



# MALAWI

## Mission Update

### April 13, 2023



Hello, Everyone,

February and March were full of beauty and tragedy.

Lots of evangelism happened in Machinjiri, as well as a hands-on evangelism training trip in Sochi. We are so glad to see church members in each place reaching outside their comfort zones for the sake of the Gospel. Have you tried it lately? You will never regret the growth and power that it brings to your spiritual life.



We are also very excited to see a great Sunday school program being led by one of our faithful women in Machinjiri. She always has a great turnout, and the kids love it! We are so thankful for her generous and loving heart.

Bvumbwe had a good trip to the mountain as a church. Our churches always enjoy getting to meet in a place that is just bare nature. There is nothing like getting to know the Creator right in the midst of His creation.



Sadly, Malawi suffered a very severe hurricane. Hurricanes are a normal annual occurrence that normally hit the south of the country, but this time it hit a major city and the surrounding areas that were not prepared for such a disaster. Over 500 lives were lost, and whole villages were



swept away by muddy flash floods and landslides. Roads to places like our church in Thekerani still are not passable. Pray for them as they remain shut off from help and other people. Also pray as they are meeting under a tree, as our church structure was destroyed.



We praise God that while some homes were lost, no lives were lost in our ministry. God even miraculously protected Pastor Navitcha, who lives on the side of the severely affected mountain. The stream by his house was meant to flood and wipe him away, but huge boulders from the top of the mountain came and made a barrier, protecting him, and redirecting the lethally dangerous flash flood away from his house. He was reported safe, with minimal house damage. Never underestimate the wonder of being a beloved child of Almighty God!

After the cyclone, we had a large overnight prayer vigil with our three accessible churches, Bvumbwe, Sochi, and Machinjiri, praising God for the protection of life and goodness of His faithfulness!

Pray for the ministry as we prepare to do a cyclone disaster relief project in one of the worst affected areas. Hundreds of people are living in a school and kids are not attending school at this point. We plan to distribute clothes, food, and the Gospel! And, we are very excited that Limbani's oldest brother will be overseeing this project for us! Yay! Go family!!



I am so excited that in February we finally got the finishing touches on our ministry website and were able to publish it! Yes, that's right.... Our website is

live! It has been a project a long time in the making, but I believe it was worth all the effort. Check out the website to sign up as a prayer partner, find more information, see loads of pictures, check out the projects we hope to do and are doing, contact us, and even donate. We are tax deductible! Here's where to go:  
CBMmissions.org

Thank you all so much.

In Christ.

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