

Greetings to all of our CFA family and friends!

As I was working in my very small garden today I was reminded of a well known verse. Paul said in 1 Corinthians 3:6, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow."

Just like we plant, water and wait for God to produce the fruit in our gardens, CFA over the years has planted and tended the ministry He gave us both in Malawi and Burundi. As we continue to water and tend these fields we know it's only His Spirit, living in and working through us and our leaders, that is producing fruit. True ministry is always about HIM and not about us. It's for HIS glory not our glory. The prayer of our hearts is that our labor and the message we bring will continually produce true transformation in people's lives because it is focused on Jesus, so the blessings received are not just for today but for eternity. Our prayer is that people will understand their need for a Savior and receive the biggest blessing of all—the promise of heaven.

God continues to expand and deepen our work not only through the many faithful pastors and prison chaplains who we have worked with over the years, but also through the new people and organizations God brings into the work. The pastor and prison chaplain's trainings continue, more Bible study and discipleship materials are being introduced and translated into Chichewa. More tracts are being translated. A new book, 12 Seeds written by Norm Anderson, which is used in prison ministry here in the US will soon be translated into Chichewa as well. Lives are being changed both in the communities and in the prisons as people come to know Jesus in a more personal way.

This spring I was in Malawi while two new groups launched their programs. Both Pastor Kevin Olson Orality Institute, which offers an oral style of Bible teaching and Serve Now, under the direction of Ben Foley, which focuses on discipleship and leadership, are excited to work with our African leaders. Both groups are making plans to return to Malawi soon to continue their trainings. Since that April /May training both Orality and Serve Now groups have started to meet in some churches and prisons. As we share some pictures with you I hope you will rejoice with us in what God has been doing over the past few months.

Please pray with us for this work and for all the African leaders who will be using what they have learned and the materials they have been given. Many in Malawi have heard the message but they need people to do the work of discipleship to help them grow in their faith and in their understanding of who Jesus is and who He wants them be. Pray for the the African leaders leading programs like Orality, Serve Now, Alpha, Kids Clubs and The Prisoners Journey. Pray too for the needed Bibles as evangelism and discipleship groups expand. Pray for a country whose people struggle to find food and to live with high inflation. Pray and ask how He would have you be involved.

We cannot do this without your prayers and support.

Pam Nersesian

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As you consider your charitable giving this year, would you please consider supporting the work of Christ's Footprints in Africa?

To continue with the projects we have started, and to keep growing, we need the prayers and financial support of people who believe in this ministry. Will you partner with us?

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THANK YOU for your gift and prayers

Word of Grace Church



Two desperately needed water collection tanks were installed at Bimbi and Myera schools.





We thank God for the rice harvest at the Bimbi garden site. Pray with us for the vegetable harvest and for the completion of this project which will eventually bless 7 communities.

(Left) Thanks to our donor church in Afton, MN for providing Chichewa Children's Bibles. Pray the Word of God will not return void

Bread of Life for the Nations

Pastor Watson and his leaders continue to faithfully serve their community wherever God leads them. Recently, an Alpha group was started in one of the local prisons where lives are being changed as they study the Word together. We praise God for this church that not only knows that prayer is powerful, but they are a church that commits to praying regularly for God's hand to be over all they do. Bread of Life for the Nations Church continues to grow as more churches are being planted and kid's clubs are being started.



Alpha Bible class in a local prison



Inflation and bad weather conditions increase the need for food, especially to the disabled and needy.

Orality Institute

Currently, plans are being made by Orality Institute to send 4 or 5 missionaries from Uganda back to Malawi for 2-3 months to continue teaching the oral Bible story method. Already pastors from various African churches, along with prison chaplains, are using this method and finding it to be well received.







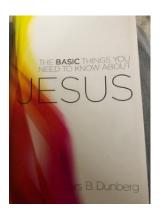
(Top left) - 4 Ugandan missionaries who were in Malawi to teach the Orality course with Pastor Kevin Olson.

(Top Right) - Pastor Kevin Olson with Rodrick Zalimba, Director of Prison Fellowship Malawi. Rodrick hosted the Chaplain training.

(Left) - Pastor Kevin Olson teaching at Iris Bible School

Serve Now

In early May about 100 pastors and prison chaplains gathered at City Pentecostal Church in Blantyre as Serve Now out of Colorado launched their Basic Series. This is a set of 30+ booklets that help people understand the essentials of the Christian faith. They train on discipleship and leadership and will return to Malawi every 3-4 months as more books are translated into Chichewa. We thank God for their willingness to partner with CFA's pastors, leaders and prison chaplains and for the translation team from Iris Bible College. This partnership is a blessing to all those who have so little in the way of Christian discipleship materials in their own language. Pray with us as new groups begin to meet that many will go deeper in their understanding of who Jesus is and become that "new creation in Christ."





Evangelism Outreach

Sam and his new wife Patricia continue to lead the kid's clubs for us in the Nsanje area. Sam's heart for God and for his people is reflected in all that he does. They meet weekly with local kids to feed them both physically and spiritually. Sam also brings hope to people in the local prison and his community through Alpha groups, Serve Now and soon Oral Bible story groups. We are so happy to welcome Patricia to our CFA family! Pray for this couple and for God to use them in mightier and mightier ways to impact His Kingdom.



Sam and Patricia



(above) Local Alpha Group

(below) Serve Now group with local pastors



Pray for the hundreds of children who attend this club



Kid's clubs leaders show up faithfully every week to help cook or lead a group



