

ZIMBABWE OUTREACH

Serving The people of Zimbabwe



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Volunteer Trip Report – Lower and Upper Hankano Outreach

Our small but determined volunteer team accomplished an incredible amount of work during our recent visit to the Lower and Upper Hankano communities. Though few in number, we were united in purpose and worked together with great joy and compassion.

Over the course of our outreach, we visited 79 families and their homesteads, distributing basic medical boxes and one Ndebele-language Bible to each household. We also conducted simple eye tests for the elderly and handed out reading glasses, helping many see clearly again—some for the first time in years.

At every home, we were warmly invited to sit, talk, and listen. We shared stories, prayed with families who were willing, and were deeply moved by their openness and faith. In true local hospitality, many families blessed us with food gifts and words of thanks—gestures we humbly accepted, knowing it would have been improper to refuse.

One of the most touching moments came when we met a gogo (elderly grandmother) who lived alone and had not eaten in days. Our team fetched water for her, collected firewood, cleaned her living area, and washed her dishes. More than anything, we gave her time, care, and understanding. This encounter deeply moved us and sparked the idea of launching a special fundraising initiative dedicated to helping the elderly—many of whom are frail, living alone, and struggling with daily tasks like gathering firewood and water.

The people of Hankano were overwhelmingly grateful for the visits, supplies, and fellowship. We, in turn, left profoundly touched by their kindness, resilience, and generosity.

This trip reminded us that even small acts of service can have lasting impact. Together, we built relationships, shared faith, and strengthened community.

