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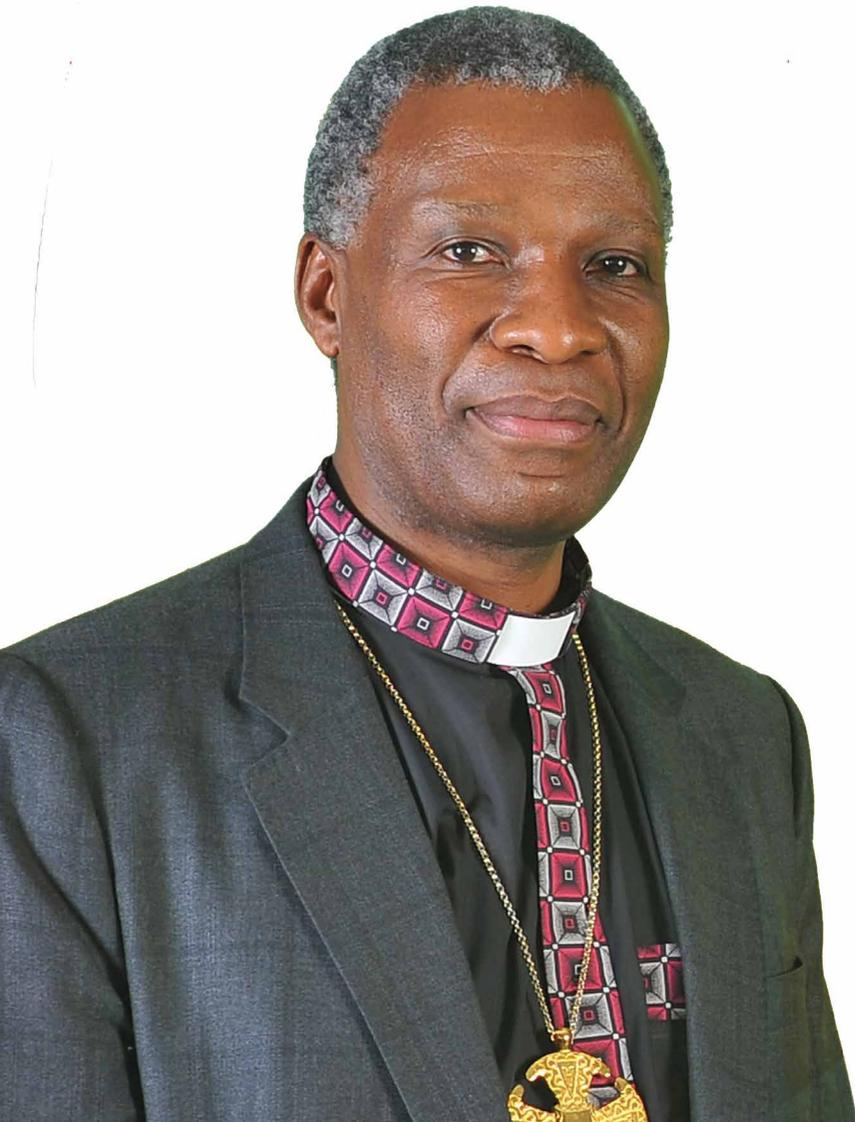


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Message from the Archbishop



Dear Friends,

“You will be my people, and I will be your God”

Once again, it is my great pleasure and joy to write my message for the HOPE Africa annual report and to thank them for the wonderful work. We reflect on this work over the last year with gratitude to God for blessing our Church with this organisation for 18 years.

The year under review has not been an easy one financially as sources of funding continued to dwindle, so I congratulate the HOPE Africa team for coming up with innovative and creative methods to respond to the challenges. The strategic planning process helped to position HOPE Africa in a changing social development space.

Despite the financial constraints, HOPE Africa continued to provide support and relief in areas of poverty eradication through community based programmes on capacity building, training, healthcare, empowerment for youth and improving the status of women. This is evident in their continued work and intervention in various dioceses through Church and Community Mobilisation Process (CCMP), Work Integrated Learning, Gender programme and the TB Management Programme.

The organisation successfully implemented the DREAMS (Determined, Resilient, Empowered,

AIDS-free, Mentored and Safe) programme in the Diocese of Zululand. HOPE Africa made significant impact in addressing youth unemployment by providing placement to students and graduates through the Work Integrated Learning programme. In this report, you will also read of HOPE Africa’s TB Management programme which ensured early diagnoses and successful treatment of tuberculosis (TB) in the Dioceses of Free State and Saldanha Bay. We are indeed grateful to FHI360, National Skills Fund and Global Fund who made possible for HOPE Africa to implement these three important programmes.

Lastly, I want to commend and applaud the HOPE Africa staff, especially Canon Delene Mark, CEO, along with donors, partners and supporters and friends for the collective work done in 2018. I also want to thank the Board for providing strategic leadership, accountability, governance and oversight to HOPE Africa on behalf of ACSA.

We truly thank God for all that has been done in the last year, and we pray that he will continue to touch the lives of the marginalised and needy communities through HOPE Africa. I hear the Ezekiel God say, “A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you... and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

Yours in the Service of Christ,

Gender Programme

HOPE Africa Gender programme focuses on building the capacity of faith leaders and church organisation to address gender inequality as well as Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV). The organisation facilitated the following gender dialogues:

Dioceses	Number of people reached
Diocese of Saldanha Bay Maitland Archdeaconry Youth	55
Diocese of Christ the King	43

Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa

HOPE Africa participated in the Anti-Human Trafficking & Safe Migration Anglican Community of Practice Workshop at St. Benedict's House in Diocese of Christ the King in November 2019. This important workshop was hosted and facilitated by the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa.

Diocese of Swaziland

The Diocese of Swaziland launched the 16 days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence at All Saints Cathedral. Bishop Ellinah Wamukoya shared some reflections where she challenged all churches to have a strategy on dealing with Sexual Violence. She argued that "as a church, we should not be mere observers. Pray yes but it should not be all we do!" The launch marked the beginning of other campaigns by the different guilds and parishes in the Diocese.



Adolescent Girl and Young Women (AGYW) Programme

HOPE Africa began implementing the Adolescent Girls and Young Women's programme in the Klipfontein Health Sub-District in June this year, in partnership with service providers in the region. The three-year programme is funded by the Global Fund through the Networking AIDS Community of Southern Africa (NACOSA) and is aimed at young women between the ages of 15-24 years. The purpose of the programme is HIV-prevention and the provision of key services to young women to assist them in choosing healthier lifestyles and increasing their access to additional layered services such as psycho-social, educational and economic support.

The services can be accessed at the four safe spaces which HOPE Africa coordinates and these can be found at the YMCA in Kewtown, Athlone *[we are in the process of moving to a new venue]*; Green Pastures Church in Manenberg; Heatherdale Home in Crawford; and Siseko Community Centre in Gugulethu. Amandla Development, one of our partners, has an additional safe space being run in Phillipi, Partners in Sexual Health offers access to the programme to learners in schools, and Higher Health provides services in TVET colleges within the area.

We have also recently started offering free intensive self-defence classes via the No Means No Worldwide campaign and these ran for four consecutive days for three hours each day for the first few months. In 2020 these sessions will be offered as a five day course, with participants engaging for two hours each day. Please

contact us to sign-up for these sessions!

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By December we had reached ___ young women and ___ young men through this programme and we intend to extend our services to many more interested young people within the Klipfontein region. While there is often pressure to 'reach the numbers' in such programmes, our staff have been determined to ensure young women have easy access to much needed services within this region. They have been identifying key stakeholders with whom to engage in order to build sustainable service delivery and strengthen relationships with similar minded organisations and partners. If you think that you would like to engage with us in building a tailored service directory to offer services to young people in this region, please contact us!

One of the highlights of December was a validation workshop facilitated by Global Fund, where ___ AGYW met to share their expectations, impressions and understanding of the programme thus far. This was helpful as it provided insights into where the programme could be improved and where it had already met some of the expressed needs of the young women.

Our team can be contacted at the following numbers: [WhatsApp or calls – 0655707709 AGYW team OR HOPE Africa offices 0217631300] *[Please note that during Lockdown and due to COVID-19 regulations, responses may be delayed]*



Our teams working in the field at various events



Woza Asibonisane Community Response Programme

HOPE Africa in partnership with the Centre for Communication Impact (CCI) implement the Woza Asibonisane Community Responses (CR) programme in the Western Cape province in support of the provincial and district efforts to reduce Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV) incidence. The organisation focuses on select wards in informal settlements and applied the Dialogue-Reflection Action (DRA) model which seeks to bring about social change linked to HIV and SGBV prevention.



Woza Asibonisane CR Programme HIV Prevention with Priority populations (PP_Prev) sessions are informational sessions on HIV and SGBV challenges and services. This intervention targets priority populations (people living in informal settlement, especially young people between the age of 15-24, most at risk of HIV infection or transmission), promotes interactive participation, exposes priority population to evidence based content for the minimum of 2 hours, provides age appropriate (15-19, 20-24, and 25-50+) information and reflection on effects of risky individual behaviours on the spread and prevention of HIV and unintended pregnancies, and facilitates active linkages to health services on site and the community.

The table below illustrated the results from 18th July to 30th September 2019.

Sub District	Klipfontein	Southern
Targets Reached	3122	2845
Sub District	Mitchells Plain	Western
Targets Reached	3193	2661

In the latter part of 2019, CCI awarded HOPE Africa with a grant to implement the Community Responses package which includes HIV prevention (PP-PREV) and gender norms interventions (Stepping Stones & One Man Can).



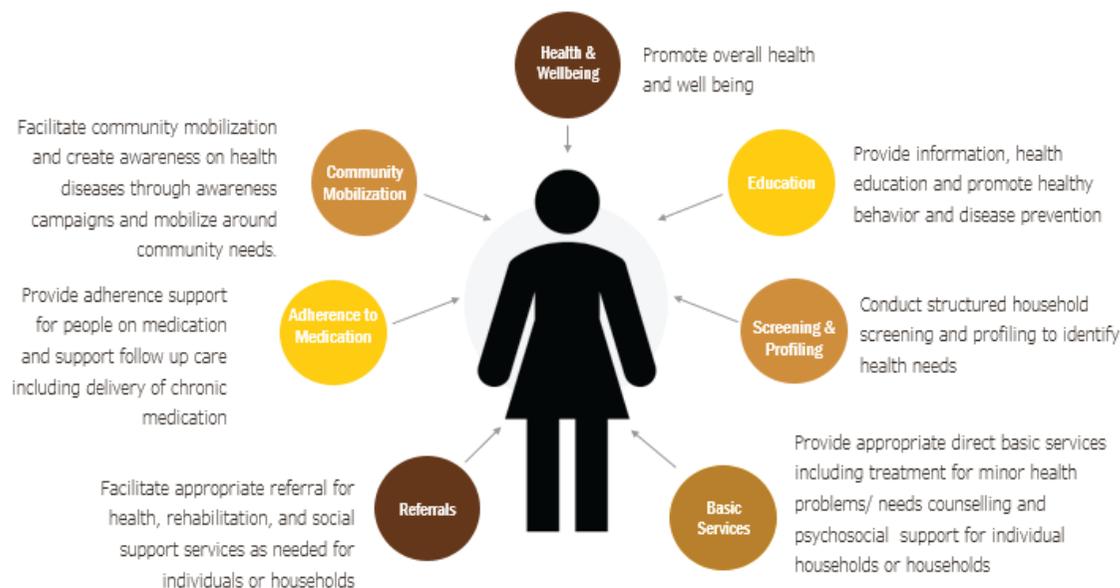
Project Nomzamo, Nkangala district

- Diocese of Mpumalanga

HOPE Africa in partnership with the Batho Pele Healthcare, Youth Employment Service Initiative (YES) and Johnson & Johnson contracted twenty-six (26) community health workers in Nkangala District in Mpumalanga, to support the Department of Health in providing quality Primary Healthcare services.

The CHWs are linked to the eight (8) clinics in the Nkangala district: Empumelelweni, Poly, Hlalanikahle, Siphosensimbi, Ackerville, Lynville, Makometsane and Rhenosterkop.

What does a CHW do?



The feedback from the CHWs showed that they successfully encouraged household members to take preventative health measures; household members are checking their HIV status, they are getting screened for STIs, checking their blood pressure and blood sugar levels even if they are not feeling ill.

Church and Community Mobilisation Process – Diocese of Swaziland

Church and Community Mobilisation Process (CCMP) is a process to give the local church a vision for their community. The process uses a series of bible studies and interactive activities to encourage and equip the church to go into the community to help people identify and address their needs, using locally available resources. CCMP or Umoja (a Swahili word meaning togetherness) builds on the strengths and hopes of a church group that wants to make a difference in their church and community.

Exposure visit to the Anglican Diocese of Kenya.

Rev Nomkhosi Zulu has been tasked to lead the CCMP process in the Diocese of Swaziland. As part of her exposure to CCMP, Rev Zulu accompanied Jenny Dick of HOPE Africa on a visit to the Anglican Church of Kenya to see and experience CCMP in that Province.

Nomkhosi and Jenny visited two parishes – one in a deep, deep rural village while the other church is a 15 000 seater church in the biggest informal settlement of the country. It was clear that through CCMP, the mindset of the people have been changed. They rely more and more on local resources to bring about positive changes to their homes, churches and communities.

CCMP Workshops

HOPE Africa facilitated the following CCMP workshops in the Western Archdeaconry of the Diocese of Swaziland in 2019:

Workshop	Number of people reached	Methodology
Envisioning	20 clergy and 2 lay persons	A series of Bible studies to illustrate Jesus' Ministry of Compassion, Healing and Repentance as well as Bible studies on Resource Mobilisation.
First CCMP Training – Western Archdeaconry	8 clergy and 25 lay persons	Purpose of CCMP, Cycle of Umoja, Bible studies, Facilitation skills, CCMP methodology & work-plans for parishes



CCMP is a process that brings hope, self-esteem and transformation to Churches and communities. Both workshops were well received and all participants agreed that CCMP is a useful tool which will enable the church and communities to grow.

Church and Community Mobilisation Process



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Diocese of Swaziland

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Diocese of Lesotho

The Lead Facilitators of the Diocese have been hard at work to introduce CCMP to the rest of the Diocese. They clustered Archdeaconries and split them into regions for easier management and access.

Each region had at least one lead facilitator and three other facilitators who were part of the initial CCMP trainings. These teams visited all their parishes on rotational basis to envision and train parishes and communities.

What made their work more remarkable was that all the lead facilitators had full time jobs, which meant that they had to do their planning and preparation work in the evenings and all workshops over weekends. Their total commitment to spread Umoja throughout the Diocese is to be sincerely commended.

Besides the CCMP training, the Lead Facilitators had one Refresher Training where the training material was adapted for local use and translated. They also dealt with all problems experienced during trainings and visits to parishes and assisted those facilitators who were struggling with concepts of Umoja.

Diocese of Zululand

Bible Studies continue in all groups, whether it is a church, members' homes or in small community groups like stokvels, beading groups, etc. The discussions are lively and people really get to know the bible stories and its meanings. When people are out in the gardens, they share life stories, encourage one another and always end up singing hymns and choruses as they go about their work. It helps people to overcome stress, anxiety, depression and many other lifestyle illnesses as they share long forgotten home-made remedies. The younger people in the group sometimes find it funny but also learn along the way.

The parish of St. Matthew's Dlebe was in need of a pump to bring water supply from the nearby river closer to the food garden. The group was determined to bring water supply closer to the gardens and opted for an irrigation system, which was much more cost effective. The irrigation system planning took a little longer than anticipated and it will be installed early in the new year.

In June the Lead Facilitators did an exposure visit to a geranium and moringa farms with the aim of expanding their product range and streams of income. The group was taken through the process of planting, caring for and harvesting of the end products.

The table below summarises the activities implemented in the three dioceses: Swaziland, Lesotho and Zululand:

Diocese	Activity	Number of people reached
Swaziland	Envisioning workshop	20 clergy and 2 lay persons
	First CCMP Training – Western Archdeaconry	8 clergy and 25 lay persons
Lesotho	Parish Trainings	1550 people
	Refresher & Review meeting	6 Lead Facilitators
Zululand	Re-envisioning and Bible studies throughout the year	289 people
	Refresher & Review meeting	3 Lead Facilitators planning for the rest of the year. The Vicar General was present and they were commended for their work.
	Agriculture Exposure Visit	15 Facilitators

Thank you for delivering more than 600 pairs of opportunity to learners across Southern Africa!

What started as a small request for 50 pairs of school shoes for six schools identified in Southern Africa has turned into a tremendous act of love, commitment and giving to more than 600 children living in impoverished communities.

When the Christmas appeal went out for 50 pairs of shoes for each of the six schools, we had no idea that the response would be so overwhelming! With your generous and kind assistance, we managed to raise enough funds and shoes to give 600 children an opportunity to walk through the schoolyear with dignity and hope.

At St. Paul's Primary School in the Diocese of False Bay, the new school year started on a very high note with delivery of the first assignment of shoes. The principal – Mrs Dianna Volminck welcomed all the guests and expressed the school's happiness at starting the year on a high note. Bishop Margaret Vertue of the Diocese of False Bay reminded the little ones that they are Very Important Persons no matter the condition of the clothes and shoes they are wearing. The bishop encouraged the children to pray for their families and work very hard to achieve success.

At Du Noon Primary School in the Diocese of Saldanha Bay, HOPE Africa partnered with Stanlib CSI, the Department of Social Development, Diocese of Saldanha Bay and Kasi Angels to hand over 267 pairs of shoes to children of Du Noon Primary in Du Noon. Venerable Kulana Makhalima applauded the efforts of HOPE Africa to bring the Church out to the community and closer to God's people. "The partnerships that have been established for the benefit of these young learners are to be commended", said Ven Makhalima. He further urged the scholars to take their education seriously and to look well after their shoes and uniforms.

On the day of the handover at Toisekraal Primary School and Akhanani OVC Care Centre in the Diocese of Khahlamba, many people's homes were damaged as a result of heavy wind and rain that lashed the region the previous night. Parents, teachers, community members and children however, could not contain their excitement as 200 children received new pairs of shoes on the day. The school and church community expressed sincere gratitude and thanks to all donors and HOPE Africa for not forgetting about their rural community.



Ven Kulana, Min Zulu, Gerald Nomlala, Can Delene and Principal Macikama ...

HOPE Africa expresses its sincere thanks to our many partners and donors for making these donations possible and we trust that we can count on your support again in the New Year to bring more hope and opportunities to children across Southern Africa.



Canon Delene with a learner





Relief for the people of devastated Mozambique

Mozambique, along with Malawi and Zimbabwe were hit by two cyclones in 2019. Cyclone Idai wreaked severe damage and destruction in March and while people were trying to recover, cyclone Kenneth arrived and obliterated all their efforts. At the time Cyclone Idai was being quoted as one of the worst ever weather-related disasters in the Southern Hemisphere. The reality for the people on the ground was that they lost everything – homes, possessions, crops, livestock, and tragically also family members. There was a critical need for temporary shelter, food, clean water, clothing, and medicines. With roads and bridges, communications, and power cut off, only boats and helicopters could reach the worst hit areas. Contamination of all resources brought real danger of widespread cholera.



Archbishop Thabo instituted the relief fund for the people of Mozambique. The Archbishop also visited the region and assessed the wide spread damage by helicopter together with the bishops of Dioceses. During one of these visits, they found a small community of villagers who was completely cut off from all relief efforts. They have lost everything and were living in makeshift shelters consisting of tree branches they had to cut from the bush. Archbishop Thabo and Bishop Carlos prayed with the community and left some relief aide in the form of capulanas, maize, and some foodstuff they were transporting at the time.

The Diocesan Bishops have personally overseen relief work in their communities while also suffering huge losses themselves. Diocesan volunteers who were trained in disaster preparedness spent many weeks and months raising awareness on disaster preparation and distributing relief that have come from all corners of the world.

HOPE Africa is very thankful for all the donors and partners who gave unselfishly to ease the plight of the people of Mozambique.



Lenten Appeal for Mozambique Dioceses Anglican Church of Southern Africa
 Psalm 51:10

This year's Lenten Appeal seeks to help people in Mozambique to rebuild their lives, homes, schools and churches post the 2019 Tropical Cyclones Idai & Kenneth.

What is still planned to be done?

- Relief Activities - distribution of seeds, water purification, food, hygiene packs, clothes and tools
- Conduct awareness workshops on public health and skills development
- Rebuilding of homes, churches & schools

Bank Details
 Bank: Standard Bank
 Branch: Thibault Square
 Branch Code: 020909
 Account Number: 07 007 8394
 Account Name: Disaster Relief Fund

Partnership with RESPOND Network

The RESPOND network - primarily in the Western Cape - was borne out of a need for faith communities to unite in an effort to be more effective – especially during disasters in the Province. The Western Cape is plagued by floods and fires during winter and also fires in the summer season. HOPE Africa attend regular meetings of the Network and disseminate important information to the all parishes. Information range from how to prepare your dwelling for winter season – if you live in an informal home – to what needs are should there be a disaster in any community.

HOPE Africa assists with receiving / collecting donations from parishes and individuals; delivering such donations to the point of need and also volunteering some of our time and effort to prepare disaster packs (sorting and packing clothing by age, gender and size).

Mama Ruth's legacy to continue

HOPE Africa has heard with much sadness of the passing of one of its true beacons of hope – Mama Ruth of the Diocese of St. Mark the Evangelist. Mama Ruth's Drop-in Centre provides an after-school programme to the community of Mashishimale village. The centre ensures that over 200 children who come to the centre daily receive a meal and are assisted with their school work. Children thrived

under Mama Ruth's love, care and guidance. With the help of care givers, homework became a joy to the children who would otherwise have to struggle and cope on their own. Meals are prepared on outside fires as there is no electricity at the Centre.

We thank God for Mama Ruth's love and dedication to the children of Mashishimale village and pray that her soul rest in peace and rise in glory. We pray for her family and the care givers as they continue with her ground-breaking work in the region.

In honour of Mama Ruth's memory and to continue tradition, HOPE Africa visited the Centre over the Christmas period to treat the children to a delicious lunch and treats. Part of the visit was also to sympathise with the family and fellow workers at the Centre. In total 200 children were catered for the day and much fun was had by all! The staff vowed to continue the legacy of Mama Ruth by continuing to provide a safe space for the children after school to do their homework, play and receive a nutritious meal before going home in the evening. HOPE Africa will continue to walk alongside the volunteers and seek to find more partnerships for the programme. Hamba Khahle Mama Ruth!!

Maropeng with Mama Ruth



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