WAYS TO GIVE

Throughout the history of our Ukama/Partnership we have worked diligently with our Ukama/partners to try to find ways to share our gifts with them without setting up unhealthy dynamics between us. Neither partner wants our relationship to become more “project” than partnership! Together we have worked to find ways to share more equitably and have made provisions for larger funds which may benefit the church as a whole and have established the following guidelines. There are now several major areas in which funding from New Hampshire is welcome in Zimbabwe. We encourage individuals and churches to support the members and churches in the UCCZ by contributing to one or more of the following funds. The decision about distribution of funds is made by the Zimbabwe Ukama Committee. In this way, funds are shared with those in greatest need. Ukama Partnership Churches may also choose to designate up to 80% of a gift to your partner church in the UCCZ.

- **Church to Church Gift** – A Local Church can send a gift to their partner church. 80% may go to a partner church to support a project of that church’s choosing. The Ukama Committee in Zimbabwe will distribute the other 20% using 10% for monitoring and evaluation and 10% to benefit other churches.

- **The Local Church Construction Grant Fund** (LCCGF) which funds building projects for local churches in Zimbabwe.

- **The Fund to Support Orphans and Vulnerable Children Living with AIDS** funds education/prevention efforts and to care for those already afflicted. This money is often used for school fees.

- **The Education Fund** supports student/school expenses including those for higher education (post-high school trade schools and college and university).

- **The Benjamin C. L. Crosby Scholarship Fund** benefits students from the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe who are studying at United Theological College in Harare.

- **Hunger Relief and Potable Water** ongoing needs in Zimbabwe. Gifts to this fund are used to drill bore holes and to provide maize meal throughout the country, wherever need is the greatest. Seeds and tools may also be purchased.

To make a contribution, send a check to the Finance Office, NH Conference, UCC, 140 Sheep Davis Road, Pembroke, NH 03275. In the memo, write “Zimbabwe” and then name the fund you wish to support. Include your partner church name if you wish the gift to be shared 80/10/10.

For more information about any of these opportunities, please contact the Rev. Richard Slater, Local Church – Global Ministries Partnership Coordinator. You may reach rslater@nhcucc.org, or by calling 603.715.9525.

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