



# MALAWI

## Mission Update

### May 23, 2024



Hello All!

Praying that this update finds you well.

We praise the Lord that His goodness and mercy go on forever, and are truly greater than anything we could ask or think.

We are thankful for so many successful evangelical and ministerial events this season.



The branch in Mulanje has tripled!!! Myson and Mack, from Bvumbwe, along with a couple of other young men who are being trained up, travel to Mulanje every Saturday and hold services. Usually 2-3 women are present. Last Saturday, there were 8!!! Women are being drawn to the ministry through hearing many testimonies, such as the one I sent last time from a Muslim woman! Praise God that we CAN experience Him!

Our pastor Mr. Namasenda has opened a branch about four hours walking distance from the first church in Thekerani. This is in a place called Kalulu forest. He has been walking there every Friday for about a month and walking home to be ready for Sunday services on Saturdays. This is not an easy task, as Kalulu forest is a village deep in a mountainous area. There is a consistent attendance of about 40 members there so far. We are hoping to do an overnight program there soon! Pray that this encourages and grows the church.

The branch in Thekerani is doing fine. It remains strong. We thank God. Feeding program went well and ended in the middle of April. We do not want to just be enabling the people in poverty by continuously feeding them. Many months out of the last two years we have stood with them, handing out meals, but we want to instead see them becoming empowered. We believe God created work and made it as a good thing. We have asked if anyone in the church has a field which is not in use. One man has volunteered a large field, which is also by the main river in the region! It is a bit of a walk, but the plan is for the church to be able to cultivate different foods throughout the year and the church to be able to distribute from that. Those who work will be main ones in the feeding program. We hope to purchase a treadle pump to help irrigate in the dry season.

We thank God that even though many people in Malawi have not harvested, both Pastor Namasenda and our young man in Bvumbwe, Myson, are now harvesting some crops!! This will not only provide them with food, but also with some income for them personally!!! We always love to see our brothers and sisters in Christ prospering, thanks to His generous hand. Namasenda is even seeing good outcomes from his cooking oil business that is helping him be able to go to a new and bigger rental home closer to the ministry where he hopes to hold daily Bible studies. Stewardship matters!!!



Unfortunately, the phone we purchased for the ministry in Nsanje is not handling the extreme heat there and finds charging and different operating methods difficult, so we do not hear from Joseph there very often. Thankfully, he can still make normal calls to Myson and Mack and the ministry

there is strong and doing very well. Joseph has still been attending the last of his high school classes, but when he finishes next month, we will be able to pick up more projects there. Thankful for his faithfulness.



Two weekends ago, some of the faithful from Bvumbwe spent the night on the mountain. This was in prayer and preparation for evangelism.

The group on the mountain!

The first outreach they did last week was to Njuli. It was considered very successful. There were three groups that set out and just one group recorded five salvations!!

The green in the picture beside points to one of the men who accepted Christ in Njuli!



The second trip was to a place called Lunzu.

There were people in Lunzu that accepted Christ and loved hearing the Gospel so much they want MORE, and have already opened their home to have a branch established there!



Pray for the young men in Bvumbwe, as the work of establishing

branches will be great, and multiple, as we are also hoping to revisit Mayera and Malonje, though it has been some time, trusting to have branches there, also.

All of this should happen before our dear Mack is serving more solo in Bvumbwe. We have found a farm land!!!! It is currently 26 hectares, with the chance of expansion! The trees you see out in the distance is our boundary. Our goal is to transfer Myson to Salima to oversee the farm, and start up some ministry projects in that region. We are beyond thrilled to see the farm get up



and running. Papers and payments happen tomorrow!! Pray for God's blessings to never stop overflowing from this land. We have been trying and searching and believe we have found the place where God will... well... surprise us with His goodness even more!

A huge thanks to all of our prayer and financial partners. None of this would be possible without you. As humans, it is important we always stay humble and understand our limits. We could not stay strong as leaders, have the finances to do it all, or even be faithful in doing good without the encouragement of prayer, the effects of unity, or the help of your support! Thank you. May God bless you more.

In Christ.

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