



Dear Friends,

We are grateful to the Lord for His many blessings. We are all healthy and continue to soldier on with the mission to reach the Yao Muslim with the gospel of God's grace through farming, fishing, sports, education and skills empowerment.

We are excited to have a team of 12 men (seven Tanzanians, two Zambians and three Malawians) join us to be trained in reaching the Unreached People Groups (UPGs) for a period of three months. We are blessed to share the vision of mobilizing and empowering the Church in Africa to bring God's grace to the UPGs with our Grace Ministries International friends and co-workers, the Capraris (Tanzania) and the Mwanamoyas (Eswatini). The team of students had their first outreach at Lake Chirwa, joining our team of fishermen. Our team has, on many occasions, received threats of death, witchcraft and have been asked to leave the lake. One of the elderly men known as a "fishing expert" in the area approached the team and promised that if they sacrificed a relative they would have a big catch every day.

Having the team of students join at the lake was a great encouragement to our team of fishermen. Upon seeing the boats approaching the island, some people ran away thinking they were authorities from the ministry of fisheries, others were curious and wanted to know who the people really were. After three days of camping and sharing the gospel many requested that the team visit the island regularly and teach about Jesus. It takes many hours of paddling without an engine, but worth it. At the end of the outreach the elderly man (fishing expert) visited the camp and asked the team for prayers and received an audio Bible. Praise the Lord! **Pray: that the words he hears will bring light; for boldness and perseverance for the team.**

Since 2014, Jane has been working and mentoring the women leaders of the congregations of the Grace Church in Malawi. It's been a wonderful and encouraging journey! Their ability to lead women ministries in the church continues to grow; this is evident in the many initiatives and level of commitment displayed in planning and organizing their programs. In June this year, Jane worked

with the team to organize a women's zone conference for Machinga and Mangochi. Eighty women attended the zone conference and then 225 women participated at the national conference that took place in Mulanje in September. Praise the Lord! **Continue to pray for wisdom and grace for the women leaders in the Grace Churches in Malawi.**

Jane and Beatrice continue with ministry among the Yao Muslim women with the goal of seeing a community of Yao Muslim women become followers of Jesus Christ, transformed economically, socially and leading others to the saving grace of our Lord Jesus. We are empowering the women with skills that will bring out their God given abilities, realize their potential, value and worth in the community; becoming the agents of transformation. We are teaching the women how to sew, bake, cultivate vegetables and make compost to enable them to become self-sustainable, supporting their families and sending their children to school. With the gift that came in through the Christmas project last year, we have managed to begin the sewing program. We pur-



Girls and women baking

Sewing class in session

Girls sharing on the importance of education

Children enjoying porridge



Jimmy teaching the children

Chikondi sharing the gospel with a fisherman

Missions students outreach

Compost making

chased five sewing machines and a few supplies that will only take us up to the end of November. The sewing program started this year in September and will run for a year, after which the women will continue to work in groups and train others in the community. **Pray for: the provision of funds for the continuity of this ministry, wisdom and strength for Jane and Beatrice as they work with the women, the Lord to open the hearts of the women.** To support this ministry, visit gracem.org, click on the projects link and select “Malawi Ladies Sewing Class” from the dropdown menu.

We continue to empower the girls through education with the hope of them becoming better citizens and an inspiration to others in the community. The girls face different challenges; they walk long distances to attend school, arrive late or find lessons already in session. Studying from home is another challenge as they are given a lot of chores after school that affects their time of study. Studying in the evenings is also impossible because they do not have electricity in their homes. The com-

munity is still a threat to their education as the perpetrators of stealing their freedom hide within the lie of upholding their culture. Prostitution, early marriages and teen pregnancies are very high. We have seven girls in secondary school and 15 in primary school that we are supporting. We provide extra classes for the girls to help them study in groups and away from home before evening hours. This has helped the girls greatly improve in their academics. During weekends, we teach them how to bake and make crafts so they can make things for sale to help them with their upkeep. To support the ministry among Yao girls please go to gracem.org, click on the projects link and select “Malawi Yao Girl Education” from the dropdown menu.

The ministry among Yao Muslim children continues to grow. We are continuing with our monthly evangelism programs as well as the school. Our strategy is to provide quality Christian education and teach biblical values to the next generation that will be able to transform their communities. Salam Academy was started in October 2021 with a preschool

class. This year we have 65 children with 27 in the first grade. Through the education program we have connected with more women and families in the community; the children enjoy playing and working together in teams, they love to pray and recite memory verses!

Poverty is not only something we read about in newspaper reports. We see it in the lives of those we are reaching. We cannot meet all their needs but trust that as we reach them with spiritual needs God will continue to supply beyond what we can ask for so that even the physical needs of such people are met. This is a very difficult time of the year where people are living on boiled green mangos, there are a lot of malaria cases and many people are hungry. **Pray for God's grace and provision.**

Pray for a good rain season. The compost piles are ready, fields have been prepared and ready for planting. This year we had the privilege of training 54 people of which 15 were chiefs. Many who did not trust the benefits of compost and depended on government fertilizer subsidies have flocked to our base asking the team to help with compost making. We thank God for the opportunity to serve the community! For your support toward Farming God's way select “Farming God's Way in Malawi” from GMI's project page.

Thank you for your partnership and financial support as we trust the Lord for the harvest among the Yao people group.



Women's National Conference