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Ministries of Brook Seekins
in Malawi

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Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

These past six months have been full of adventure and ministry! I am very thankful that in June the Lord supplied a newer car for me to use during all of these ministries. It has been a big help and a definite answer to prayer. Not only is it higher off the ground providing more clearance in rural situations, it also has more seats which helps with transporting young people to youth group each week. **Praise God for the new car!**

During July we were thankful for the Ministry Enhancement Team that came from Grace Ministries International in the US to do a team-building retreat with our GMI Malawi team. It was a time of learning, fellowship, and refreshment on the shore of Lake Malawi. **Thank the Lord for the retreat and refreshing getaway.**

We had another great year of Youth Conferences (Camps) in August. At our camps we studied the life of David with the theme, "A Man after God's Own Heart." I am thankful for the twelve men and women who were on our staff. We trained together at the end of June and then had a month to prepare before the school break in August. The conferences are a great opportunity to train future church leaders! Each morning we studied 1 Corinthians 15 during staff devotions.

In August, we held conferences in three different areas reaching ninety-two young people. The fourth region was under a leadership change and due to a misunderstanding, they canceled their week of conferences. Later the new leadership asked us to provide an event to encourage the young people in their area. At the end of November, some of our staff held a two-day event with eighty-nine young people touching on key points from our conference teachings. This gave them a taste of what to expect in future full conferences during the school holidays in August. During these four events, forty-two students received Christ as their Savior. **Praise God for these new believers and for great conferences. Please pray for the youth as they take what they've learned to heart.**

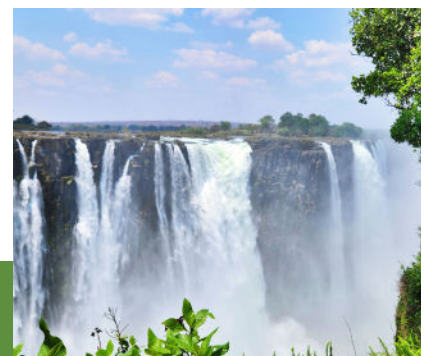
As we work with the Grace Church in Malawi's leadership, we participate in many meetings where we provide advice and help them learn to more effectively oversee the nearly forty churches and more than twenty church plants throughout the country. Decisions made at these meetings include determining which men are ready to lead a church, how to help church plants buy land for building churches



My new Toyota Fortuner!



GMI Malawi Team with our Guest Speakers.



Victoria Falls

of their own (instead of renting classrooms in local elementary schools), and helping them to put metal roofs on their new churches after they build the walls with bricks made by the congregation. It is always exciting to see church plants grow into fully ministering churches.

In the fall, I was part of a committee of leaders from around the country who worked on amending the current constitution for the Grace churches in Malawi. The work was slow and tedious but necessary. **Pray for the leadership of the churches here and for wisdom in all the decisions they must make.**

Each year I meet with youth directors from the various regions of the Grace Churches in Malawi. These men oversee training and accountability for everyone who teaches in the youth groups in the local churches. At the end of November, we gathered once again. It was great to refresh those who have been with us since 2019 and to train new leaders who just started in October! The more experienced youth directors always provide good advice for the new youth directors. After three full days of training, practice, and learning, they head home to plan their own regional training seminars for 2025. Training others in their regions is always an important outcome of our training as this is how we reach over one thousand youths throughout the churches and preaching points in Malawi. **Praise God for these men who are in Youth Leadership! Pray for them as they train youth teachers and leaders in the local churches.**

We provide simple Bible study booklets to the teachers to guide them in leading Bible studies with the youth as they work through the whole story of the Bible. Sometime next spring, the first youth groups will finish the third book in the series which will complete their study of the Old Testament. I have just finished the first draft of book number four of this series which begins our study of the New Testament with the Life of Christ (part 1). **Praise God for the completion of book 4! Please pray that it will help the youth understand God and His Word.**

In early December I will be heading back to the US for my home assignment. I will be visiting with many of you in the Midwest and East Coast for mission conferences during this time. **Please pray for safe travels, good visits with supporters, and a good time with family.**

Thanks so much for all your prayers and support.

Have a Merry Christmas as you celebrate our Savior's birth.

Brook

Please check out the GMI Christmas catalog at gracem.org for opportunities to give to different ministries around the world. Some of the projects that are close to my heart are **Youth Conferences in Malawi, Church Land, and Church Roofs projects.**



Our regional Youth Leaders with Guest teacher Pastor Dwayne Huff



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