



## *Dear Partners in the Work of the Lord in Malawi,*

We're glad to be back in Malawi after five months away! Our return journey to Malawi was challenging, with travel taking twenty-four hours longer than scheduled. We also experienced the inconvenience of two missing suitcases, which contained several donated laptops, and remained unaccounted for over four days. Despite these challenges, we praise the Lord for the miracle that we and ALL our belongings arrived safely! Due to unplanned medical procedures, we had to extend our stay in the US by a month, but we were grateful to have avoided the peak of the hot season in Malawi. The extra time also provided an opportunity to celebrate Christmas with our stateside family.

Sue was also grateful that the Lord called her father home to be with Him while she was in the States, and that she was with her dad when he passed. She felt especially blessed to spend the following weeks with her brother and sister and their families, reminiscing over memories of their dad together. In addition to that, Bill had the chance to spend quality time with his father and get to know his new wife, Margie. Finally, we praise the Lord that we were able to do some traveling and renew relationships with some of our family members, ministry partners, and supporting churches.

We've resumed our activities in Malawi with commitment and joy. After catching up on the events and decisions made during our absence, we're now actively planning for the upcoming year alongside our dedicated team. We look forward to continuing our mission of helping Malawian leaders to better understand, live, and clearly proclaim the message of God's grace, and are watching with anticipation to see what God will do.

Bill has written and taught two courses at the Bible school in English: "Leadership 2" and "The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit." Currently, he is focused on having these courses translated into Chichewa and preparing them for printing, with the goal of incorporating them into the Chichewa Bible school program. **Pray for Bill as he makes several five-day Bible school trips in the upcoming months.**



*Aaron, Stella, Sue, Christina,  
Liam, Bill, and Laura*



*Starting with Bill and going  
clockwise around the table—Bill, Sue, Emmanuela,  
Joseph, Brook, Sylvia, Give-  
more, Gloria, Brian, and Nina  
Abranovich. Not pictured—  
Titus & Kristy, Jack and Jane.*

Sue, along with her children's ministry team, is gearing up to launch a new weekly afternoon children's program at Grace Church in Chisiyo, not too far from town. Upon our return to Malawi, Sue was delighted to discover a new member of the church had already started working with the children. It's encouraging to see that God has moved in the heart of this woman, who is currently in her second year of studies at Malawi Grace Bible School, leading her to make this church her home and begin ministering there. The children's ministry team is eager to come alongside her, providing training and support for her and others who share her passion as they undertake this new children's program. **Pray that children will come to know the Lord and that families in the community will be drawn to Him as well.**

In addition to her role in the children's ministry, Sue is also serving as the treasurer for our GMI team. She's overseeing the writing of the annual reports mandated by the Malawian government to ensure our continued status as a non-profit organization in the country. **Pray for Sue as she serves the team in this way.**

### *More Prayer Requests:*

- Pray for Sue, Pastor Yamikani, and others as they seek to hold four Sunday school teacher training seminars this year. Pray especially that God would call trainees who will catch the vision and will be dedicated to completing their mission.
- Pray for Bill and the church leadership in Zimbabwe and Zambia as they once again collaborate to initiate new Bible school programs in their respective countries.
- Pray for Kondwani, the Malawian businessman who will lead the "Business Development Program for Malawian Pastors." May he be guided by wisdom and insight as he trains and empowers twenty pastors to create sustainable local income-generating resources.
- Pray for Bill and the Malawian leadership as they prepare for three days of pastoral and dispensational teaching and fellowship for 65 church leaders at this year's pastor's conference.

With genuine thanks for your partnership with us in the Lord's work,

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*Last year's pastor's conference promoted shared vision and purpose, mutual support and encouragement, and great camaraderie amongst the pastors, some of whom had never met.*



*As Brian, Gloria, and Nina Abranovich serve temporarily in Malawi, Sue enjoys our newest team member, Amelie.*



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