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## **LOMAHASHA, SWAZILAND & NAMAACHA, MOZAMBIQUE**

### **Lomahasaha, Swaziland and St. Thomas Anglican Parish**

In Swaziland, the average person lives on \$1,175 per year (approximately \$3 per day). 30% of the population of Swaziland face widespread malaria risk and there are over 30,000 documented cases of malaria every year leading to over 1,300 deaths. These cases all occur in Swaziland's malaria zone that is a small geographical area along the border of the Lubombo region of Mozambique. Therefore, our efforts are focusing on the village of Lomahasha and its surrounding region. The Lomahasha region has a population of 13,000 people (most of whom are at risk of malaria).

AMP is working with St. Thomas Anglican Parish in Lomahasha, Swaziland. As is the case in many African areas, one large parish serves numerous congregations over a geographical area. St. Thomas has two other congregations in the Lomahasha region. Along with St. Thomas', AMP is working in partnership with the Bishop of the Diocese of Swaziland, The Rt. Rev. Meshack Mabuza, himself a survivor after near death from malaria in 2002.

### **Namaacha, Mozambique and St. Andrews Anglican Parish**

In Mozambique, the average person lives on \$697 per year (less than \$2 per day). 99% of the population of Mozambique face widespread malaria risk and there are over one million clinical malaria cases reported each year. 90% of children in Mozambique are infected with malaria and malaria is the leading cause of death in pediatric wards: 32% in 1998, 42% in 1999, 40% in 2000, and it accounts for 40% of all medical consultations.

AMP is working with St. Andrews Parish, and its two congregations, in Namaacha, Mozambique. Namaacha is located in the Lubombo region of Mozambique in the region that borders Lomahasha, Swaziland. Namaacha has a total population of 9,000 people, virtually all of whom are at risk of malaria infection. Along with St. Andrews Parish, AMP is working in partnership with the bishop of the Diocese of Lubombo, The Rt. Rev. Dinis Senqulane, an active member of the World Health Organization's Roll Back Malaria initiative.

### **Lomahasha & Namaacha: A Concentrated Effort**

Lomahasha and Namaacha provide a concentrated region for us to focus our initial efforts as these two villages are only 2 km (1.25 miles) from each other. In fact, Lomahasha and Namaacha serve as the main boarder crossing between Swaziland and Mozambique for the Lubombo region. Through St. Thomas Anglican Parish, and its satellite congregations, and St. Andrews Anglican Parish, and its satellite congregations, AMP will be able to reach the 22,000 people who live in the Lomahasha and Namaacha townships with life-saving ITNs and anti-malaria medicines.

Visit our website for more details about Lomahasha, Namaacha and the Anglican parishes.

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