



# SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

## SUNNYSIDE

MUSIC SABBATH

27th December 2025



ENGLISH SERMON



Preacher :  
Elder Kennedy Taulo  
(Namilango SDA church)  
Theme: TACRES OF  
DIAMONDS  
Hymn: 183



CHICHEWA SERMON

Preacher: Elder Richford  
Banda (Namilango SDA  
church)  
Theme: Bola nditchedwe  
ndi dzina lanu

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# WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SABBATH

SABBATH – 27<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## ENGLISH SERVICE 07:50 – 08:50

Children Sermonette	Mrs Elsa Mletseni
Preacher	Elder Kennedy Taulo (Namilango SDA church)
Sign Language Interpreter	Mr. Justice Makuluni
Singing Groups	<b>Namilango SDA Church Choir &amp; Upcoming Kids</b>
Chorister	Mr. M Bamusi
Pianist	Limbani Mahatchi
First Prayer & Call to worship	
Second Prayer	

## SABBATH SCHOOL 09:00 – 09:30

Song Service & Sabbath School	<b>Music Day</b>
Sabbath School Lesson	All Group Discussion Leaders

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY 09:30 -09:50

Bible reading	Cai Bunyani
<b>Elder J Dzinga</b>	

## CHICHEWA SERVICE 11:00 – 12:00

Ulaliki wa Ana	Mrs Zimbiri
Mlaliki	Elder Richford Banda (Namilango SDA church)
Chilankhulo cha Manja	Mr. Justice Makuluni
Gulu Loimba	<b>Namilango SDA Church Choir</b>
Woimbitsa Nyimbo	Mr. M Bamusi
Woimba Limba	Limbani Mahatchi
Pemphero Loyamba	
Pemphero Lotsiliza	

## AFTERNOON PROGRAM : MUSIC PROGRAM

### ELDER ON DUTY

**Elder J Dzinga**

### DEACONS / DEACONESES ON DUTY

#### English Service

Mr. G Zomba	Member
Mr. A Nhlema	Leader
Mr. T. Kazembe	Member
Mr. S. Chinyama	Member
Mr. B. Nyirenda	Member
Mrs. M. Chamba	Member
Mrs. L. Zimbiri	Member
Mrs. Chumachawo	Member
Mrs. Kavinya	Member
Mrs. I. Matiti	

#### Chicewa Service

Mr. Kalimbuka	Member
Mr. S. Phalira	Member
Mrs. L. Supuni	Member
Mrs. M. Chibwana	Leader

# WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SABBATH

SABBATH – 3<sup>RD</sup> JAN 2026 DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING

## ENGLISH SERVICE 07:50 – 08:50

Children Sermonette	TBA
Preacher	Elder. A. Chitsime
Sign Language Interpreter	Justice Makuluni
Singing Groups	<b>TBA</b>
Chorister	TBA
Pianist	Limbani Mahatchi
First Prayer & Call to worship	TBA
Second Prayer	TBA

## SABBATH SCHOOL 09:00 – 09:30

Song Service & Sabbath School	<b>TBA</b>
Sabbath School Lesson	All Group Discussion Leaders

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY 09:30 -09:50

Bible reading	TBA
<b>Elder R Bunyani</b>	

## CHICHEWA SERVICE 11:00 – 12:00

Ulaliki wa Ana	TBA
Mlaliki	Elder. A. Chitsime
Chilankhulo cha Manja	Justice Makuluni
Gulu Loimba	<b>TBA</b>
Woimbitsa Nyimbo	TBA
Woimba Limba	TBA
Pemphero Loyamba	TBA
Pemphero Lotsiliza	TBA

## AFTERNOON PROGRAM : DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING

### ELDER ON DUTY

### ELDER BUNYANI

### DEACONS / DEACONESES ON DUTY

English Service

Chicewa Service

## LESSON 13:

### Choose this Day

The final chapter of Joshua is set in the context of a covenant renewal ceremony, but this time conducted by the aged leader of Israel. Although not a covenant itself but rather a report of a covenant renewal ceremony, the chapter has the elements of ancient Near Eastern suzerainty treaties: (1) a preamble in which the suzerain, the initiator of the treaty, is identified; (2) the historical prologue, which describes the relationship between the overlord and the vassal; (3) the covenant stipulations asking the vassal to manifest total allegiance to the suzerain based on, and motivated by, gratitude; (4) blessings for obedience and curses for breaking the covenant; (5) witnesses to the pledge of the vassal; (6) deposition of the document for future reading; and (7) ratification of the covenant.

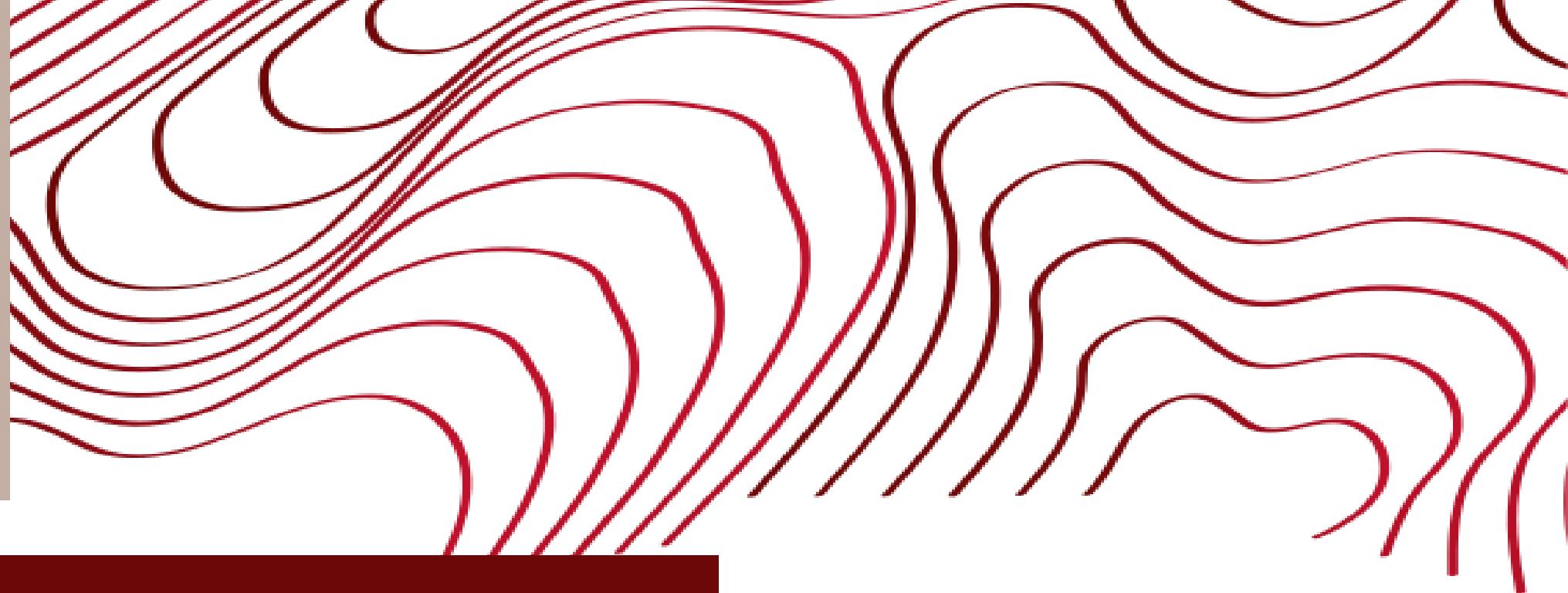
Joshua is close to the end of his life; no replacement is on the horizon. The covenant renewal is a reminder to Israel that their king is Yahweh Himself and that, if they remain loyal to Him, they will enjoy His protection. Israel does not need a human king. As a theocratic nation, they have to ever keep in mind that their only king is the Lord.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and called for the elders of Israel, for their heads, for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God" ([Josh. 24:1](#), NKJV).

Shechem was the place where Abraham had built an altar upon his arrival in the land, and where God first gave him the promise of the land ([Gen. 12:6-7](#)). Now, when the promises given to Abraham have been fulfilled, Israel renews the covenant with God at the very place where the first promise had been given. The appeal of Joshua recalls the words of Jacob to " ‘put away the foreign gods which are among you’ " ([Josh. 24:23](#), NKJV; compare with [Gen. 35:2-4](#)). The geography of the event in and of itself conveys the call to demonstrate undivided loyalty to the Lord, rejecting all other "gods.

Joshua’s appeal clearly expresses the fact that Israel has to decide to whether, through loyalty to their Creator, to keep their uniqueness and live in the land, or to fade back into being one among many idolatrous peoples, with no clear identity, purpose, or mission. The choice is theirs.

Joshua’s appeal is twofold: Israel should fear the Lord and serve Him "in sincerity and in truth." To fear the Lord does not mean a life of perpetual trembling and emotional insecurity. It rather refers to the reverence and awe that stem from the recognition of the unfathomable greatness, holiness, and infinity of God on the one hand and our smallness, sinfulness, and finitude on the other. To fear God is a constant awareness of the magnitude of His demands, a recognition that He is not only our heavenly Father but also our Divine King. Such awareness will lead to a life of obedience to God ([Lev. 19:14](#), [Lev. 25:17](#), [Deut. 17:19](#), [2 Kings 17:34](#)). While "fear" describes the inner attitude that must characterize an Israelite, the practical outcome of reverence to God is service.



## Upcoming Events – January 2026

3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2025 - Quarterly Day of Prayer and Fasting  
7<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 - 10 Days of Prayer

### Details of Events

**December 27<sup>th</sup>: Music Sabbath**

**December 27<sup>th</sup> : Night of Prayer**

### **BIRTHDAYS COLUMN**

**21<sup>ST</sup> TO 27<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

Sunnyside Church members would like to celebrate birthdays of the following brethren;

1. 27 Dec Gift Mumba



**Note:** Members who would like to share their Birthdays are kindly requested to register with **Communications Secretary, Mr. S Nkosi** on **0988950350**

The church has selected the following departmental sponsors for the 2026 year.

#### SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH

#### DEPARTMENTAL SPONSORS 2026

**Church Pastor: Dr Tonnie Katsekera**

No	DEPARTMENT	LEADER	SPONSOR
1	Finance & Proc  Treasury	B. Matandika, M. Chamba, A. Nhlema,   K.Mtike, L.Mpinganjira,	R. Bunyani
2	Deaconry  Church Clerk  Music	T.Kazembe, F.Bunyani  N.Nkamula, T.Chikuni  S.Matandika, S.Kamwendo	D. Mwandama
3	Family Life  Dorcus  Fundraising	Mr & Mrs Koloviko, Mr & Mrs Chamba  I.Matiti, A.Chumachawo  S.Mwandama, C. Phuza	A. Chipungu
4	Strategic Plan  Camp Meeting  Church Dev	Z.Meke, A. Chumachawo,  W.Mpinganjila, C.Kachiswe	G. Phuza
5	Personal Min  Stewardship  Publishing	C.Fatch, R. Mtike  Prof. Kululanga, M.Nseula  R.Gomani, P.Gausi	W. Chilunga
6	Youth Min   Children Ministry	A.Chiwa, T.Tembo   Dr.L. Kululanga, B.Gwembere	Y. Nseula
7	AMO  Public Affairs & Religious Liberty	C.Gondwe, D.Phiri   Cllr C.Gondwe	B. Supuni
8	Health  Communication  Education	F.Nyambi, E. Phanya  A. Phuza, P.Nyambi, S. Nkosi  L.Masiyano, M.Thembachako	J. Dzinga
9	Sabbath School  PCM	N.Chirombo, P.Gausi   P.Chonzi	Z.Matiti
10	Adventist Possibilities   Int. Coordinator	J.Makuluni, Mrs. Chapaladza	V. Jere

# Announcements

1. We warmly welcome our visitors and regular Church members. Let us all observe reverence in Church
2. Today, 27<sup>th</sup> December 2025, is Music program. Invited singing groups include, Upcoming Kids and Namilango Church Choir. Singing groups for Sunnyside need to prepare. All members are requested to participate in the program
3. All members are invited to a Night of Prayer tonight from 7:00pm till tomorrow 4:30am.
4. We shall have 2026 1st quarter Day of Prayer and Fasting. On 3rd January 2026. Theme is Until We're All Home: Prayer of Deliverance. All members should prepare
5. WE shall have Ten Days of Prayer from 7th -17th January 2026. All members should prepare.
6. 9. All outgoing Office bearers are kindly requested to start making Handovers to the relevant incoming Office Bearers. Closing date for the Handovers is 31st December 2025.
7. All members are invited to weekly On-line Bible study every Wednesday, from 6:30pm to 7:30 pm. Any one with problems to access the bible study should communicate to the communication department.

## TO BE TRANSFERS IN- Final Announcement

1. Dorothy Matay from Lilongwe Central SDA Church
2. Catherine Chingota from Kasupe SDA Church
3. Sangwani Harawa from Sector 7 SDA Church
4. Symon Nyondo from Kawale SDA Church
5. Susan Nyondo from Kawale SDA Church

## TO BE TRANSFERRED OUT - Final Announcement

1. Noel Kalonga to Lilongwe Central SDA Church
2. Mphatso Mbawala to Majiga SDA Church
3. Blessings Thawani to Chigumula SDA Church
4. Thokozani Thawani to Chigumula SDA Church

## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

1. We hereby give notice of wedding intentions between Neson Msiska, the Bridegroom, a member of Kanjedza SDA Church, and Hannah Mlanga the Bride, a member of Kanjedza SDA Church.

The wedding shall be officiated on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026 by Pastor Dingani Mfune from 08:00 am at Sunnyside SDA Church.

**This is the fourth announcement.**

**Anyone with a reservation, kindly contact the Church Pastor or First Elder**

# Recurring Announcements

- Members are being encouraged to notify Head Deacon, Mr. T Kazembe of any sickness or bereavement, for members to pray and be available for the concerned families.
- The Church would like to appeal to members who have been worshiping with us for more than six months, or will be worshiping with us for long, to contact the Church Clerk, to have their names transferred to Sunnyside Church.
- Sunnyside Jesus Way meets every Wednesday and Fridays from 5:30- 6:15pm. All members that would like to attend are most welcome.
- 2025 SWM conference AYM Membership Fee Registration is as follows;

- Announcements from Adventist Youth  
Monthly Contributions are as follows;  
Adventures -K500.00  
Pathfinders -K500.00  
Senior Youth(16 years above) -K1,000.00  
AY classes shall be held on Sundays.
- Both men and women, boys and girls are reminded to dress responsibly bearing in mind that as Children of the Most high come to God's house to worship in truth and in spirit. Therefore, need to dress appropriately as befitting Christians waiting for the second coming of Jesus Christ.
- Members are being encouraged to come on time for the Church services and encouraged to attend afternoon programs. English service starts at 07:30am.

## ▪ **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Health department invites all members to Sports activities every Sunday, from 05:00am, here at Church. This Sunday, everyone coming to the Sports should bring a Note pad and pen. Health department would like to monitor progress of all participants.

## ▪ MUSIC DEPARTMENT

## Sabbath Music Session : From 1:30pm to 2:00pm

***Special appeal to Parents to ensure that their wards attend afternoon programs and not be outside during afternoon worship.***

# REMEMBER TITHE AND OFFERING

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN TITHE AND GIVE OFFERINGS  
USE THE ENVELOPES FOR YOUR PLANNED TITHE & OFFERINGS**

# JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

Reading from 28<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2025 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2026

**28/12/2025 - (1 Samuel 20)**  
**29/12/2025 - (1 Samuel 21)**  
**30/12/2025 - (1 Samuel 22)**  
**31/12/2025 - (1 Samuel 23)**  
**01/01/2026 - (1 Samuel 24)**  
**01/01/2026 - (1 Samuel 25)**  
**01/01/2026 - (1 Samuel 26)**

**Weekly Spirit of Prophecy Reading; Patriarchs and Prophets**  
Chapter 47—League With the Gibeonites

## SABBATH PROGRAMS

ACTIVITY	TIME	
Teachers Lesson	6:45:am	7:20:am
Prayer Band	7:20:am	7:30:am
Song Service	7:30:am	7:50:am
English Service	7:50:am	8:50am
Song Service	8:50:am	9:00am
Sabbath School	9:00:am	9:30:am
Announcements & Offertory	9:30am	9:50am
Sabbath School Classes	9:50am	10:50am
Song Service	10:50am	11:00am
Chichewa Service	11:00am	12:00noon
Afternoon Program	2:00pm	4:00pm

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# WEEKLY HEALTH READING

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## *Sabbath Health Reading- December 13*

### **DENTAL HYGIENE**

## **Common Types of Oral Conditions & Dental Diseases**

### **Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction (TMD)**

Jaw injuries, long-term teeth grinding or clenching, and other medical issues can lead to [temporomandibular joint dysfunction \(TMJ\)](#). This group of disorders causes pain in the jaw joint when opening and closing the mouth. It can interfere with chewing, talking, and eating.

Around 10 million people in the US suffer from at least one TMJ disorder.<sup>7</sup> Common treatments for TMJ include:

- [Mouthguards](#)
- Orthodontics
- Jaw surgery
- Physical therapy

## Chapter 51—God's Care for the Poor

To promote the assembling of the people for religious service, as well as to provide for the poor, a second tithe of all the increase was required. Concerning the first tithe, the Lord had declared, “I have given the children of Levi *all the tenth* in Israel.” Numbers 18:21. But in regard to the second He commanded, “Thou shalt eat before the Lord thy God, in the place which He shall choose to place His name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the Lord thy God always.” Deuteronomy 14:23, 29; 16:11-14. This tithe, or its equivalent in money, they were for two years to bring to the place where the sanctuary was established. After presenting a thank offering to God, and a specified portion to the priest, the offerers were to use the remainder for a religious feast, in which the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow should participate. Thus provision was made for the thank offerings and feasts at the yearly festivals, and the people were drawn to the society of the priests and Levites, that they might receive instruction and encouragement in the service of God.

Every third year, however, this second tithe was to be used at home, in entertaining the Levite and the poor, as Moses said, “That they may eat within thy gates, and be filled.” Deuteronomy 26:12. This tithe would provide a fund for the uses of charity and hospitality.

And further provision was made for the poor. There is nothing, after their recognition of the claims of God, that more distinguishes the laws given by Moses than the liberal, tender, and hospitable spirit enjoined toward the poor. Although God had promised greatly to bless His people, it was not His design that poverty should be wholly unknown among them. He declared that the poor should never cease out of the land. There would ever be those among His people who would call into exercise their sympathy, tenderness, and benevolence. Then, as now, persons were subject to misfortune, sickness, and loss of property; yet so long as they followed the instruction given by God, there were no beggars among them, neither any who suffered for food.

The law of God gave the poor a right to a certain portion of the produce of the soil. When hungry, a man was at liberty to go to his neighbor's field or orchard or vineyard, and eat of the grain or fruit to satisfy his hunger. It was in accordance with this permission that the disciples of Jesus plucked and ate of the standing grain as they passed through a field upon the Sabbath day.

All the gleanings of harvest field, orchard, and vineyard, belonged to the poor. “When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field,” said Moses, “and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it.... When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again.... When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean it afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt.” Deuteronomy 24:19-22; Leviticus 19:9, 10.

Every seventh year special provision was made for the poor. The sabbatical year, as it was called, began at the end of the harvest. At the seedtime, which followed the ingathering, the people were not to sow; they should not dress the vineyard in the spring; and they must expect neither harvest nor vintage. Of that which the land produced spontaneously they might eat while fresh, but they were not to lay up any portion of it in their storehouses. The yield of this year was to be free for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and even for the creatures of the field. Exodus 23:10, 11; Leviticus 25:5.

But if the land ordinarily produced only enough to supply the wants of the people, how were they to subsist during the year when no crops were gathered? For this the promise of God made ample provision. “I will command My blessing upon you in the sixth year,” He said, “and it shall bring forth fruit for three years. And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat yet of old fruit until the ninth year; until her fruits come in ye shall eat of the old store.” Leviticus 25:21, 22.

## CHURCH LEADERSHIP

DEPARTMENT	ADVISOR	PHONE
1. Church Pastor	Ps. Dr. Katsekera	0991 684 986
2. First Elder Treasury & Clerk	Elder M Kampani	0886 592 737
3. Associate First Elder Dorcas/Health/Family Life	Elder R Bunyani	0999 871 055
4. Stewardship, Strategic Planning, Communication	Elder N Pendame	0999 273 825
5. Personal Min/Deaconry Finance & Proc	Elder A Chipungu	0888 857 696
6. Youth Min/PCM/Children's Min	Elder Y Nseula	0999 974 888
7. Sabbath School	Elder G Phuza	0999 587 063
8. Public Affairs & Religious Liberty	Elder C Kaluwa	0888 122 655
9. Church Dev/Camp Meeting /Fundraising	Elder W Mpinganjira	0888 200 300
10. Possibilities Min/Int. Cord	Elder S Kamwendo	0888 141 714
11. Music & Education	Elder J Dzinga	0981 822 542
12. AMO/Publishing/VOP	Elder J Mataya	0999 950 613

## DEPARTMENTAL LEADERS

DEPARTMENT	LEADER	PHONE
1. Head Deacon	Mr. T Kazembe	0999 954 045
2. Head Deaconess	Mrs. S. Mwandama	0881 025 122
3. Church Clerk	Dr. W Chikuni	0999 085 601
4. Church Treasurer	Mrs. C Phuza	0888 890 987
5. Church Dev.& Fundraising	Mr. C Kachiswe	0999 642 391
6. Finance & Procurement	Mrs. Chamba	0888 448 484
7. Personal Ministries	Prof. G Kululanga	0880 891 796
8. Dorcas	Mrs. M Nseula	0888 854 544
9. Adventist Men	Mr. J Mataya	0999 950 613
10. Family Ministries	Mr. & Mrs Chamba	0888 958 721
11. Health	Mrs B Moyo	0994 777 116
12. Interest Coordinator	Ms. L Limani	0884 712 516
13. Sabbath School Superintendent	Mr. M Bamusi	0999 292 240
14. Communications Leader	Mr. S Nkosi	0888 347 656
15. Stewardship	Mr. B Kankhuni	0999 927 108
16. Spirit Of Prophecy	Mr. Chilunga	0887 171 665
17. Religious Liberty	Mr. P Kalimbuka	0888 921 333
18. Music Director	Mr. S Matandika	0888 867 719
19. PCM	Mrs. P Katundu	0881 527 825
20. Children's Min	Dr. Kululanga	0888 851 381
21. Young Adult	Mr Amon Chirwa	0991 459 973
22. Pathfinder	Mr. A M'dala	0997 216 715
23. Adventurer	Mrs Supuni	0881 270 192
24. Camp Meeting	Mr. G Phuza	0999 587 063

## CHURCH BANK DETAILS

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