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## Introduction to Quelimane

Our base has a mixture of nationalities, India, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Brazil, and Mozambique. Many of our team members have had the opportunity to do schools in Europe, Brazil and India thus receiving training in different areas. The fact that we are a small team enables us to have the kind of unity and love that identifies us as a family. 50% of the team works in the area of Church Planting and is thus our greater thrust as a base but we also have a huge thrust in short and long term training initiatives, like the DTS and SBS, seminars and mini-schools. We have a good relationship with the local churches and well established partnerships with other organizations. We have a piece of land where we intend to build a training centre base. We see the province as our base and our Church Planting thrust enhances this territorial sensation.

There are many opportunities here to develop new ministries and projects and each day we receive new invitations that we're unable to take up due to the fact that we're still a small team, but when you come to join us we'll have more man power to take on some of these needs of the church in the Zambezia province. A liderança de JOCUM Quelimane entende que seus obreiros precisam de liberdade e tempo para fluírem em seus ministérios, por isso as atividades de base acontecem com uma agenda comum onde há toda flexibilidade para apoiar qualquer evento ou treinamento que se deseje programar.

Quelimane is a blessed city, it has everything, an airport, a port, shops, and banks, a small city but with all that's necessary for an urban lifestyle. Moving 10 kms outside town and one is already in a rural setting, with the tribal characteristics that all cross-cultural missionaries look for. You can have the urban lifestyle you need and at the same time work with communities that are purely Mozambican.

The city is on banks of the river Bons Sinais (Good Signs) and across the river is the Island of Inhassunge and 30kms from there is Gonhane where we're doing Church Planting. Going 10kms in the opposite direction outside Quelimane city is the community of Namuinhu where we have a the YWAM Primary School and if you want to go still 6 hours further by car you arrive in Pebane, take a boat across the river and into open sea for 5 more hours to the Island of Idugo where we have the most recent Church Planting work by a team of YWAMers from our base. We already have some members of this team that are fluent in the local language and would love to take you there! It's great that you heard God and read this website, now you've discovered the reason for your existence, your place is here, come, we're waiting for you!!

With love, your new YWAM base:  
YWAM-QUELIMANE.

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## **Mozambique**

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**Geography:** Situated on the east coast of the African continent, beside the Indian Ocean. Area: 799,380 Km<sup>2</sup>. The Zambezi and 24 other rivers divide the land of 2.800Km length and make the trips from the North to the South more difficult.

**Politics:** For 470 years it was a Portuguese colony, after a long and bitter war for independence, in 1975 it became a marxist-Leninist State. The movement against the Renamo government propagated rural destruction in the biggest part of the country through brutal guerilla warfare. In a 88 the Frelimo government finished with the marxist trends, installing a multipartisan democracy, but only in a 90 a market economy starts. In 92 a peace accord was signed and in 95 the functional democracy already happened.

**Economy:** "One of the poorest countries in the world", declaration from ONU after the cyclone of 2000 that came together with the flood that happens every 1<sup>st</sup> trimester of each year. This poverty is the result of centuries of colonial recklessness where only they extracted resources and nothing was built, together with the Marxist economic theories and 30 more years of intense guerilla warfare, climatic extremities, floods, droughts, a precarious system of roads and railroads, the lack of industries and agricultural cooperatives. Everything contributed for a bad economic development. The public debt in 2003 was 225% of the Gross Internal Product Per capita income: \$ 140 (0.5% of U.S.A.).

**Population:** In 2000 there were 19,680,456, the forecast for 2025 is 30,611,842 inhabitants. Urban population: 28%. In Maputo, the capital, the population is 2,2 million.

**Education:** 40% officially, but in reality only 20% can read and write. The national language is the Portuguese of Portugal, but 6.8% only say Portuguese and are understood by only 30% of the population. In the total there are 39 different languages in the country.

**Health:** The lack of drinking water and malaria, together with AIDS, are responsible for the high death toll. 14% of the Mozambican population are contaminated with HIV+ and there are already 310,000 orphans from the illness.

**Religion:** From 75 to 82 there was severe religious persecution in the country, in this period many missionaries left the country. Since 88 there is religious freedom. The religion of the government is Muslim, but they are not the majority. The evangelical church, the most numerous, suffers a lot with the religious syncretism and needs a better understanding of Christianity to separate themselves from mixed religions.

Religion	Population %	Adepts	Annual Growth
Catholics	20.83%	2,500,000	+ 4.0%
Evangelicals	36.82%	8,845,783	+ 4.0%
Tribes	22.00%	4,329,700	- 0.9%
Muslims	18.10%	3,562,163	+ 3.0%
Hindus	00.05%	9,840	+ 2.5%
without religion and others	02.20%	432,970	- 0.1%

Source of the Data the top: Manual of World-wide Intercession.

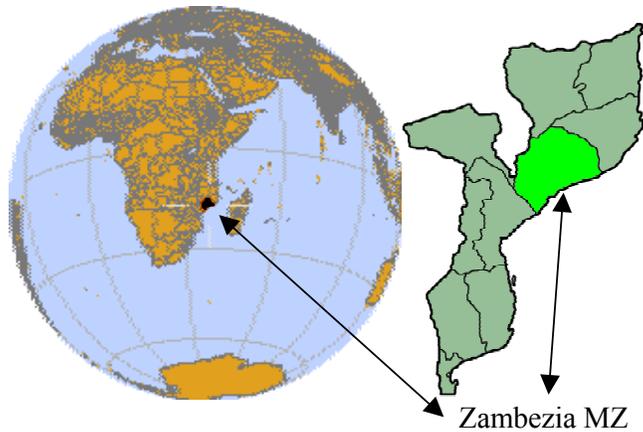


[www.ywamconnect.com/sites/4k](http://www.ywamconnect.com/sites/4k)

4K is a world-wide mapping of the church distributed in the proportional land to the number of inhabitants, the world is divided here in 4379 omega, zones classified on the following form: (a) - less evangelized, (b) - more or less evangelized, (c) - more evangelized. Mozambique has 10 States and the Capital Maputo to form the 11 omega Zones of the country, all classified (B).

WorldID	Country_Name	Admin_Level_1	Pop_2005	World	Region	Region_Name	Field	Field_Name
MZ01	Mozambique	Cabo Delgado	1661920	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ02	Mozambique	Gaza	1937381	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ03	Mozambique	Inhambane	1599351	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ04	Mozambique	Maputo	1162242	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ05	Mozambique	Sofala	1973333	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ06	Mozambique	Nampula	3927907	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ07	Mozambique	Niassa	949209	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ08	Mozambique	Tete	1015440	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
<b>MZ09</b>	<b>Mozambique</b>	<b>Zambezia</b>	<b>3620833</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>South Central Africa Region</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Sub-Sahara Africa Field</b>
MZ10	Mozambique	Manica	842574	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field
MZ11	Mozambique	Maputo City	1287810	B	15	South Central Africa Region	3	Sub-Sahara Africa Field

Zambézia is the province that has the highest population in the country. It's roads allow for good travelling during the dry season and you will find people that speak Portuguese in almost all areas of the province.



**Prayer requests for Mozambique:**

1<sup>st</sup> - For the nation so they can fight against AIDS. There is treatment program is limited. The prevention program is very weak. The illness has been denied by most of the society. Many tribal and Islamic rites exist that help in the proliferation of the illness.

2<sup>nd</sup> - For quality drinking water.

3<sup>rd</sup> - For protection from malaria.

4<sup>th</sup> - For quality training for pastors and leaders. The persecution and other factors have taken some missionaries back to their native countries, so many churches were unsupported. But without a center for the formation of leaders, the church today grows without a solid base, and it is threatened by extinguishment.