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GRACE MINISTRIES AROUND THE WORLD

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• **Celebrating over four decades of service!** At the end of May, Bill and Sue Vinton left Malawi for the US, concluding a journey that started in 1983. They have touched the lives of thousands for Christ in Africa and around the world, as many of you have been a part of their ministry through your prayers and support. They served in the countries of Congo and Malawi, where Bill and Sue had been anchors. They have invested in GMI-affiliated churches, while providing leadership and wisdom for our GMI teams. The GMI ministry in Africa has expanded tremendously, in great part, because of the foundational work of the Vintons. We are thankful for their service to the Lord.



The Vintons

• **In Mexico,** the week of June 14, Comunidad Bíblica de la Gracia (Grace Bible Community) emphasized missions. Diego, a young college student who interned in a GMI-affiliated church in Costa Rica last year, preached that morning about God's heart for missions as demonstrated throughout the Bible. Later that week, thirty church members came out on a Tuesday night for a seminar about how to be a church engaged in missions. As this growing church of nearly 100 attendees in

the city of Mérida considers how it will send its own members to share the gospel around the world, it is also strategizing a next church plant in the Yucatan Peninsula.



The GMI Mexico Team

• **Burundi Grace Bible Institute** held another set of modules in the town of Gitenga in May. Nineteen students completed the two courses on salvation and Bible study. As has been the pattern, over two-thirds of the students came to know Christ as their Savior while studying the salvation course. It was their first time understanding the gospel as explained in God's Word.



Tom Sanchez with the BGBI Students

• **From Malawi,** GMI team members Joseph and Emmanuela Asong share about the most recent Bible school modules: "Praise the LORD for a safe journey for Joseph and a Bible school team who were away from Lilongwe for nine days in southern Malawi. They conducted two very successful Bible School graduation ceremonies with a total of 23 students graduating from their Level One training at Malawi Grace Bible School." These students are the current and next generation of leaders of the Grace Church in Malawi.

• **Bonaire-to-Aruba** is the transition that GMI team members Carlos and Denise Brunk are making this summer to start a church-planting ministry in this new field. The Brunks have planted churches in the Netherlands and Bonaire, while contributing to the establishment of others. Having already developed contacts in Aruba over the years, they are ready to hit the ground running. Carlos and Denise are grateful they have found a house and a vehicle for ministry in Aruba!



The Brunks enjoying fellowship with a family in Aruba

• **The Chirwas** are GMI's newest team members. Titu and Hlupe (Shoo-pe) are from Malawi and are serving with our GMI team there for up to a year as they grow acquainted

with missionary life and practice, while also surveying potential fields of service. In June, they traveled to Eswatini to survey the country and the work initiated by the Mwanamoya family. GMI team members Givemore and Sylvia Nyakambiri accompanied them on this trip.



The Chirwas and Nyakambiris in Eswatini with attendees of a local church plant

• **In Zambia,** GMI team member Edah Mwanamoya continues to faithfully serve the Lord. Each Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Edah ministers to women, children and youth. She travels to different cities in Zambia, working with GMI-affiliated churches in the central part of the country. Pray for Edah as she trains others and plans to expand this ministry to other regions of Zambia.



One of the Churches in Zambia



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