



MALAWI

Mission Update

May 11, 2021



Dear Friends and Family,

We are praying that you all had a great Mother's Day. It is such a wonderful day to reflect on devoted love! Limbani and I have been thinking a lot lately about love and how it is the principle of life. It is such an important character to exhibit because it is the very essence of God Himself. We have been challenging ourselves to make choices and speak words out of love in every situation, so as to not miss any opportunity for the Kingdom. May you take a moment to think about it, also and be challenged.

We are so glad to see that the ministry in Bvumbwe, along with the new ministry in Machinjiri are both going strong. We are planning to have a Crusade in which both of these groups could take part. It is a two-day revival meeting! We would need to arrange songs and preachings amongst ourselves, the youth, and our pastor friend, Navincha. Ideally, we would rent a speaker system and instruments. Pray for these details to come together. Many are testifying to truths they are learning, and changes for the better that they are seeing in their lives. I always like to hear questions from the youth about their daily life situations and help them through different circumstances.



Navincha, preaching

Limbani was able to take a trip to Thekerani with some of our youth to encourage the church there. We bought some chickens and corn flour and leafy vegetables so that food fellowship could also encourage them that day! Some of our girls led a children's program for the day! They shared some special music and memory verses. We pray that all involved were deeply touched and exhorted. Serving the Lord is truly a huge blessing. We are so excited to not only have a part of His work, but to help others have an opportunity to grow through serving.

We are planning soon to take some of the youth on an evangelistic outreach



Picture from the trip to Thekerani



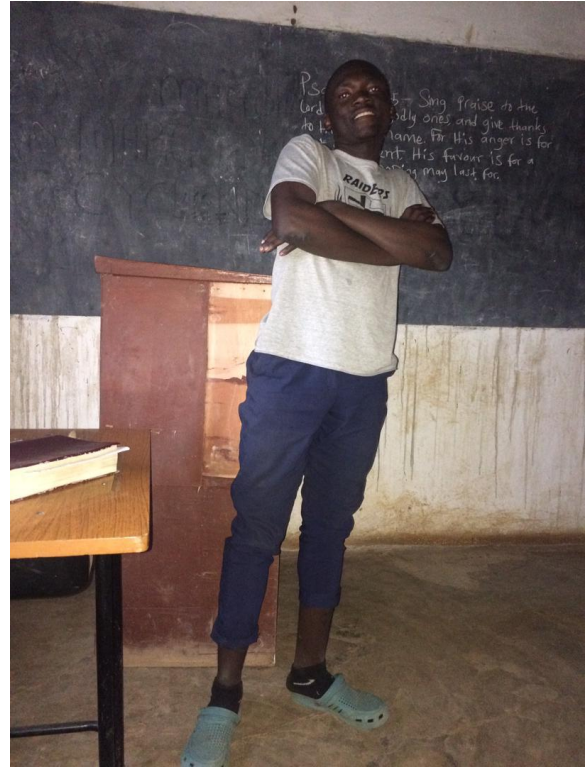
One of the youth girls teaching the children

to a district about 2 hours away, Phalombe. We have been planning for a few weeks and are excited to see another opportunity for the youth, and the ministry, and the Kingdom to grow. May God be glorified. This should happen around the end of May!

On a personal note, we are filling out some paperwork for Benaiah regarding the US embassy here, since he was born abroad. This means a lot of gathering of old papers, filling out of new papers, and even a five-hour drive to the capitol, Lilongwe. Just pray everything goes smoothly and his passport and citizenship comes through quickly.

Meet Our Youth

Forstinal Chikhwaza is our youth group boy who attends the boarding school, Chinsapi, near our home Limbani was blessed to be invited to speak at. We also hope to be meeting with him and some of his friends next semester as another new youth group in the ministry. Forstinal is quiet and kind, and a leader amongst his peers as an advocate for the Gospel.

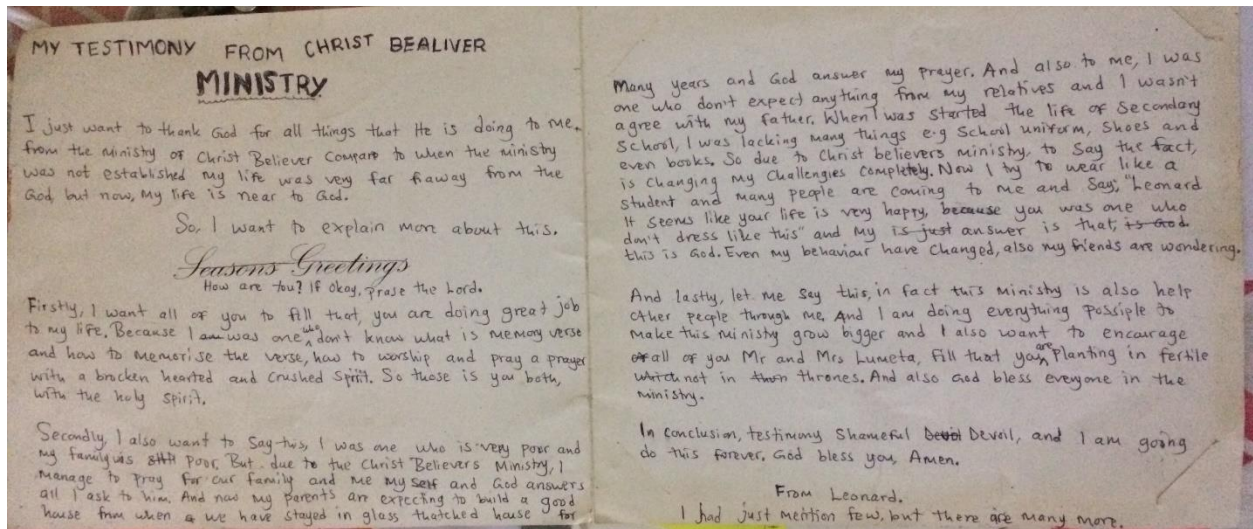


Forstinal Chikhwaza



Leonard Makungwa

Leonard Makungwa is our Security and Cleanliness Coordinator in the youth group. He comes to youth group always full of humility and joy, though he bicycles from many kilometers away. He even chooses youth group over playing soccer, which is a big deal here in Africa! We love to see how he praises the Lord in his life through testimony.... attached is a photo of a letter he wrote us (below).



Leonard Makungwa's letter

Chisomo Wilson is one of our leaders in the youth group. She is the worship and praise coordinator. With her help, a praise team and choir has been organized among the youth group. They are deeply enjoying this and growing spiritually through their participation. Pray for her as she has come to us and wants to break up with her boyfriend and is struggling a bit in this. We praise God she is choosing her First Love as her focus and affectionate Lover.



Chisomo Wilson

Let us praise the Lord together for His faithful provision. Thank you to all who have a part in this ministry!!

In Christ,
Leslie

