

# Lockdowns Cannot Lock Down Your Presence, Goodness, or Love

Bishop Zowa shares from Zimbabwe

My testimony must *always be* one of giving thanks. Nothing in my story is relevant or meaningful without offering thanksgiving to God who makes all of our lives worth living. Half of 2020 is gone, six months dominated by the realities of a world that has had to come to terms with the challenges of a pandemic, one that has added to the other challenges people in Zimbabwe have to endure. Instead of despairing, we give thanks. We join our hearts with yours in prayers of gratitude. My daily prayers echo my testimony of gratitude, and must be...

***Thank you, Lord, that our greenhouses are full of vegetables and supporting our community.***

***Even as the next harvest approaches, thank you for the masks our women have made for the children we serve, and for keeping us well.***

***Thank You, that in these times of increasing food insecurity we are able to distribute Hope Packs among the poor and needy ones.***

***Thank You that every child is everyone's child, and for being present in our lives to help us feed, care, and teach our children to care for each other and love You.***

***Thank You for those who go the extra mile in allowing Your provision to flow through them.***

***Thank You for those who cover us with their prayers. Their prayers make a difference.***

***Thank You that a lockdown cannot lock down Your presence, goodness, or love.***

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