

# Paul Chimhungwe

Mission Co-Worker



## Description of My Work:

I am grateful to our brothers and sisters in the West—especially the United States and Canada—who are partnering with us in eradicating poverty, enhancing justice issues, fighting gender-based violence, improving the quality of life, and training men and women who want to teach and minister to their kith and kin in Africa. Kgolagano College in Gaborone, Botswana, where I teach, is deeply involved in the training of men and women who aim to teach the Cross of Christ from an ecumenical point of view. As a mission co-worker, I am humbled as I participate in training God's next generation of workers in his Kingdom in sub-Saharan Africa, which is now the epicenter of Christianity.

The college has about thirty students in the three delivery modes: full-time, block release and open distance learning. Most students are in their late twenties and mid-thirties, but a few are above forty. My teaching load in the past six months includes the following: Homiletics, Johannine Literature, New Testament Studies, Pauline Epistles, Spiritual Formation for Ministry, Survey of Church History, and the Synoptic Gospels. The Government of Botswana legislated that all churches be registered under the Societies Acts, 2022 No. 6 of 2022. The Act requires that all churches be led by an individual with a minimum of a theology/biblical studies certificate from an accredited seminary. Hence, we expect an increase in our enrollment.

## Reflections on my Faith Journey:

Miriam and I responded to the call of the Lord in 2021 to serve at Kgolagano College, an ecumenical seminary in Gaborone, Botswana. Our arrival in Gaborone was delayed until February 2022 due to the challenges posed by COVID-19. Upon arrival, Miriam was assigned to the library, which had been without qualified personnel for four years. In the initial month, she diligently cleaned the disordered library space. Starting in March, Miriam organized and indexed the extensive collection of books, displaying her commitment to restoring order. Tragically, in September 2022, her work was interrupted by declining health. Shockingly, Miriam had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer upon her arrival in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, in November 2022. The painful reality of her illness became evident, and on March 9, 2023, she was peacefully promoted into glory, surrounded by our two children and me. Her departure has left me grappling with why the Lord chose to take my beloved wife of 27 years.

The journey toward healing has been gradual, and I find solace in embracing St Paul's wisdom on cherishing one's life partner. Miriam's passing has underscored the importance of love and partnership. Despite the grief, I have witnessed the strength of my faith, bolstered by the unparalleled support I received from Christians worldwide, especially from the Global Ministries. In this challenging time, the collective prayers and encouragement have been a testament to the presence of a compassionate God who empowers those who patiently await his triumphant intervention.

## Personal Information:

Paul was born May 5, 1964, Zimbabwe  
Paul is a member Fairview Church of Christ, Manzini, Eswantini

## Bio:

2015-Present Ministry of Education Zimbabwe, Science and Mathematics Teacher  
1995-1999 Ministry of Education, Science Teacher

## Schedule A Visit:

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