# TNC Meeting Minutes - Nov 29, 2021

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Next TNC Meeting - Monday, Jan 31, 2022 - again via ZOOM (no December meeting expected)

# TNC Meeting Minutes Nov 29, 2021 - meeting via ZOOM

## I. Opening Prayer

## II. General

- A. Zimbabwe reported 133,000 total COVID cases and 4669 deaths a month ago at our last TNC meeting. As of Nov 27, cases have increased to 134,000 and deaths to 4705 which is quite a small increase. However, since a new variant, Omicron, has been identified in South Africa, the USA has banned travelers from Zimbabwe, and other southern African countries, into the USA.
- B. The STEP program advises to use increased caution when traveling to Zimbabwe due to high incidence of crime. Due to Omicron, as of 11/29 the travel advisory has been increased to Level IV, "Do Not Travel".
- C. Team travel to Zimbabwe will probably not be recommended in 2023 as this will be an election year.
- D. Approximately 180,000 Zimbabweans now work and live in South Africa under an "Exemption Permit" which was granted during the times of turmoil in Zimbabwe. However, the permits expire at year end 2021 and these people then have one year to obtain a normal work permit, or they must return to Zimbabwe. Also, people must return to Zimbabwe during the application process.
- E. Simon Mafunda, husband of Hannah Mafunda, has been appointed to the leadership team of the Wesley Covenant Association to assist in communication throughout Africa.

#### II. <u>Health</u> -

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

- 1. The container which departed BBF on June 23 arrived in Beira, Mozambique on Sept 20. The reasons are not clear, but customs clearance documents were not available when the container arrived and obtaining the documents has been extensively delayed. Storage and demurrage fees continue to accumulate and will likely exceed \$15000. Also of concern is that with continued delays, the container could be seized and sold at public auction. The initial clearing agent has been released and a new clearing agent is now working with Rev L. Mukundu to rapidly process the needed approvals. TNC and BBF have little control over this part of the process other than ongoing communication and pressure.
- 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.
  - 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. TNC no longer maintains a storage unit for donated items, and all programs are working to obtain needed support items within Zimbabwe. Considering the major problems with this container, we currently do not plan to send additional dedicated containers to Nyadire. BBF does expect to periodically send Zimbabwe containers thru ZACH, and TNC will opportunistically include items with such shipments.
- 4. Bonnie Lawson has been nominated and expects to join the BBF Board of Directors.

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

- 1. Working with Dr Larry to help coordinate. We have exchanged numerous texts and he has been very responsive.
- 2. Looking to begin on Monday 11/29 if everything comes together to make it happen. Will serve 4 clinics including Nyadire, Dendera, Chikwizo and Nyahuku. Plan to finish on Tuesday 12/14, if we start as scheduled.
- 3. Head Nurse Primrose is the overall leader and is helping coordinate all aspects of the Eyeglasses Program.
- 4. In addition to the 3 leaders (Primrose, Artwell and Nurse Paul), there are 5 experienced Assistants available to help.
- 5. We still have a problem with transportation. Dr Larry said he would help, and I have a mini-bus as a back-up plan that the Artist Nigel has helped arrange. We don't need the vehicle until Friday, 12/3 when the team is scheduled to travel to Dendera.
- 6. Hopefully, this will all come together so that we can use the funds kindly donated by St Paul's UNC.

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

 Collected a model 66 redeye Singer Sewing Machine for conversion to manual hand crank

- 2. Collected 40 GEP kits from Abright UMW: Collected 106 GEP kits from Paradise UMC. Thanks to Susan Summy for bringing these to the TNC event! The Waiting Mothers at Nyadire Hospital is currently the only location with a inventory of GEP kits.
- 3. Thanks to Mt. Lebanon UMW for the reprinting the girls education booklet
- 4. Kathleen Kennedy sold pottery at the CUMC event for the GEP program. Funds are earmarked for the reprinting project and a quotation was requested from William C. for in country printing.
- 5. Program updates provided to Charity and Crescencia

### D. Medical Supplies - (?) & Wilson Nhamoinesu)

Funds sent and medicines collected for the months of Oct/Nov/Dec,
 2021. TNC will next send funds (\$3000) in late December for medicines
 to be used in Jan/Feb/Mar, 2022.

# E. <u>Medical & Hospital Support - (Sue Bower & Dr Larry Tanyanyiwa)</u>

- 1. Dr Larry update:
  - a) COVID situation is stable, but great anxiety over the spread of the new variant, omicron
  - b) Vaccinations are ongoing with recent approval to vaccinate 16 & 17 year olds as well as pregnant and lactating women. Majority of this age at Nyadire high school have been vaccinated
  - c) Construction of the theater, pharmacy, & kitchen renovation is ongoing
  - d) Laboratory chemistry analyzer is down and needs repair quotation of \$1390 provided and assistance requested.
  - e) A new doctor is expected soon at Nyadire

- f) Preparation for eyeglass clinics is going well. However, the vehicle needed for transportation requires repairs and Christopher will provide a cost estimate.
- 2. The replacement water pump (provided by company "CHOSEN") for the Nyadire autoclave arrived at ZACH on Oct 25 and has now been collected and installed. Autoclave is again functional. Total TNC cost was \$489 for purchase, \$350 shipping, and \$175 duty for a total of \$1014.
- 3. The St. Paul's UMC endowment fund has awarded \$5000 to TNC for the repair of the ceiling at the School of Nursing. Nyadire began with some available funds, and will now provide an estimate to complete the work.

  As soon as this is received, TNC will determine what can be supported.
- 4. Kathleen Griffith, team leader of GBGM's Global Health unit reached out to TNC suggesting a discussion of future partnerships or coordination of projects. An initial Zoom call with Ralph Duckworth and D. Harvey is scheduled on Nov 30.

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

- 1. The Dindi and Mashambanhaka Clinics were dedicated on November 2, 2021 by Bishop Nhiwatiwa. Ralph Duckworth participated in both dedication ceremonies. Also representing TNC were Sue McCann and Jim Gourley. Also in attendance were Charlie and Carol Moore and Esther Andrews of the Zim Vim organization, which has funded some improvements to the Dindi Clinic.
- 2. Ralph, Jim and Sue visited the Chindenga Clinic on November 1, 2021 and were joined by Hannah Mafunda, Rev. Austern Chepiri and Gairkayi Livingstone of the ZUMC Head Office. There was a meeting with the clinic staff and the Community leaders regarding the need for the new clinic and how it should be laid out on the property. The Community leaders seemed to be very engaged and supportive of the project, including

- agreement to donate land so that the size of the clinic site can be expanded.
- 3. Various strategies are being considered to raise the monies needed to rebuild the clinic, including an effort to get various churches to commit to raising funds for a particular section of the clinic, such as the Waiting Mothers' Shelter.
- 4. The officials from the Head Office are putting together the design specs and cost estimates and will provide those to us when completed.

# III. Education and VIM Trips (Molly Michaels)

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

- During his recent trip to Zimbabwe, Ralph Duckworth met with the Bio-Gas contractor (Blessing Jonga and Lewis Makurumure). They made a credible impression and also responded to a number of outstanding questions.
- 2. The EWB students continue to work on the "Pre Trip Implementation Report" which must be submitted to and approved by EWB National before the project can proceed. This extensive documentation is expected to be completed soon. Some funds are in place but additional fundraising is also required. Possible implementation is May 2022.
- 3. 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. <u>Sister Rut Scholarship Program (MB Zollars)</u>

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.

2. Update on new candidate: Praise Mushamba, accepted for January 2022 intake.

## 3. Scholarships:

- a) Rutendo Mupfawa, accepted at the University of Zimbabwe, Honours Program for Accounting and Finance; began October 2021
- b) Blessing Mabii, accepted at Midland States University, Business Studies; began September 2021.
- c) Tinashe Mapfumbidze(MSU) is staying in Gweru; online learning; 2:2 student; beginning attachment in October or November.
- d) Tsungirai Makoni 4:1 student in Actuarial Science at the University of Zimbabwe; waiting for exams; only one more semester before graduation!
- e) Campion Mujuru (University of Zimbabwe; medicine; 3.1 student) is starting his clinicals.
- f) Lovemore Mbozvi on attachment with Mashava Mines near Gweru. He is studying Mining Engineering.
- g) Bernard Madyauta University of Great Zimbabwe, 3:1 student; beginning attachment at the Harare City Council.
- h) Fungai Chigumbura MSU, 3:1 student, looking for attachment.
- i) Maryleen Dandira (Nyadire Teachers College) is preparing for exams.
- j) Lorraine Kapembeza: Africa University, Accounting. 2:1 student. Classes will remain online until 2022.
- k) Ruth Makoni: HOHO/O-Levels/A-Levels: Catholic University, Business Management and Information Technology; 2:2 student.
- Takunda Pedzai: Midland States University, Human Resources Management; 1:2 student.
- m) Raymond Chimbwanda: HOHO/O-levels/A-levels: University of Zimbabwe; Financial Economics and Trade; 1:2 student.

- n) Stephen Chadamoyo: O-levels/A-Levels: University of Zimbabwe, (tuition only); Physiotherapy; 1:1 student.
- o) Panashe Mafemera: O-levels/A-levels: Bindura University, Peace and Governance (tuition only) 1:1 student.
- p) 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.

#### 4. WORK/STUDY:

a) Lindarose Chibinge: Lindarose is enrolled in Social Work at Midland States University for a master's degree specializing in Children's Rights and Protection. She has completed her second semester. She has agreed to work at the HOH throughout her studies.

#### 5. TABUDIRIRA VOCATIONAL CENTRE CANDIDATES:

- a) Leeroy Nyamukapa (O-levels Nyadire High School); Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Building Studies, began September 2021
- b) Angeline Mujuru (Campion's sister) (HOHO): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021
- c) Lorraine Chipembere (Fradreck's daughter) (HOHO): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021
- d) Tinotenda Kadyautumbe (HOH): O-levels: Tabudirira Vocational Centre, Hotel and Catering, began 6 April 2021

#### 6. 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.
- b) Tinashe Katsuro has been accepted for an Agricultural Scholarship. He is looking forward to starting his studies in August 2022.

- c) 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.
- d) The student looking to complete a master's degree in agriculture has been denied a scholarship at this time. It has been deemed that the scholarship be designated for an undergraduate student.

#### e) On hold:

(1) 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.

### C. Hearing Innovation (Molly Michael & Tendayi Mushapaidze)

- "Give the Gift of an Education." Holiday Sponsorship Initiative for the HI Program (this will include the Mutoko Special Education Program).
   M. Michael will soon share with all of our network churches, etc.
- 2. Assembly of boarding kits will be done in the spring and hopefully carried over with a Summer 2022 team
- 3. HI Newsletter distributed. 4 students competed in a provincial quiz competition and came in 3rd place!
- 4. One new student added to the HI Program

## D. Mutoko Special Education Program - Molly Michael & Joseph Muzondo

1. TNC has sponsored some students at Mutoko Primary over the years. M. Michael visited the school in 2016 and noticed they had a special education program that serves individuals with an intellectual disability. Violet Mutasa enabled the connection and this will be another sponsorship program under the Education Area. Joseph has been helping with logistics.

- a) At this time we have 2 donations unattached from sponsoring
- b) There are 20 students
- c) TNC will support this program at no more than 75%

## E. VIM Trips - Molly Michael & Rev Mukundu

- Several hand knitted caps donated by Diane Morris for eventual carry over by VIM teams.
- 2. A group has returned from Zimbabwe for the Mashambanhaka Clinic dedication on Nov 2, as well as other dedications and discussions. The team included Charlie and Carol Moore, Jim Gourley, Sue McCann, Esther Andrews of Dallas, and Ralph Duckworth.
- 3. There are a few people interested in travel for the summer of 2022. Rev D5 Deborah Ackley-Killian hopes to join one of these teams and has also offered to meet with departing teams and bless the travels.
- 4. There may be a possible Zoom Q&A for interested volunteers before the holidays. A general announcement for Summer 2022 teams will be sent out
- 5. There will be a mandatory Cultural Awareness training early 2022 for all interested volunteers. Planning will take place knowing however that with the current climate things may change.
- 6. Molly Michael would be interested in traveling for about 10 days in February, if possible. This may not be possible as Zim is now at a level 4 due to Omicron.

#### F. MISC

- 1. The "Dress A Girl" group will have dresses/britches available for our next large team to carry over
- 2. M. Michael is in contact with Charity H. with regards to the virtual pen pal relationship with Avonworth.

## 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). E. Chiimba will be on leave from Dec 1 - Jan 1.

### 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. Winnet has delivered school uniforms to Mutambwe, Nyamhara (girls), Rudawiro, Nyakabau, and Gadaga. The next set of funds is being sent to continue with primary school uniforms.

#### 3. Outreach Committee:

- a) Chairperson: Noreen Chitengu (Manhemba 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)

## 4. STEM in Nyadire:

- a) Maddie Gioffre is the CEO of the nonprofit all-volunteer organization SYSTEM Coalition which promotes STEM education. The program has been approved by the SYSTEM Coalition Board and plans are active to conduct a Coding Worksop at Nyadire between May and August, 2022. Dates will be coordinated with a TNC team traveling to Nyadire.
- b) 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, represent Nyadire and are working on workshop plans.

- c) D. Harvey, V. Mutasa, and MB Zollars met via Zoom with Maddie Gioffre, Angela Ny, and Tara Stentz on Nov 19. Angela and Tara expect to lead the workshops in Nyadire. SYSTEM Coalition will raise \$15000 to cover all expenses. As part of fundraising, they will reach out to Zimbabwe nationals living in the USA for support.
- d) 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.
- e) STEM connections with Africa University will also be explored

### C. HOH - MB Zollars & E. Chiimba

- Nov/Dec funds have been sent, along with funds for formula for the orphaned baby.
- 2. Eight new children have arrived at the Home of Hope. They are adjusting well. These additions bring the total HOH children to 25.
- 3. Update to Sponsors: The November Update is prepared and will be sent out in the upcoming days.
- 4. Three children have been re-integrated: Kelvin, Tanaka, and Tall Tinotenda. Kelvin will finish Form 4 at Nyadire High School (through December). Tanaka and Tall Tinotenda may be absorbed by the HOHO program.
- 5. Christ Kids (CUMC Sunday School & Youth) are collecting for a cow for the HOH.

# V. Fund Development (Debbie Little)

A. TNC's 15 year anniversary celebration event was very successfully held on Nov 14

- 1. 124+ people attended, with many additional watching online. Link to a recording of the event has been distributed Churches represented include Dutilh, First Bethel, CUMC, St Pauls, Mt Lebanon, Bakerstown, Ingomar, Calvary, and Warren UMC.
- 2. Funds after expenses, proceeds from the event as of 11/30 are \$7242 but some additional funds continue to come in.
  - \$3095 in ticket sales; \$4000 from raffle, silent auction, donations;
     \$700 from craft sales; More still coming in All raffle and auction items sold.
- 3. Dutilh UMC provided an exceptional and well organized venue Dutilh's food bill was \$856. Tim Wesley will draft an official "Thank You" to Dutilh UMC for their significant support
- 4. 4 videos of Zimbabweans produced by Kudzai Chingwe were effectively integrated into the program
- 5. Few people completed the "How to get involved with TNC" cards, but these will be followed up with.

## B. <u>"Forward 15"</u> -

- 1. The agricultural committee and the ZIM UMC are working closely with GBGM to determine how to go forward with plans to develop the agricultural potential of church properties.
- 2. GBGM indicates that \$2M has been set aside for agriculture in Southern Africa and will begin in Zimbabwe with \$500,000 split among 4 properties Nyadire & Hanwa in Zim West and Mutare and Mutambara in Zim East. A staff of 3 will be hired to initiate and manage development in both conferences.
- 3. This initial \$500,000 could lay the groundwork for effective development at these 4 locations. Once this is established, there could be a proposal for major funds required to support a profit driven business plan (irrigation, equipment, operational capital, etc). Those major funds

- could partly come from additional requests to GBGM, but also outside supporters like TNC.
- 4. The BP/USC Rotary has expressed interest in supporting Nyadire Agricultural development.
- 5. The new TNC organizational structure has been announced and broadly distributed. A Lead Team with 5 positions has been established:
  - a) Ralph Duckworth will act as Chairman and focus on "Strategic Outreach". This position will work closely with Nyadire and the Zimbabwe UMC Episcopal Area to insure we share a common vision, and that our work has the proper objectives, structure, and priorities.
  - b) Debbie Little will lead "Strategic Inreach" which will coordinate development and growth of TNC supporters including local churches, organizations, and individuals.
  - c) Chuck Billerbeck will lead Finance and insure that all the broad aspects of TNC financial transactions and budget controls are managed correctly and transparently.
  - d) Sandy McKnight will provide oversight to TNC Programs and also support administrative functions. Currently there are 12 TNC programs, each with co-leaders in Pittsburgh and Nyadire.
  - e) Tim Wesley will lead Communication and Public Relations.
- 6. The initial TNC Leadership Team Planning Meeting was held Nov 18 at Dutilh UMC. A "Funds Approval" process has been developed and after final comments, will be implemented. Actual transition will be effective Jan 1, 2022.

# VI. <u>Promotion / Communication - (Tim Wesley)</u>

- 1. Promoted TNC's 15th anniversary and Nov. 14 event
  - a) Published newsletter/insert
  - b) Coordinated videos with Zimbabwe freelancer

- c) Posted/Emailed event video and newsletter/insert
- 2. Developing plan to update website
  - a) Review all text and photos
  - b) Consider using paid search terms to drive readership
- 3. Issued TNC email for "Giving Tuesday"
- 4. Ongoing communications with network churches, other UM communicators
- 5. Next newsletter expected in mid January.
- 6. Working with Debbie Little to follow up with event attendees

## VII. <u>Finance</u> - (Richard Dickey)

- A. As of 10/31/2021, TNC had \$78087 in restricted funds and \$28283 in unrestricted. Preliminary, not final, results for 11/23/2021 has \$77892 in restricted accounts and \$28478 in unrestricted.
- B. Funds recently transferred
  - Sept 28 \$3000 to company PCD for Nyadire medicines for use Oct/ Nov/Dec 2021.
  - 2. Sept 30 \$2300 sent via World Remit for salary stipend of medical doctor for Oct/Nov/Dec.
  - 3. Oct 5 \$850 via World Remit to Christopher Kuwana for continued repair of church vehicle
  - 4. Oct 13 \$1900 to E. Chiimba for payment of HOHO school fees and \$500 for payment of Tabudirira Vocational School Fees.
  - 5. Oct 14 \$4520 to Mashambanhaka building contractor Hama Nyakudanga.
  - 6. Oct 20 \$200 via World Remit to Kudzai Chingwe for final payment of anniversary videos. \$400 was sent on Sept 11.
  - 7. Nov 19 Payment of \$856 to Dutilh UMC for provision of food for Anniversary event
  - 8. Nov 4 Reimbursement of \$9299.99 to MB Zollars for funds sent via World Remit to students in TNC's Scholarship Program

- 9. Nov 5 \$8100 wire transferred to Nyadire HOH account (\$40 Scholarship, \$190 school fees, \$7850 for 2 months HOH budget and baby formula; \$20 bank fees)
- 10. Nov 27 \$900 transfer initiated to Winnet (thru E Chiimba) for continued support to her business start-up and supply of uniforms

# VIII. TNC Organization / Miscellaneous - (Drew Harvey)

- A. TNC provided \$3250 in 2 transfers to repair the Nyadire Church Vehicle. Although many unexpected problems were identified, the vehicle is now in service.
- B. Initial discussion held with the non-profit organization "New Vines" on Nov 15. New Vines has successfully implemented Micro-Loan programs in several locations and could potentially partner with TNC to initiate something at Nyadire.
- C. Christmas Connection Nyadire Christmas cards for 2020 are included with the Container Shipment. We will not send additional Nyadire cards for 2021. The insert for signatures for the 2021 Christmas Cards to local supporters has been signed and final cards will now be assembled.
- D. The USC/BP Rotary "Chicken BBQ Meal" was held Oct 9 and TNC was again the top seller 950 tickets. Pete Muck will be providing the application for funds which MB Zollars and P. Himmler will complete. In past years, TNC has been awarded \$5000. Funds distribution will be in spring, 2022.
- E. MB Zollars recently sold TNC crafts at CUMC's craft fair and raised \$250. Tom Greway sold TNC crafts at St Paul's Mission Mall and also raised \$250.

# 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
- Sept 20 Container arrives at Beira, Mozambique. Awaits customs.
- Oct 9 USC/BP Rotary Chicken BBQ Meal
- Oct 20 Nov 11; Jim Gourley & Sue McCann in Zimbabwe
- Oct 28 Nov 9 R. Duckworth in Zimbabwe
- Oct 28 Nov 11; Charlie & Carol Moore in Zimbabwe
- Oct 29 R. Duckworth meets in Zimbabwe with BioDigester vendor
- Oct 30,31 R. Duckworth at Nyadire
- Nov 1 R. Duckworth visits Chindenga Clinic
- Nov 2 Dedication of Mashambanhaka Clinic & Dindi Clinic
- Nov 4 Dedication at Hanwa; Meeting with Agricultural Board
- Nov 4 7; R. Duckworth at Africa University & Fairfield Children's Home
- Nov 6 Zoom meeting with R. Duckworth scheduled while he is in Zim.
- Nov 10 R. Duckworth departs Harare for return to USA
- Nov 14 Event recognizing TNC's 15th anniversary
- Nov 15 Don Ziegler presents Eyeglass Program to Mt Lebanon Rotary
- Nov 15 Initial meeting with micro-loan organization New Vines
- Nov 18 TNC Leadership Team Initial Planning Meeting
- Nov 29 TNC Meeting
- Nov 30 ZOOM call with K. Griffith of Global Health
- Jan 2022? TNC Strategy presentation to BP/USC Rotary
- Jan 1, 2022 Transition to new TNC Leadership Team effective
- Jan 31 TNC Meeting
- Summer 2022 STEM Coding Workshop at Nyadire by S.Y.STEM Coalition.