

## MALAWI Mission Update September 20, 2024



Blessings, Everyone,

Praying God surrounds you with so many evidences of His presence today!

So sorry it has been some time since a formal update. I do give some small updates on a WhatsApp group, and also a Messenger group, if you are not on and are interested in being added to either of these, reach out and I would be glad to assist.



We are pleased that the ministry continues to grow.

Our church in Bvumbwe has done some outreaches, returning to Mayera, Malonje, and Lunzu. We are praying branches will be established in these areas within the next year. Pray for servants and the continued provision to be able to keep sending out harvesters!!

Mack (pictured left) oversees the branch in Bvumbwe, as well as in Mulanje. Pray as he meets some resistance from NOT well-wishers, both regarding the ministry and his personal life. We tried to establish him in business with some animals. We got some chickens so he could eat and sell eggs, as well as some pigs for breeding and selling, but unfortunately the pigs have been stolen, and the chickens killed. Pray as we seek the best avenue of business for him in the town of Bvumbwe.

The branch in Nsanje has also been doing an evangelistic outreach trip about once a week for over a month now, and they are often received very well, visiting up to 50+ houses per trip. Pray for fruit to be produced in the areas they visit, as we truly want to obey Christ and not just preach, but truly make disciples. Their evangelism team (pictured to the right) continues to grow and be trained. The church often does overnight prayers and is a very strong, unified branch, we praise God! Joseph handles all of these projects as well as weekly church services and youth groups. Pray as he should soon begin a business of selling clothes in the market to help support himself concerning some of the smaller daily needs.



Pastor Namasenda continues to head two branches. He oversees Thekerani and travels weekly to Kalulu Forest, which is about four hours of walking one way. The ministry put a bicycle there, but he does not have the means of upkeeping it. These men, you must understand, are from the villages, and it is very hard to manage businesses in such poverty-stricken areas, especially when you do not have



the training or experience to do so. We gave him the start up of a cooking oil business, which went well along with his wife's business of selling donuts, but the business was cashed out to pay for the birth of his son. Pray as we have helped him to establish a new business. May God increase and bless him. If he can manage the business to get himself on his feet, and the bicycle up and running, we would like to bless the ministry there with

a motorbike. We encourage responsibility first, so we are not the ones relied upon, as we are not God. Baby Shepherd Namasenda is pictured to the right.

Gloria has completed her months of schooling at the school for the blind in Thyolo. She came home very well equipped to lead a better life. She learned many techniques in different areas of life. She was taught how to count money, read braille, and she even learned some cooking techniques. Gloria went home and was able to make donuts, from mixing the batter to deep frying them all by herself! Her sister takes the donuts and sells them in the market. The ministry, praise God for Gloria's sponsor, has provided the means to be able to expand her business in the market to include other goods, also. Pray for her success and constant safety, as

being blind does pose a constant threat to her, both in business and personally. We have advised her mother to always be with her. Below is a picture of Gloria, and of her mother with the goods for the business.





Thank you to all who have been supportive, interested, and praying for the farm. Three wells have been dug, the duplex and outhouse are nearly finished, 23 hectares of land have been tilled, and much more. Planting and more developments will be happening very soon. I do not like to focus the ministry updates on all of these details, but many can be found on the aforementioned group chats. I have many pictures and videos. Anyone interested could also receive emails.

In Christ.

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