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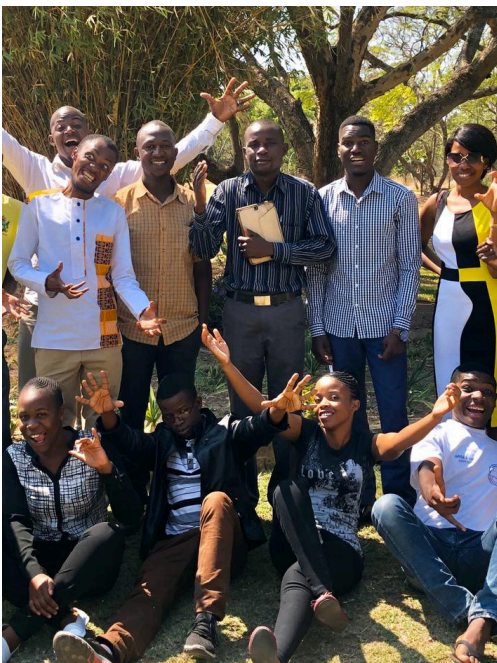
Ministry Apprenticeship Training Zimbabwe

Ministry Apprenticeship Training (MAT) Zimbabwe works with Evangelical Christians in training Gospel workers through ministry apprenticeships for the task of Gospel ministry.



The context of Zimbabwe today

- Zimbabwe has an autocratic government, and there is often violence and brutality
- It is volatile and uncertain economic environment for people to live in
- 85% of the population are in poverty, while those in power hold all the wealth
- There is a great need for hope but there is a big blend of religious ideas
- Gospel preaching in churches is growing, however there is still widespread prosperity teaching
- 80% of pastors are untrained and many churches don't have a pastor
- The need for trained ministry workers is great

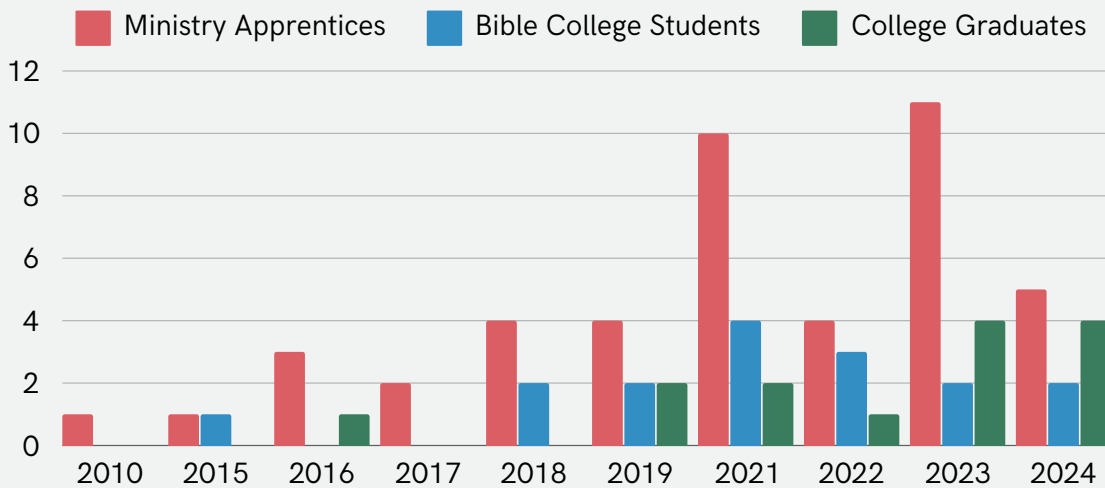


What MAT ministry involves

MAT is much like the ministry of MTS in Australia, although they have a much more challenging context in which they do ministry! Since 2010, they have been working on evangelising, discipling, training and sending disciple-making disciples. Apprentices are trained either in church or on campus (or both) and under the guidance of a trainer.

They attend events put on by MAT, read books and papers (often from MTS resources), and get to do ministry in a supportive learning environment. The aim for MAT is to train apprentices and then send them on to Bible College and in to vocational ministry.

MAT Zimbabwe Growth (2010-2024)

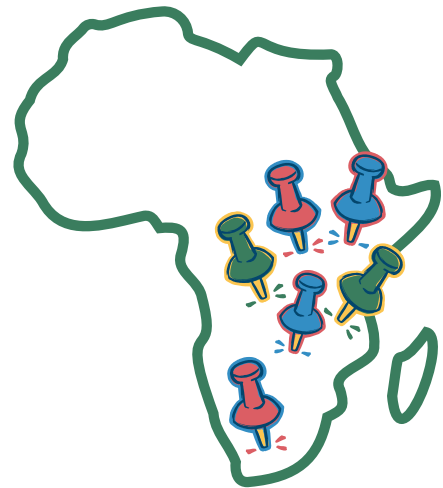


Over the past decade, God in His kindness has grown the ministry of MAT and is providing more growth still! It is encouraging to see how ministry apprenticeships are directly seeing more people not just go to bible college, but graduate as qualified pastors. This is something Zimbabwe and Africa more broadly desperately need.

Multiplying the apprenticeship model

The context of Zimbabwe is also experienced by most other countries in Africa, and as such, there is a growing desire for their ministry to be running in more places.

MAT is expanding and taking the methodology of apprenticeships into five other African countries (Zambia, Kenya, South Africa, Uganda & Malawi).



The goals of MAT Zimbabwe

- Grow from Fellowship to... Movement*
- Improve the quality of training (Training Centre visits)
- MAT Zimbabwe G8 Conference – Apprentice Training DNA
- Train 100 Apprentices by 2028 (cumulative – 40 @2023)
- Provide intentional support to other African Movements

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