



ZIMBABWE EPISCOPAL AREA

MUREHWA UMP DISTRICT

DINDI CLINIC DEDICATED

2ND NOVEMBER 2021

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2021**

Zimbabwe Volunteer in Mission (ZIMVIM), The General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), The Nyadire Connection (TNC), and the local authorities put their resources together and constructed a state-of-the-art clinic and drilled a borehole which were dedicated by Bishop Eben Kanukayi Nihwatiwa on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2021.



*Celebrations after cutting of the ribbon*

Zimbabwe Volunteer in Mission (ZIMVIM), constructed the initial Dindi Clinic back in 2005.

Over the years, they have also been involved in getting the boreholes, solar power and ZESA to Dindi.

They were also instrumental in initiating discussions with The Nyadire Connection to apply to General Board of Global Ministries for their grant for the recent renovation and expansion of the Dindi Clinic.



*Charlie Moore, Ralph Duckworth, Bishop E.K. Nhwatiwa and Chief Harrison Mufambira soon after dedication of the buildings*

The partners of ZIMVIM under the leadership of Charlie Moore applauded the church and the community for the job well done.

In the same vein Ralph Duckworth the Chairperson for TNC was equally impressed with the development so far achieved.

GBGM drilled a borehole which is solar powered while UNDP is constructing pharmacy which is almost complete.

Uzumba Pfungwe Member of Parliament Hon Tichawona Karumazondo could not hide his joy as the face-lifting clinic was dedicated in his constituency.



*Water gushing out from the dedicated borehole*

He showed the Bishop with praises for the church's development his constituency.

He said that the development by the church of the UMC did not start with the clinic, but with the school.



*Joyful moment with Rebecca Tendai Gurupira, Esther Andrews, Carol and Charlie Moore*

He, however, appealed to the authorities for upgrading the status of Dindi Clinic to Rural Hospital. His vision is to have a resident doctor close by so that patients will not travel to Mutawatawa Hospital.

He also appealed for the church to apply for a boarding school at Dindi.

Bishop E.K Nhiwatiwa acknowledged the presence of the local leaders and appreciated their commitment and support towards the local development of the church.

He said their requests, the church would always take them seriously.

Charlie Moore appreciated the partnership and promised to do more for the development of the area.



*Group photo*

The event was attended by people from far and wide. They all appreciated the great work the church is doing.

The common sentiments were about the upgrading of the clinic to a hospital so that patients can easily be attended to close by.

**ARRIVAL OF BISHOP E.K. NHIWATWA**



*The Bishop picking a dance as he was welcomed by members singing and ululating.*

*What a joyful moment after a long period of COVID 19 induced lockdown*

**LITURGIST: DS REV LUCKSON HENRY CHAREKA**



*DS Rev Luckson Henry Chareka*

***HYMN 46: MWARI MUBATSIRI WEDU***

**PASTORAL PRAYER BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
TO THE BISHOP THE REV ALAN MASIMBA GURUPIRA**



*The Rev Alan Masimba Gurupira*

The DS thanked God for being allowed to reach this day. It was long way with ups and downs.

He recognised the presence of the traditional leaders and said that their presence gave the church the confidence that they were part of the family.

He welcomed the Lay leader Mrs Netsai Chitiyo - Maramba Circuit.

**WELCOMING REMARKS BY MRS NETSAI CHITIYO**



She welcomed Mr Henry Zanze - Pfungwe Circuit Lay leader.

### **WELCOMING REMARKS BY MR HENRY ZANZE**



Mr Zanze welcomed the following:

1. The church.
2. The community who worked tirelessly. They contributed the local available materials.
3. The traditional leaders.
4. Politicians – Party Chairpersons.
5. Councillor who mobilised the community.
6. The teachers.
7. Village head Chibundu, the head of village head.

### **WELCOMING OF THE CHIEF**

In their traditional ways, Village Head Chibundu welcomed the chief.

Mrs Chitiyo welcomed the following:

1. The Chief Executive Office
2. The Health department
3. District CM Director The Rev Ron Kuziva Nyakuengama

### **WELCOMING REMARKS BY THE REV RON KUZIVA NYAKUENGAMA**



The Rev welcomed all pastors and their spouses.

He also welcomed the DS Rev Chareka.

The DS Rev Chareka welcomed the following:



*DS Rev H.L Chareka*

1. Council Chair
2. The MP Honourable Makuwi Tichawona Karumazondo – Maramba Pfungwe Constituency

**3. Partners:**

1. Charlie Moore and wife Carol

2. Esther Andrews.
3. Ralph Duckworth.
4. Jim Gourley
5. Susan McCain

**Church members**

1. Health Coordinator Mrs. Hannah Mafunda
2. BOT The Rev Austin Chepiri
3. Eng. Garikai
4. The Communication team led by The Rev Taurai Emmanuel Maforo.  
Mrs Evelyn Chikwanhah
5. The Administrative Assistant to the Bishop, The Rev Alan Masimba Gurupira and Amai.
6. Zimbabwe West Annual Conference Connectional Ministries Director, The Rev Vienna Mutezo.
7. Connectional Ministries Chairperson, The Rev Gertrude Chifamba.
8. The Bishop E.K. Nhiwatiwa and Amai.

He thanked the Bishop for bringing the concept of Chabadza program which saw the construction of state-of-the-art clinic.

There is no one who can assist if you have not put something.

## REMARKS FROM THE CHIEF HARRISON MUFAMBIRA



*Chief Harrison Mufambira*

Chief Mufambira thanked all who participated in the construction of the clinic with special recognition to the partners.

His wish was to make the clinic a rural hospital since they are far from other hospitals.

He, however, appreciated the clinic and his wish is for Dindi to develop to the level of Nyadire.



*Invited guests*

Sometimes the delay in getting prompt medication have detrimental effects on the patients.

As the community, we are committed to helping with whatever we can so that the development can be speeded up.

Let us continue to maintain this relationship, and help each other in developing the area.

He thanked all people who have come to witness the dedication. May God bless you all.



**REMARKS FROM THE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT HON-  
OURABLE MAKUWI TICHAWONA KARUMAZONDO**



*Hon Makuwi Tichawona Karumazondo*

Hon Karumazondo thanked God for this special day.

He said that the Bishop did not get lost, but God had directed him to appreciate the area surrounding Dindi.

Bishop when coming from Harare missed a turn from Chitsungo and proceeded to Deve.

On behalf of his constituency, the Honorable Karumazondo thanked the Bishop and all the people whom he works with.

He said that this is not the first time for the church to work in his constituency.



*The guests*

The church started by constructing the school and now the clinic. He thanked all for the materials given. As the community, they would assist with locally available materials.

He said that the clinic is very important in preserving life in Maramba Pfungwe constituency.

He applauded the sound relationship between him and the DS. They communicate very well.

Like what the chief alluded to earlier on, the clinic has not gained rural hospital status, yet the hospitals are very far.



*The guests*

The patients are referred to Mutawatawa and Karanda Hospitals which are far away.

He said that he had discussed with the church leaders and district health leaders about the possibility of elevating Dindi to Rural Hospital. This has been shared with the District Medical Officer.

The health department needs to submit further to the authorities at Provincial level.



*The guests*

The wish is to have a rural hospital so that the Resident Doctor will be available and X-rays and all the testing would be taken and analyzed in the laboratory at Dindi.

He thanked the Bishop for all the efforts and the availability of clean water from the drilled boreholes.

He said that the catchment area is big and with the boreholes available, the demand can be overwhelmed because the mission has a primary and secondary all these need water.

The Honourable MP has approached ZINWA to construct a dam. He hoped that with the help from the church nothing will be impossible.

The Vision 2023 as shared by President ED Mnagwangwa, the importance is being given to health sector, not because of the COVID 19 pandemic, but everyone needs good health facilities.



### *The guests*

He went further to say that the area does not have many boarding schools. From Nhakiwa to Deve there is no boarding school.

The education department is in discussion to have a boarding school at Dindi.

All the traditional leaders are aware of that proposal. The church has agreed to have a boarding school.

He thanked the Bishop for the unity amongst the church and the community. They complement any development taking place in the area.



### *The guests*

He thanked the partners and said he was happy with their support.

May God continue to bless you.

## APPRECIATION AS A CLINIC BY SR BENHILDA MAREMBO



Sr. Benhilda Marembo said that they were overjoyed as a clinic to welcome all the visitors.

In their appreciation, they gave the visitors the little they had.

The Health Centre Committee presented their presents to the dignitaries.

**SONG: ZVAMAUYA ZVANAKA**

She thanked the Bishop and the UMC and described the church as a well organised institution.

The clinic brought a goat and two sheep. Chief was given a sheep as well as the bishop and a goat was given to the DS.



***Gifts for the Bishop, MP and Chief***

The following received different envelopes:

1. Partners
2. Chief Chitsungo
3. Bishop
4. District Medical Officer.
5. MP

6. Assistant to the Bishop.
7. CM Director
8. DS Chareka.
9. Health – Jamari
10. Health – from Nyadire Mission Hospital.
11. Eng. Garikai
12. Mrs Mafunda

#### REMARKS FROM CHARLIE MOORE.



Mr. Moore thanked the Bishop and Rev Gurupira for their different levels of contributions.

He said, “I bring you greetings in the name of Jesus Christ from your friends from the USA,” said Charlie.

He thanked Bishop Nhiwatiwa for allowing the event to take place today in Zimbabwe.

He said that the vision of this project started 18 years ago and they are prepared to go further assisting the community.

#### REMARKS FROM BISHOP EBEN KANUKAYI NHIWATIWA



The Bishop applauded the speech from Hon Karumazondo whom he said his message blended well with the vision of the church.

The government's Vision 2030, is about moving from one level to the other.

Do not think that it applies to those in Harare, but it should start from your house.



*Invited guests*

If you used to apply cow dung as floor polish, they were encouraged to put tiles.

If they are still using to sleep on the floor as their forefathers, it was high time for them to buy a bed or to make the bed on their own.

He started by appreciating the great work which has been done which the church was thanked for.

The Bishop thanked Charlie for the great work they are doing. He was very grateful.

He said that many people could not be here to witness this event that is happening during these difficult and challenging times.



*Invited guests*

“Your visit has been a visit of hope. You have given us inspiration and hope because it demonstrated that irrespective of the challenges of health, the church can still pursue its mission and God will always be there to stand with us,” said the Bishop to Charlie Moore.



*The guests*

“We have nothing to fear. God is with us and will keep us moving forward. We are doing the work God likes very much,” he said.

Now that you have heard how your work has been appreciated by Honourable Karumazondo who gave an outline of a wonderful vision, as a church we also appreciate your efforts.

“Definitely, if you imagine this place turning into a hospital, is there anything wrong with it,” questioned Bishop.

There is nothing wrong. Dindi started long ago with missionaries. They were established at Nyadire and Murehwa mission.



*The guests*

What they did was to explore the area and they found people in Dindi.

When he heard that Charlie Moore and the team were putting up at Dindi, knowing well where they are coming from, it was just a spirit of pioneering.

In fact, their forefathers, uncles, used to sleep under the trees. In Marange, missionaries spent months sleeping in a cave.



Invited guests

They would come out of the cave and go out to preach and come back.

They composed hymn 303: *Muzunde renyu Baba*. They wrote it while staying in a cave.

If they were to come and see, they would be happy because they never thought about this when they came to Zimbabwe.

Now they would be surprised more. Even for those who were born before us there is the cloud of witnessing a good thing. The hospital would be there.

He said that very soon he will be retiring, that is passing the baton stick to the next Bishop.



*The Rev Austin Chepiri, Mr Ralph Duckworth and Charlie Moore*

During the handover takeover, he promised to inform the next Bishop that there is a big project despite that Bishop having his own vision and projects.



He would inform him about the project at Dindi and encourage him or her to meet MP Karumazondo.

The church assured the MP that it will support the government 2030 vision because of its developmental orientation.



*The guests*

“We will do our best to transform this place,” he said.

He went further to recap the history of the church and political leadership which he described as very good.

He felt very sad when we lost one of the political figures due to COVID 19. His hope is that God is raising another person for us.

He said that Dindi has a lot of UMC members and if there are people who are troubling the traditional leaders he would suspect them to be members of UMC, because he believed that out of 10 people one would be a UMC member.



*The guests*

However, so far so good and this can be evidenced by the degree of development in the area.

“Where there is division there is no development,” said Bishop Nhiwatiwa.

Developments can only happen when people are staying in harmony. In addition, mobilizing resources is easy.

There is this concept Chabadza, you cannot call people to help you when you are just seated or managing the sun.

There are people who enjoy basking in the sun. If we have projects let us implement them. One should have your garden, poultry projects and enjoy your life.

He said that we are in a period when there is COVID 19. Let us follow the WHO preventative measures. We should not relax.



*The guests*

Now we are about to enter Christmas festivals, we should take the necessary precautionary measures.

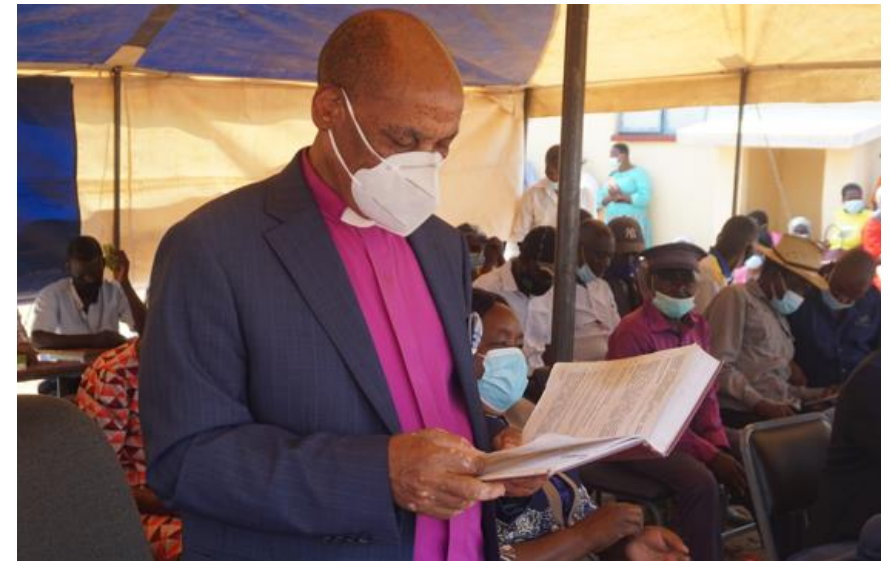
We lost a lot of our relatives and let us continue to be alert and sanitize and maintain social distance.

He encouraged the clinic to give sanitizers to the community and to the Village heads who meet a number of people in their day to day business.

The core business of the day is to dedicate the building. He said that he was happy that he has not received a report of misappropriation of money, where people cannot explain how the money was used.

Because of good accountability, this is why there is a great development.

#### **DEDICATION OF THE BUILDINGS AND BOREHOLE**



**DLL MRS NETSAI CHITIYO:** Dear friends, this building was completed and all what needed to be paid was done and there is no debt. The Whole work has cost +\$137 000.00 exclusive of the community contributions.



*Mrs Netsai Chitiyo*

**RESPONSE FROM THOSE PRESENT:** we dedicate these houses.

**DECLARATION OF PURPOSE FOR THE BOREHOLE**

**BISHOP:** Dear friends this borehole which by the favour of God and human labour has been so far completed.

The borehole is there to provide water for the sustenance of life.



*The guests*

We give thanks to God and to all those who by their gift and services have made it possible for us to have this borehole.

**DEDICATION OF THE BOREHOLE**

**BISHOP:** Dear friends it is with joy that we gather to dedicate this borehole, but the dedication is in vain without the dedication of those whose gift it represents.

**TOGETHER:** we dedicate this borehole.

**BISHOP:** Thank you creator of the Universe for giving the things of the earth that give us the means of life.

**TOGETHER:** We dedicate this borehole.



*The guests*

**BISHOP:** Thank you for being reminded that we have to take care of this environment and reduce the impact of Climate Change from making our land dry.

He said that Climate Change is something we are not yet used to.

Within 24 hours our two institutions have been affected by heavy rains and the roofs have been removed.

In Zimbabwe East Annual Conference, there is Munyarari Clinic which is also undergoing development.

The Mashambanhaka School has been affected as well.



*The guests*

The experts are saying that it is because of the change in the climate.

We used to have cyclones. Currently, we pass some of the areas where there was a river, but there is nothing anymore.

They are saying it is due to climate change. He said that leaders from different countries are gathered at Glasgow Scotland to discuss climate change.

## What should we do?

The environmentalist is saying that there are emissions that are affecting the ozone layer, raising the temperature than before.



*The guests*

If we do not take precautionary measures, there are possibilities that the temperatures can increase making the earth uninhabitable for humans.

## What should we do?

Do not cut trees indiscriminately. Trees help in the formation of the clouds and subsequently the rains.

Let us replenish our vegetation by planting trees. This will help the next generations.



*The guests*

**BISHOP:** We are being reminded to preserve our environment.

**TOGETHER:** We dedicate this borehole.

**BISHOP:** Thank God for the natural well to nourish our lives.

**TOGETHER:** We dedicate this borehole.

**BISHOP: PASTORAL PRAYER.**

The Bishop thanked God that the clinic buildings and the borehole have been dedicated in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

**PASTOR INNOCENT KADZINGA – STATION CHAIR DINDI CLINIC**



Expressed joy to welcome everyone. He thanked God for his great achievements.

He thanked the Bishop, Administrative assistant to the Bishop, DS and pastors and their spouses.

He thanked all the traditional leaders. He said that as the pastor in charge of Dindi, he expressed joy for the great work which has been achieved.

He said that he has already blended well with the community and they have accepted him as their son.

The relationship is so strong that it is similar to where he was born.

He thanked the Bishop for the appointment to Dindi.

**ENTERTAINMENT FROM CHRISTIAN CARE**



*Christian Care*



*Christian Care*



*Dedication*

**DEDICATION OF THE BUILDINGS**



*Dedication*



*Cutting of the ribbon*



*Dedication*



*Removal of the material from the plaque*



*Touring the buildings*



*Reading of what has been inscribed in the plaque by Sr Benhilda Marengo*





*Prayer and benediction by the Rev Vienna Mutezo*

**TOURING OF THE BUILDING AND INQUIRIES BY THE BISHOP TO STAFF MEMBERS**



*Touring of the buildings led by Sr Marembo*

The Bishop asked the workers their wishes because he said that he does not want to lose them.



*Receiving benediction*



*Sister Marembo explaining to the Bishop*

Sr. Marembo highlighted the following as their challenges.

1. They now have electricity and water, but the water is not sufficient especially during this hot season. They need more water sources.

They service a catchment area of more than 7 000 people but because Dindi is a gold mining area there are more people coming.

Therefore the services increase. The staff establishment is very low.

2. Currently the clinic has three qualified nurses. Every day they have 4 to 5 birth per day, yet they are just three.

If one goes off, it means there are only two left.

3. Remuneration is low. Some are coming from Masvingo and for them to reach Masvingo it will be very expensive.

## TOURING THE BUILDING



*In the consultation room – The Bishop and the MP*



*Explaining the records*



*People present during the tour*



*Labour ward and postnatal.*



*Drug room to be a dispensary room soon.*



*Waiting mothers shelter.*



*Solar system*

**ARRIVAL OF MINISTRY OF HEALTH FROM MUTAWATAWA HOSPITAL**



*Team from Mutawatawa hospital*



*Touring the building*

**REMARKS FROM MINISTRY OF HEALTH MR AUGUSTINE ZULU – ADMINISTRATOR MUTAWATAWA**



Mr Zulu appreciated the great work done which shows that everything was well organised.

He thanked the many people who attended the event.

He expressed joy with the progress so far achieved. They are developing a lot in their infrastructures.

At one time they would say Dindi, Deve Nyanzou, and other areas would go to Mutawatawa, but now that Dindi has been developed they will cover the other areas.

He introduced his colleague Sr P Mumharu.



*Sr. P. Mumharu*

### **DEDICATION OF THE BOREHOLE**



*Cutting of the ribbon*



*Cutting of the ribbon.*



*Eng. Garikai explaining to the Bishop how the system works.*



*Gushing of water from the borehole*

## **VOTE OF THANKS BY HON KARUMAZONDO**



*Hon MP Karumazondo*

The MP thanked God for a successful program. He gave a special appreciation to the Bishop for presiding over the event.

All the local, traditional and church leaders were appreciated.

People meet to part and part to meet.

## GROUP PHOTOS



## THE NEW CLINIC







**COMPILED BY MS. KUDZAI CHINGWE ZEAC  
COMMUNICATOR –DINDI CLINIC – MUREHWA  
UMP DISTRICT**



*Ms. Kudzai Chingwe*

**THE END**

