

NAQUE NEWSLETTER

August 2025

After spending three and a half months in the United States due to the climate of insecurity in the country caused by political protests, we returned on April 1st to continue our ministry work. During our time in America, we took the opportunity to witness the birth of our first granddaughter, Penelope, whom we affectionately call Nelly. It was a time of refuge and celebration.

This is our eighth year of ministry in Mozambique, Africa. We praise God for the team that has gradually formed. In May, we held our gathering to celebrate what God has done through our ministry.



During the first half of this year, our teaching team delivered the TBI (Local Church-Based Training) program to 88 people at Bible schools and churches in southern Mozambique. Unfortunately, we had to cancel all trips to the center and north of the country due to some conflict zones in those regions. Now that the conflicts have ended, we don't have sufficient resources for longer-distance trips. As a result, 135 pastors and leaders will be without training for the entire year of 2025.



Bible Distribution – Our Bible distribution program (BPT—Bible for Everyone Version) has already distributed 480 Bibles. This Bible is written in the current language of Mozambique. It features large print, making it easy to read for hundreds of leaders, as well as for some churches with very limited access to Christian literature.



Church Planting – In March of this year, we began planting the Mozambique Community Church together with Pastor Johane, in a highly populated neighborhood with a large presence of African sects. There is a significant lack of biblically sound churches in the neighborhood.





We have a brief story to share with you about a 14-year-old boy named Pilate. Pilate lives next door to the church we are planting. He belongs to a family that belongs to an African sect that does not teach the Word of God. Pilate agreed to study salvation with us, and during the six-week Bible study, he demonstrated great interest and admiration for the truths of God's Word. Pilate finally acknowledged that he was a sinner and confessed Christ as his only Savior. After making his decision, he expressed interest in joining our church because he wanted to continue learning more about the Bible, but his family's church did not study the Word of God. Pilate asked his parents for permission to change churches, but they refused. Please pray for Pilate. He continues to meet with Pastor Johane to study the Word of God without his parents' knowledge. We believe God has a plan for this young man's life.

Living Stones Program – After a process of research and selection of children to be part of the social project, we will be launching Living Stone in Mozambique in September. Due to the widespread poverty and various challenges such as education, nutrition, and vulnerable situations, we understand as a church in the community that we must contribute to the best possible growth of these children. But the greater purpose behind this initiative is to open doors to reach these children's families for Jesus.

Financial Challenges – Due to high inflation and the growth of work, we have limited resources in our monthly budget. Our current financial challenges are as follows:

1. We need \$400 per month to cover the entire ministry budget (or a \$4,800 one-time offering to cover a year's expenses).
2. We need \$500 per month to support Pastor Johane's family. Pastor Johane received an offering that is sufficient until October of this year. We need to raise his actual support from that date onward.
3. We need many \$40 monthly sponsors for children at Living Stones Mozambique

Reasons for Praise

1. God's daily care for our lives
2. For the team God has raised up in Mozambique
3. Planting the Community Church of Mozambique
4. For our partners in ministry

Prayer Requests

1. For the planting of the Community Church of Mozambique
2. For the planting of the Living Stone program
3. For the entire ministry team, currently comprised of 9 people
4. For financial resources to continue our work as needed.

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