



AUGUST 2026 ZIMBABWE PRAYER FOCUS

Whatever you do, give thanks

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

COLOSSIANS 3:17

Paul's words to the church at Colossae are a reminder that thanksgiving is not something we save for the good years. It belongs in everything we do (in word and in deed) and it belongs to God, whose provision lies behind every sack of mealie meal, every seed planted and every vegetable grown. As we look at the work in Zimbabwe this year, we find much for which to thank Him.

With grateful hearts, please join us in giving thanks:



For the ability to continue our relief feeding programme, delivering at least 10 tonnes of mealie meal every month to the most desperate areas. In places such as Lupane, high levels of kinship care (children raised by elderly grandparents) and deep poverty mean growing enough food is simply not possible, and this monthly delivery continues to be a lifeline.

For the continued flourishing of the Intuthuko Nutritional Garden. More than 20 families have now taken ownership of the project, a regular market has been established for the vegetables they grow, and a free-range chicken project is being developed thanks to the generosity of one of our longstanding partner churches.





For the 18 tonnes of seed maize recently donated by the Mike Campbell Foundation, which will be distributed in good time for planting later this year and which we pray will bring a harvest to feed recipient families into 2027.

The need, however, remains great:

We invite you to pray into these specific areas as you raise Zimbabwe's people up in your prayers:

- For the estimated 100,000 Zimbabweans who have returned home following (some violent) anti-foreigner protests in South Africa. They have left behind jobs and income to return to a country with one of the highest unemployment rates in the world, and to families who cannot support them. You can read more about this in the Guardian article titled ['They will attack me if I stay'](#).
- For protection from another severe drought in 2026/27, which is a real possibility given the predicted return of the El Niño weather phenomenon.
- For wisdom for the ZVSF team and trustees as we explore a new project with Bulawayo Projects Centre to upskill young people from the Lupane area, enabling them to earn money to support their wider families at home.
- For an end to the ongoing political turmoil and corruption which have a daily impact on the lives of ordinary Zimbabweans.

It remains a huge privilege to partner with you, our supporters; your prayers and your giving lift those who are suffering terribly in Zimbabwe, and for this we in turn are very thankful.

The ZVSF team and trustees