

## Making A Difference

The Central Conference Pension Initiative (CCPI) has become a model of cooperation and commitment within our Church—gifts and pledges have been received from annual conferences, local churches, foundations and individuals. CCPI uses the earnings generated by these gifts to support central conference retirees.

CCPI has already started making a difference. The first CCPI pilot project—launched in January 2007—has provided a quarterly pension to retired clergy and surviving spouses in Liberia for two years. A process review in early 2008 provided assurances that funds are being distributed properly and revealed that distribution time decreased significantly throughout 2007—in short, the system is constantly improving.

The Mozambique pilot project presents an opportunity for continued improvement and an opportunity to extend our reach—providing retirement financial security to God's workers.

Without sufficient funding, clergy in our central conferences will remain unsupported. An investment of at least \$20 million in gifts and pledges is needed to establish pension programs in all of the central conferences.



## A Commitment to Giving

With your gift, the CCPI can change lives for the better and give new hope to Christ's servants in the central conferences.

There are many ways to give...

### Contribute through the Missouri Conference:

- Visit [www.moumethodist.org/mi/retiredpastors](http://www.moumethodist.org/mi/retiredpastors) to make a commitment online or to download and mail a commitment/pledge card;
- Call the Mozambique Initiative office at **1-636-271-4455** to request, complete and return a commitment card to the Missouri Conference; or
- Send a check payable to "Missouri Annual Conference"
  - Indicate "Mozambique CCPI/Retired Pastors Fund" in the comments section
  - Mail it to 3601 Amron Ct., Columbia, MO 65202

For further information please contact:

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E-mail: [cpkreamer@hughes.net](mailto:cpkreamer@hughes.net)  
Web site: [www.moumethodist.org/mi](http://www.moumethodist.org/mi)

### Contribute through CCPI:

- Visit the CCPI Web site at [www.ccpi-umc.org](http://www.ccpi-umc.org).
- Call the CCPI office at **1-847-866-4230**.
- Request and complete a pledge card, and return it to the CCPI.

For further information, please contact:

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## Central Conference Pension Initiative

Supporting Security for Those Who  
Serve The United Methodist Church



*The Reverend Titus Panzela Nhancale and his wife, Essineta Cossa.*



GENERAL BOARD OF PENSION AND HEALTH BENEFITS  
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Caring For Those Who Serve

# Supporting Security For Those Who Serve The United Methodist Church

## A Difficult Decision

For clergy who serve in the central conferences—conferences outside the United States—retirement is a difficult decision.

The seven central conferences in three regions (Asia, Africa and Europe) have nearly tripled in membership over the last decade.

Clergy in Mozambique serve despite dire local conditions—facing frequent flooding and a history of land mines left over from the lengthy civil war. Over 130 years, clergy in Mozambique have overseen the construction of new schools, developed new congregations and helped guide investments that provide for better health care. Yet, despite all the good they've done for their country and its people, these humble servants often will not have government-funded pensions, and may have no financial support in retirement without Church involvement.

**Currently, 9,300 clergy in the central conferences serve more than 3.5 million Church members.**



## A Matter of Justice

In areas where living conditions are difficult, these faithful servants face serious hardship. Consider the stories of those who serve in the central conferences:



### THE REVEREND TITUS PANZELA NHANCALE—

At the age of 70, after more than 30 years in ministry in Mozambique, both Rev. Nhancale and his wife have serious health problems. The limited pension of Rev. Nhancale, a retired itinerant elder, makes it difficult for them to afford medicine.



### THE REVEREND AMINA ISAIAS—

For Rev. Isaias, an itinerant elder in Mozambique, the ministry has been a family affair. Rev. Isaias is now retired after 23 years. Her husband also served as a pastor for 17 years before his death in 1989. Rev. Isaias receives pension payments both as a surviving spouse and for her years of service, but it is not enough.



### THE REVEREND FRANCISCO MACITELA MACIE—

Rev. Macie lived through his country's struggle for independence and the birth of his nation. At 83, he is now dependent on his children to survive. Like many of the retired pastors in Mozambique, Rev. Macie is in poor health and cannot afford to pay for health care.

Providing these faithful servants, and others like them, with a measure of financial security in retirement is a matter of justice.

## Funding for the Future

The generosity of clergy, leaders and members of The United Methodist Church is essential to CCPI's success in Mozambique and across the central conferences.

We hope that you will consider making a financial commitment to assist these Church leaders as they retire after many years of dedicated service.

For every \$10,000 contributed, approximately one central conference retiree will be supported.

**Continued support from across the denomination is crucial.**

