

Ministers for Mozambique



*The Mozambique Initiative*



I planted the seed;  
Apollo watered it;  
but God made it grow.  
*1 Corinthians 3:6*

**Cambine & Ricatla**

**Seminary Student Scholarship Fund**

**Opportunity for**

**Small Groups & Churches**

**Sunday School Classes**

**Bible Study Classes**

**Covenant Groups**

**Youth Group**

Imagine making and enduring difference in the life of a student and the life of the church. *The Mozambique Initiative* has responded to God's call to help develop church leadership in Mozambique. Since 2001 funds for global mission and ministry have been greatly reduced. That includes funds for seminary student scholarships in Mozambique.

*The Initiative* has begun to offer new covenants for the 59 seminary students now attending Cambine and Ricatla seminaries in Mozambique. Your class or group can make a difference for just \$50 per month. If you choose to do this you will be assigned a student, receive their photograph and be able to write to them.

What we ask of you is that you...

- 1) Prayerfully consider covenant in your class or group, leaving a legacy for years to come,
- 2) Name a person to be your class or group contact (Mozambique Ministry Leader),
- 3) Complete the enclosed seminary student covenant commitment card,
- 4) Mail the completed card with a photograph of yourself or your class to *The Mozambique Initiative*,
- 5) Pray for your assigned student daily,
- 6) Write at least one letter a year to your covenant student,
- 7) Send your contribution to the Missouri Conference treasurer's office periodically.

Upon receipt of your commitment and YOUR photo, *The Initiative* will send you a packet of information, the name and a photo of your student. To learn more, contact

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*(Please copy and distribute as many flyers and commitments cards as needed for your small groups!)*

## **Cambine Theological School and Ricatla Seminary**

**Locations:** Cambine, Inhambane Province, Mozambique Founded: Late 1930's  
Ricatla is in the capital, Maputo, Mozambique, Founded: 1958

**Purpose:** Educating pastors to support the vigorous growth of the United Methodist Church in Mozambique. The schools provide a solid 4-year program of studies to prepare their students.

**Background:** The United Methodist Church in Mozambique is vital and growing. There are not enough pastors to fill all of the parish needs. Leadership development is critical to strengthening the church. There is a current urgency due to the loss of previous funding.

**Cambine:** United Methodist sponsorship

Director of School: *Rev. Filipe Massango*

**Ricatla:** Ecumenical seminary serving United Methodists, among others

Director of Seminary: Jonas Ngomane; Academic Dean: Rev. Eugenio Tomas

Accredited by the Government as a medium level institution, offering a bachelor level.

**United Methodist Enrollment:** Cambine: 48 students (many of them women); Ricatla: 11

**Tuition:** Average cost per student is over \$500 USD per year for room, board, books and incidentals. This does not include teachers, classrooms, library, administration, etc.

**Course of Study:** 4 years, and provides a solid theological education. New students on average have completed somewhat less than grade 10, so the education is intermediate between a high school and university education.

**School Year:** The school year starts in February and ends by the first week of December. Winter break is from June to the middle of July.

**Process for Candidacy:** The candidates are observed in their local churches, where they apply for the ministerial training. After that their applications are submitted to the ordained ministry board of the District. The next step is that the district ordained ministry board takes their names to the Annual Conference where they are selected, and sent to seminary. There are other conditions to fulfill: spiritual gifts, as observed by the local church, academic level Grade 10 for diploma, and grade 12 for bachelor degree (note – these grades are not equivalent to grades in US).

**Student Life:** From 7:00 AM to 7:50 AM from Monday to Friday students participate in devotional prayers, taking turns leading. From 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM they attend classes with a lunch break from 12 to 1:00 PM. They participate in sports or cultural activities on the weekends or do their field work in nearby local churches.

**Mozambique Seminary Student Covenants:** Churches, groups or individuals can make commitments to support the school through direct support or scholarships, through the *Mozambique Initiative*. Enter into a Covenant relationship to sponsor a student for 2, 3 or 4 years, for \$600 per year. Contact Carol Kreamer, coordinator at *The Mozambique Initiative* for details on **Cambine & Ricatla Student Scholarship Fund**.

**Who should make a covenant:** This covenant is ideal for small churches, groups and individuals. With the option to contribute \$50/month, a Sunday school class, Bible study, United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, youth groups and more might want to commit to such a personal covenant relationship.

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