



Let's Raise the Roof!

How many of us worship in a church without a roof?

We often take our church buildings for granted, but in Malawi and northern Mozambique many churches rely on sheaves of grass thatch for their roofs. Other churches simply meet under the shade of a convenient tree.

This might perhaps sound attractive, but it has a couple of serious disadvantages:

- during the rainy season, worship together can be a real challenge;
- without a proper place to worship together, a church may lack identity and be unattractive to non-believers.

Please help us to put roofs on churches in Malawi and northern Mozambique.

Nondwe Prayer House in Mozambique, recently provided with iron sheets by zm



Rev Luckwell Mtima, the General Secretary of the Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC) in Malawi, spoke about the need for iron roofing sheets for their churches. He said, *"The list has grown so big"*.

ZEC has 7 churches in Mozambique and 27 in Malawi that have requested support for their roofs. River of Life Evangelical Church has a further 5 churches that need help.

Rev Mtima said, *"We really thank God for the support that we are receiving"*.



zm's church partners in Malawi and Mozambique have nearly 40 churches who have requested iron roofing sheets.

How can I help?

zm seeks to nurture "partnerships in the gospel" between churches in Malawi and northern Mozambique and their counterparts in the UK. In zm's "Raising the Roof" initiative, local church members build the church's foundations, make the bricks, pay for the cement, build the church walls and roof trusses – zm then pays for the cost of the iron roofing sheets.

The cost of providing a roof for a church varies: each 12' iron sheet costs about £8. The cost of roofing an entire church ranges from about £230 for a 8 x 12m church to about £1,100 for 12m x 24m building.

If you would like to help provide one or more iron sheets, simply follow the instructions overleaf, or donate online via our website and send us an email with your instructions.

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Raising the Roof Response Form

Title First Name

Surname

Address

.....Postcode.....

Email.....

Please tick where applicable:

"I enclose a cheque for iron sheets @ £8 per iron sheet, payable to Zambesi Mission for £....."

"I have paid £..... online for iron sheets @ £8 each."

(go to www.zambesimission.org and click on "MAKE A DONATION")

"I am a UK taxpayer and would like zm to reclaim tax on the enclosed gift, and any other gift that I make in the future. I realise that I must pay tax that at least equals the tax being reclaimed on the donation(s)."

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