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THE VESSEL THROUGH CORONA VIRUS (COVID 19)

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According to the “Merriam Webster dictionary” a vessel can be a container such as a cask, bottle, kettle, cup, or bowl. The vessel in most cases is used for holding or carrying something. Admittedly, vessels are in many forms, shapes and types which are made for different functions. However, the common characteristic is that vessels are designed to hold substances such as fluids.

God in His wisdom has called people to be the vessels, indeed people cannot do anything good but by the will of God. As God’s vessels, He expects His children to demonstrate Christ-centered love through the acts of faith, compassion, and mercy.

At the Lutheran (Mwembezi) mission rural health centre, through our Brothers and Sisters in the United States of America, the staff in all departments of the clinic realize that being a vessel of God also demands that individuals live according to that calling. As a vessel of God, He uses individuals according to the abilities that He has entrusted in them to do His will.

God is still asking us to bring people to His kingdom, through that which He has instilled in His children, to be dedicated to his work and demonstrate Christ's love through acts of faith. For man was created for such work, just as it is recorded in 2 Timothy 2 :21-22 “ *If a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work. Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart*” (NIV)

The corona virus world pandemic has spoken to the world, to every race, regardless of an individual’s status in society. The world and national economies have been shaken through lockdowns. It is a reality that this pandemic could bring financial stress to families, lead to other health problems, cause family break ups, children stopping school, and companies closing up business indefinitely. The consequences of covid-19 are too numerous to mention but, as we live through this pandemic, we must remember that God remains the “Almighty God”, our Rock of Salvation.

The Mwembezi clinic has been standing strong in its pursuit to offer Christ's love and health services to all the people in this part of Zambia. Thanks mainly to our stakeholders who have contributed financial aid and material support in various forms, and with the individual expertise of our staff, we have all shown ways of extending God’s grace to our patients through being His vessels. Let us all pray for each other especially children who have been left without parents due to covid-19 and many other diseases, pray for the medical and administrative staff and volunteers at Mwembezi who have done their best to see that the clinic remains a shining star, leading to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. For it has been your support in various forms that has aided all the operations at the clinic. To God be the glory for all the teamwork that has been done by all people both in Zambia and USA.



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