



# PRESS RELEASE

## Team Mozambique Leaves for Africa

**Timmins, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009:** The Northeastern Catholic District School Board would like to wish our "Team Mozambique" safe travels as they embark on their journey to Africa on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

Gretchen Morgan, Principal at St. Patrick School in Kapuskasing, Christina Keseru, Teacher at Holy Family School in Englehart, Anne Archambeault, Teacher at St. Anne School in Iroquois Falls, and Kim Hall, Special Assignment Teacher at Northeastern Catholic DSB, will depart from Timmins on Sunday for their 14 day voyage. The Team will be visiting and working in various African communities such as Maputo, Massinga, and Mambone.



Kim Hall stated, "We are leaving for Mozambique and I'm so proud to representing the Northeastern Catholic District School Board. As a system, we have gathered together with the goal of raising funds and spreading our Christian beliefs and values to others. A great deal of effort and creativity has

been demonstrated by our schools. We have joined as one as a system to put the needs of others ahead of ourselves.”

Upon their return on May 16<sup>th</sup>, the team will begin planning a series of presentations for our Catholic school communities to share the many stories they will experience in the upcoming days.

“Whenever I return to Canada, I feel refreshed by the passion Africa exudes. I feel thankful for what it teaches me: how to be happy with what I have, to focus on people rather than materials, to see God in all things rather than to see myself.” added Christina Keseru.

The team will complete this missionary work as part of project Mozambique that began in September 2008. After months of activities and events, our schools raised over \$34,000 to translate bibles, missals and liturgical resources into the language of Xhitsuwa (sheet-swah), Xope (sho-pay), Bitonga and Chindow. As well, part of the funds will go towards the building of a church and church hall which will serve as a community center, an educational facility, women's co-operative and a medical center.

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