

We have a new doctor!

We recently received word from Eugenio Simango in Mozambique that he passed Certification Exams he took in July, and is now a medical doctor. So he is now Eugenio Simango, M.D. He is working in a temporary medical position in Tete Province (which he says is the hottest area of Mozambique) while he looks for a better position to become available. His search is complicated by the presence of COVID-19 in Mozambique.

Longer term Eugenio wants to continue his medical studies and specialize in general or cardiac surgery. He is looking for a training opportunity outside of Africa, and ultimately is willing to work and settle down in any reasonable location.

For those who don't know the history, here is some background...

- David Marshall, son of Sue and Brian Marshall, served in the Peace Corps in 2010-2012, where he taught math in a large, regional school in Mozambique (in south-eastern Africa). Among the many students, he identified three young men who he felt were exceptionally bright and determined to make something of their lives.
- David approached St. Peter's and asked if we would be willing to help the three (Alberto, Antonio, and Eugenio) attend college. Without our help they would have been unable to continue their educations beyond high school.
- We investigated, and learned it would cost about \$16,000 to support all three for four years of college. After discussion and prayer, we undertook the challenge and agreed to assist them.
- All three did very well in their studies and graduated in four years. Alberto, a math major, was invited to spend a semester in Sweden, and is now working in Mozambique as a mathematician. Antonio majored in journalism, and has held several positions where he is writing and educating his countrymen. And Eugenio took pre-med courses, continued his studies, and has just become an M.D.

Opportunities such as these are our finest hours at St. Peter's. We changed the lives of three young men who, otherwise, would have had very limited opportunities. There is no telling what they will accomplish and who they will influence in the years ahead.

It's a great story, and something we in St. Peter's can take pride in.

