on rebuild of Mashambanhaka
- early March, 2020 - Two TNC containers arrive at Nyadire

- May 2020 - April 2021 - Food distribution to Nyadire families
- Dec 2, 2020 - "Cash for Clinics" Webinar for Mashambanhaka Clinic
- June 23, 2021 - Container shipment departs BBF
- Aug 15 - MB Zollars presents TNC to Mt Leb UMC "Faith for Today"
- Aug 28/29 - Western Pa Conference Spouses Retreat
- Aug 31 - "Forward 15" strategy meeting
- Sept 7 - expected arrival of Container to Beira, Mozambique followed by delivery to Nyadire
- Sept 7 - ticket sales begin for TNC Anniversary Event of Nov 14
- Sept 7 - Anniversary Event Planning Meeting
- Sept 11, 12 - Dutilh UMC Ministry Fair. TNC will be represented
- Sept 13 - Meeting with DS Deborah Ackley-Killian to introduce TNC
- Sept 14 - "Forward 15" strategy meeting
- Oct 2021 - Target installation of BioGas Digester at Nyadire Primary.
- Oct 9 - Rotary Chicken BBQ Meal
- Nov 2 - Dedication of Mashambanhaka Clinic & Dindi Clinic
- Nov 14 - Event recognizing TNC's 15th anniversary
- Dec 14 - TNC Strategy presentation to BP/USC Rotary
- Summer 2022 - STEM Coding Workshop at Nyadire by S.Y.STEM Coalition.