

TRANSFORMATION INSIGHTS

THE ASONGS IN MALAWI



SERVING WITH GMI

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DEAR PARTNER IN MINISTRY,

Greetings from Malawi! We trust that our LORD continues to take you deeper with Himself on this exciting journey of faith. We pray for you and deeply desire that you are well and prospering.

IT IS EXCITING—GOD IS CONSISTENTLY MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH US!

Not all seasons are the same. There are seasons when life and ministry feel dull, and the future looks bleak. We are sure you have been there before—times when the aches in our hearts and bodies scream so loudly that we can forget the great things God is still doing in and through us. Well, we are not in that season right now! While we are called to endure difficult seasons, we believe we are also called to enjoy those in which God's faithfulness and grace are demonstrated visibly and frequently—moments when we feel naturally thankful to be alive and in the service of the LORD, and chapters when we clearly see Him using us to make a difference in the lives of others.

We are in such a season, and we cherish every moment of it. And you know what? The LORD is using you to help make this possible! Your prayers, support, and partnership over the years are part of what enables this ministry to bear fruit. They mean the world to us, and it is our prayer that we will continue to walk this journey together. Thank you so much!

SO MUCH TO SHARE AND SO LITTLE SPACE!

Whether it is what the LORD has done and is doing, or what lies ahead, it is difficult to do justice to everything in one newsletter. Here is a summary. Joseph has been hard at work helping the Grace Church in Malawi—and the Grace Church in Zambia too, as he trains quality leaders to spearhead ministries and nurture thriving local churches! Highlights included his two-week trip to Zambia, three Bible School graduations in Malawi, a special pastors' wives training, and a memorable Pastors' Conference.

In Zambia, Joseph taught two one-week Bible School modules in Mufulira and Kapiri Mposhi. He also preached on all three Sundays he was there—at Mufulira Grace, Kapiri Mposhi Grace, and a friend's church in Lusaka, Lifeway Evangelical Church. In Malawi, the Bible School graduation in Lilongwe celebrated five final-year students. During the ceremony, we also commissioned seven new Malawian Bible School teachers. The other two graduations took place outside Lilongwe, where twenty-three Level 1 Bible School students graduated. At one location, villagers came out in large numbers to witness the first formal graduation ceremony ever held in their village. It became a wonderful evangelistic moment for Nsengere Grace.



**HOME ECONOMICS
TRAINING IN SOUTHERN
MALAWI**



**LEVEL 1 BIBLE SCHOOL
GRADUATION IN
SOUTHERN MALAWI**



**BIBLE SCHOOL MODULE
IN ZAMBIA**

The pastors' wives' training in February was also very well received, with thirty-nine wives of pastors attending. Emmanuela and fellow Grace Ministries International (GMI) team members, Brook Seekins and Sylvia Nyakambiri, taught alongside Grace Church pastor James Bandah. The program was so well received that the women and pastors keep asking us to hold another one. Unfortunately, ministries like this can be especially difficult to fund. Our annual Pastors' Conference was particularly memorable this year because we were saying farewell to Dr. Bill and Sue Vinton, fellow GMI missionaries who had labored with us for more than ten years and were retiring to the States. More than 40 pastors attended, and it was deeply moving to hear the warm words shared about the Vintons.

Emmanuela has also had a busy and productive year. She and her team have been working hard to expand the Grace School of Home Economics while training the current thirty-two students, who graduated on September 19. One significant highlight was opening a new training center in southern Malawi. Emmanuela traveled with four team members—with Joseph as their driver—and trained more than 200 women in four days. The Grace School of Home Economics continues to grow as an important women's empowerment ministry in Malawi. What began with a few areas of practical training has developed into several strong sections, including baking and cake decoration, pastries, food and nutrition, catering, fashion and design, cosmetology and hairstyling, arts and crafts, recycling projects, housekeeping, business studies, and spiritual emphasis. Our desire is not simply to train women, but to equip them with practical skills, confidence, spiritual encouragement, and opportunities that can lead to employment, self-employment, and sustainable small businesses.

HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO ENGAGE

Please continue to pray with and for us. We are not simply following tradition when we request your prayer support. We are big believers in a God who answers the prayers of His children. Faithful prayer is a tremendous investment in missions! Secondly, if you already support us monthly, please continue. Consistent monthly partnership gives us the dependable foundation needed to plan, train, travel, and respond to ministry opportunities as they arise. If you are not yet supporting us financially each month, please pray about joining what the LORD is doing here in Malawi.

Finally, look out for our Malawi projects in this year's edition of GMI's Christmas Catalog. Several exciting projects from Malawi will be featured there.

Thank you so much for praying, giving, and standing with us in this ministry!

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