

## **Twinning Agreement**

between the parish of..... Diocese of Uppsala,  
Church of Sweden

and the Parish of ..... Diocese,  
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Zimbabwe

This agreement is signed with reference to the agreement of cooperation between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe, ELCT and Church of Sweden, Uppsala diocese and Church of Sweden national level signed October 6<sup>th</sup> 2013. See appendix

### **1. General terms of reference. The agreement is signed:**

- 1.1 To establish closer contacts at all levels of the life of our Parishes so that we may deepen our sense of communion in Christ
- 1.2 To encourage visits and exchanges between groups and individuals in order to learn from each other and to deepen our understanding of the mission and context of our Parishes.
- 1.3 To identify areas of mutual interest and activity and to encourage links between Parish workers, members and committees to enable ideas and experiences to be shared. In this regard participants should if possible take into consideration relevant knowledge and experiences made within the global Church.
- 1.4 To offer support and encouragement to each other through sharing of both spiritual and material resources with the overhead goal to serve Christ through the work of the Parish.

### **2. Exchange of personnel**

- 2.1 Opportunities may arise to establish exchanges for clergy and staff, as well as other groups e.g. youth workers, lay workers and committee workers. Any such application, and any selection required, will be considered by the appropriate person or committee in the Parish and the Diocese concerned.

### **3. Finance**

- 3.1 The hosting Parish will be responsible for certain expenses, eg food and housing within the Parish when welcoming visitors from the twinning Parish.

**4. Contact person**

4.1 Each Parish shall appoint a contact person and or committee, who will be responsible for all contacts being established, by keeping records of meetings, letters, addresses and he or she shall have the planning responsibility for visits

**5. Duration and Evaluation**

5.1 This twinning agreement will last for a period of ..... years beginning on ..... The agreement will be restored for a period of ..... years.

5.2 A year before the agreement is due and a new agreement is to be signed a review and evaluation of the activities undertaken during the period will take place. A minor written evaluation may take place by the end of a period.

This agreement is signed on behalf of the Parish of.....in the Diocese of Uppsala, Church of Sweden and the Parish of.....in the .....Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe.

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