

Joseph and Emmanuela Asong

# Missio Vibes



Dear Partner in Ministry,

Greetings from Lilongwe! We have lived through two winters this year. The first was in the U.S. during the first part of this year and now we are going through the second one in Malawi. But both are so different. Our friends in the U.S. must be enjoying the warm weather. In whichever season of life this finds you, we trust that it is well with your soul!

## HOME ASSIGNMENT

As missionaries from Cameroon, we are still searching for the best term to describe our visits with churches in the U.S. "Home Assignment" just about cut it during our last, fruitful trip from January to June. We had opportunity to see many relatives and friends from Cameroon and it was like being "at home" for a little bit. But our travels and visits with folks in Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and New York was equally as rewarding. We wish to thank all of them so deeply for their hospitality and support. We were glad to minister among them just as we so thankfully received refreshment from their tender loving care. The LORD bless you all greatly, from the West to the East Coasts. May He prosper your work with and for Him.

## RETURN TO MALAWI

As much as we enjoyed our stay and ministry in the States, it was good to return "home" to Lilongwe. It took us a while to settle in and get back into the rhythm of life here. That included about one week of going to bed about 2 am everyday and waking up around noon! Princess had only one week of class before exams, but the LORD helped her to do very well. She will proceed to the next class in September but has been catching up in vacation classes this August. Sammy Parker begins school this August!

## MINISTRY

We are glad to return to the ministries that the LORD has called us to. Emmanuela resumed her Cooking and Business classes with women in Lilongwe and that is going very well. Thanks dearly for your prayer support for the Kitchen and Restaurant that she is looking forward to developing. Hopefully, the LORD will supply soon, and she will be busy putting everything together. Joseph has been preaching in our Lilongwe churches. There has also been a lot of catching up with what is going on with leadership training. We remain committed to helping the Grace Church in Malawi train competent and godly leaders for our churches. We now have a new batch of students in our English Bible School in Lilongwe, as well as the first Chichewa class in Lilongwe! Our training efforts are bearing fruit. It was so encouraging to see our Malawian leaders spearhead the organization of a regional conference for the central zone this August. Several churches from the central zone converged in a village called Mauni over a weekend and several of us missionaries helped with the teaching. It was a wonderful time together. We also took the opportunity to share some clothing that a dear sister in New York makes for children in the mission field. Seven children who came to church went back home blessed, just because a sister living miles away thought of them and took several hours making special clothes for them. What a simple but awesome way to serve!

## PRAISE AND PRAYER

Please praise God for a great time in the States earlier this year. Praise the LORD for our safe return and successful readjustment to life in Malawi. Praise God for Princess' excellent results from school even though she missed two terms of classes. Praise the LORD for what the LORD has so far supplied for the Kitchen and Restaurant project. Kindly pray that full funds for the project will be realized. Please pray for Sammy Parker as he begins school this August. Ask the LORD for safety and good adjustment in a new environment. Please pray that the LORD will continue to use us and the missionary team here to help the Grace Church in Malawi train and equip godly and competent leaders. Please pray that the Genocide and Civil War in Cameroon will end and that a JUST PEACE will be found.

Thanks ever so dearly for your every support!

Serving with joy,  
Joseph, Emmanuela, Princess and Sammy Parker



# PICTURE COLLAGE OF THE ASONGS' MINISTRIES



Above left: GMI Board praying for Joseph and Emmanuela. Above center: Joseph teaching at the regional conference. Above right: Part of the regional conference in Mauni.

Below: Team organized by Rush Creek Bible Church for a visit to Mackinac Island. Right: Kids with the new clothes from a sister in Long Island, New York.



Above: Posing with folks at Berean Bible Institute in Wisconsin

Posing at Berean Church in Muskegon, MI



Left and right: Friends and family at Joseph's Grace Gospel Fellowship ordination. Below left, center, and right: Emmanuela's cooking classes.



Below left and center: the regional conference in Mauni. Below right: posing with missionaries and some members at Grace Community Church in Belmont, MI

