

KUPORESA

Healthcare Trust

Healing with our hearts



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After 10 years of working as a paramedic in the United Kingdom with the NHS (National Health Service), I returned to Zimbabwe in 2009. I spent two years working on six week rotations offshore, as the medic on gas exploration vessels, whilst also striving to help those in need in my community with a variety of challenges, from clothing to food donations and so on. I began visiting my local hospital, donating what I could and this is where I began practising my wound care skills under Dr Nhende (District Medical Officer) for the university course I had embarked on.

In 2018 I qualified as a Wound Care Specialist with the University of the Free State, South Africa, and began using these skills within my rural community of Chegutu.

In August 2019, I was presented with a young child who had sustained severe burns. She had been treated in the local hospital for several months and her injuries were not healing, as basic wound care consumables were expensive and mostly unavailable at the hospital. As I had just had a baby, I took over her treatment from the verandah of my home, using the kind donations that I had pleaded for from South Africa. I proceeded with what was to be a traumatic and lengthy healing process. This young child, after many months of wound care, reached the stage of being able to have a skin graft, and it was then that I knew I needed to set up a Trust in order to create a proper structure for providing safe and adequate medical care, not only for her, but for all the other children, mothers, infants and vulnerable patients in similar pecuniary situations in my community.

I founded the Kuporesa Healthcare Trust, which means " To Heal" in Shona.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)