## MOZAMBIQUE FOR THE KINGDOM

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## **GREETINGS OF LOVE**

Greetings of love to you all in the wonderful name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. At this time, when we all are affected by the coronavirus, the Mozambican brethren at Mountain Of Praise Church greet us and are praying for us. Some weeks ago, as COVID-19 was spreading and infecting thousands in many nations, the Mozambican President Filipe Nyusi gave a national warning to observe distancing, hand washing and the closing of all large gatherings, including schools and church gatherings. Even though the COVID-19 seemingly has not hit hard on the African continent, there are warnings, especially for third world countries that are not equipped to test sufficiently or to give the necessary treatments. This brings concern for us at MOP Church and ACPO, the orphan care ministry.

## MESSAGE OF TRUST FROM PASTOR REGO

Pastor Rego, who was interviewed by the Dondo radio station, gave an important message of obedience and trust in God. He gave the following words to also encourage and instruct the people at MOP and the orphan mission.

Stand firm with our God. God never leaves us, our trust we will place in God and receive His protection. Read the Bible. The Psalms give us great help from God. We must read the Bible so as not to be disturbed in the event of great distress; thus we are within a line of protection, controlled with the presence of God.

All we can do has its limits so that God can speak through these events. God is in favor of His people; He created His people with all His will so that the people can rejoice and worship Him. The Lord knows how to go through this. This epidemic is mixed with the power of the Devil. Do not lose confidence in our God for one minute; stand firm and the disease will be weakened.

Do what our government says to prevent the virus' deadly infection. We believers must do our part with God to pray and preach the word of God. Matthew 24: 6-8 & 22. God is God of all, He is God of protection, He is God who gives favor to his people, He works miracles every day.



Janota, Rego, Antonio, George (from left to right), students at the Instituto Nautico Portuario, are continuing their vocational studies at the orphanage, as schools are all closed.



Some of the children and teens receiving their school assignments. In the back row on the left are Mama Rego (waving), two cooks and one of the childcare workers.

## **ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE YOUTH**

In my correspondence with the ACPO teens and youth, I am so encouraged by the messages of trust in God that some of the youth, raised within the MOP and ACPO mission are proclaiming. This is an encouragement to me, and I hope to you who so faithfully pray for and help us in the care of the orphans and in the discipling that takes place at MOP church.

Mateus – "With God we are more than conquerors. We pray that God will deliver us of this epidemic. We in Mozambique embrace and greet you all, beloved in Jesus Christ. God's hand is over us and is in control of everything."

Jose – "The Lord is our shield and He is merciful. We are united in Christ."

Joaquim – "Good morning (Mama)! God never abandons us; the Lord Himself will go ahead of you and be with you. Don't be afraid! Don't be discouraged! Don't let fear

paralyze you! We have been through difficult times and we must be diligent. Although we take all precautions, God is above all things! Even in the most frightening situation you can find peace in Jesus. It helps to see the situation clearly and make the right decision."

As you can imagine this helps me in my homesickness to return to MOP church and the ACPO orphan care. Yes, I trust in the Lord whose plans and timing are perfect.

I am thankful to know that the lead pastors go from home to home of the church members to encourage them and pray with them since they cannot hold church services. I am also thankful to know that the orphans pray together and read a verse from the word every evening before bed time.

Please pray with us: For protection from the corona virus; with overcrowded dorms social distancing is not possible. For protection from malaria which has been very bad this year. For food availability; food is becoming scarce and very expensive.



Making cement blocks for the security wall.



Joaquim, tutor at ACPO, is assisting the older orphans with their school assignments.



Sekere, is the food distributor within the orphanage. The white sacks are filled with corn meal and the colored with beans.

I greet you all in thankfulness for your loving concern, prayers and financial gifts without which we cannot care for all the orphans, children at risk and widows who are sent to ACPO by the Social Services. We trust the Lord for His provisions. Together with the orphans, ACPO staff and brethren at MOP church I want to thank you very much for your help. Our love and prayers go out to you all. Tanneken Fros

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