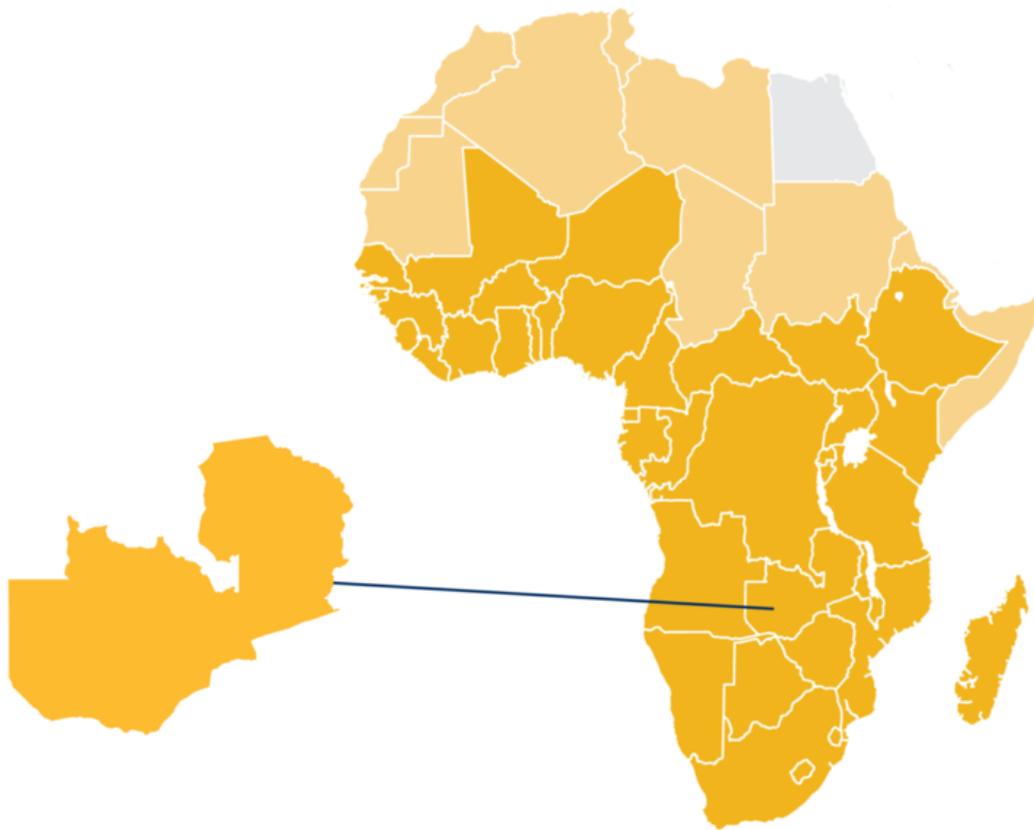


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Africa Region



Zambia

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Zambia in 1961. Zambia is a southern African country of rugged terrain and diverse wildlife, with many parks and safari areas. On its border with Zimbabwe is the famed Victoria Falls – indigenously called Mosi-oa-Tunya, or “Smoke That Thunders” – plunging a misty 108m (354 ft) into narrow Batoka Gorge. It has a population of approximately 18.3 million people and the official language is English.



52,053 Members



145 Fully Organized Churches and 243 Not Yet Fully Organized churches across 4 districts



126 District Licensed and 62 Ordained Ministers

PRAYER



- Pray for the local churches as they continue to reach out to their surrounding communities to share the gospel.
- Pray for the youth to be active in missions
- Pray for the children's ministry to continue to grow and that the story of the gospel would touch their hearts.

PRAISE



- We praise God for the three successful graduation ceremonies that NTCCA conducted in Malawi, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.
- We thank God for His faithfulness to the church in Zambia throughout the hardship of COVID-19.
- We praise God for calling new pastors who are faithfully answering the call in obedience.



Urban Ministry - Zambia Conference



Africa Southeast Field Urban Ministries held a 4-day training conference from 28 August to 2 September, bringing together 18 participants from Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Malawi to Lusaka, Zambia.

Rev. Tsakani Sibanda and Rev. Cyrille Ebam were the facilitators of this training. The participants represented the cities of Lusaka, Kitwe, Lilongwe, Blantyre, Mzuzu, Harare, Gweru, and Bulawayo.

The training content included understanding the urban concept, which was done by taking a practical walk into Lusaka to give a real-world approach, which is essential when understanding a city. Each participant managed to design ministries for their cities. Using a physical map, these ministerial interpretations were used to strategize how to reach their cities with the Gospel message. Such planning helps the church to have a visual and well-structured plan of how effectively the church will reach into the urban areas. The participants also wrote prayers for their cities, which were informed by the research.

The Urban Ministry in the Church of the Nazarene came about from a realization that urban populations are increasing, and cities are growing more complex. This ministry exists to facilitate, resource, and equip the church and the disciple-making movements in urban settings with the desire to see authentic, missional communities spring up to meet the unique challenges in the cities. Participants are expected to champion urban ministries and teach other pastors and leaders in their districts to use these methods and strategies in their urban areas.

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