



MALAWI

Mission Update

November 30, 2020



Greetings Everyone!!

I pray this update finds you all well.

November has been a month full of changes and growth.

In the very end of October Limbani and I moved to the outskirts of Blantyre city in the Southern region of Malawi. Here we have access to nearby villages and just a couple hour's drive will take us to the very rural villages on the border of Mozambique. We chose this area specifically for ministry purposes and we have been excited to see ministry starting!



Our home in Blantyre

You may remember we did ministry in October in Thyolo district at Ngombe, this is a rural village on Mozambique border, where we started a church and had a baptism. We thank God for providing for Chisomo's school fees for next semester and pray he continues to study well and finds success in his schooling. Chisomo and his mother have been greatly encouraged. Chisomo's mother enjoys leading songs in church. When God is for us, who can be against us!?

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Chisomo's mother

On the way to Thyolo the first time, Limbani met a witch doctor and his nephew. The nephew is named Dave. Pray for Dave. He called Limbani a couple weeks after meeting him and had been challenged by what he had said about light and darkness not being able to abide together. Limbani explained more to him over the phone and shared the Gospel. Dave called a couple days later and had decided he would leave his uncle and the family business of witch doctoring! He is interested in the Light. We have been trying to meet with Dave, but God's time has not yet come since it has not been working out yet. Still, we don't give up. Pray for his salvation and that we can meet.

We were able to check up on the church in Thyolo, Ngombe, this Sunday and are so glad people are continuing to meet faithfully. The blind girl Gloria, who was baptized, is still happily part of the church and has even brought



Gloria and Stella

her friend Stella, who is also blind. We were even able to do a small clothing distribution with the church members there. Next month we will be doing some Biblical training there. Our pastor friend has volunteered to go and stay there, and we will visit often during the training. We pray it will be a whole month of daily training for these new and growing believers. Now, we are busy putting together church doctrines and standards for the training.

Near our home we have been blessed to find a government secondary school to be ministering at three times a week. Wednesday and Sunday afternoons we hold a fellowship ministry, it is just like church, but we call it fellowship so people still feel free to attend whatever their church is and still be learning and growing with us.

On Saturdays we hold youth group. We have had two official youth group meetings so far. The first Saturday we had 17 youths, and this Saturday we had 29 youths. They seem to be



Leslie teaching at youth group



Youth group games

enjoying it a lot and interacting and listening well. Four youths have rededicated their lives to Christ thus far.

I have been busy writing curriculum for youth group, especially, including teaching series with coordinating daily devotionals and weekly memory verses. As the youths are from villages, most do not have Bibles. It is very important to us that we

encourage those who are willing to be reading the Bible daily. We also encourage this in the Thyolo church. We have begun purchasing Chichewa Bibles for these two ministries. Just \$10 can buy a Bible. If you feel led, you can contact me on lesliecailin@gmail.com, or my mother at 269-496-4525 to see how to donate!

We are also praying about a primary school that seems to be welcoming us to do ministry. Pray God will guide us and give us wisdom about when to start and what kind of program to have there.

We are so thankful that God is opening so many doors and doing His work through and with us! I never regret having chosen to be a servant of the Lord. I pray that if you are a Christian, you also find joy in walking every day with Christ as His faithful servant. It is not always easy, but there is certainly no shortage of opportunities! As I was doing a Bible study, I was asked to explain what being the Lord's servant has meant to me..... perhaps in my answer you will be encouraged and motivated to a fervent and active service. This is the purpose of life!



Limbani teaching at youth group

“It has meant so much. It has meant beauty and adventure. It can be exciting and refreshing. Sometimes it means I am lonely or uncertain. It puts my self aside. It has meant following, learning, surrendering, and persevering. It is

simple, but it is hard. It has meant being offended and misunderstood- the one who is different. It has meant change, but through it all, love and confidence and faith grow, and so does my vision and knowledge of the Holy. It has meant satisfying sacrifice.”

In Christ,

Leslie

Psalm 25:3

