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Four months and 7,500 miles on the road without being stopped by police, no one asking to see our ID, and no flat tires! Yes, you've guessed correctly, we weren't in Malawi! We had a really good home assignment and were able to spend a lot of time with family all over the country. We also saw God working in people's lives as we were encouraged by gracious hosts and dedicated believers sacrificing time and money for the work of the gospel. We were encouraged as well by the many people who showed a desire to learn about God's work and how they could be involved in it here in Malawi.

It was great to return to Malawi and use the new children's building for our class in Mbewa village. Our team had been able to use it several times while we were in the U.S.,



Enjoying the new children's ministry building at Mbewa village

as it was finished in September. It's so nice to have space, protection from rain, and large windows that give us light and some breeze! Another blessing we're enjoying is a rechargeable-battery-operated projector with great sound so that we can show homemade Bible story filmstrips in Chichewa without a power source or separate sound system! It's amazing what they make these days! We are



Simple Bible filmstrips in Chichewa help the children learn

really enjoying this ministry and we believe that God is working in these children's lives to help them know Him. This village is in an area that is heavily steeped in animism, and we are so blessed to be able to share the gospel of God's grace with them. A women's Bible class meets on the same day with one or more ladies going with us (from Lilongwe) to teach them, and they usually have a large group as well.

Pastor Yamikani was able to visit some of our churches in the south and meet with the leaders and some of the people who have said they would like to be trained for children's ministry. Praise God we were able to provide a Bible for children's ministry in each of the churches Pastor Yamikani has visited, because some of the would-be teachers have said that not having a Bible is what's holding them back. But these volunteers need training so they can in turn teach this message of God's grace to the children where they live. Praise God with us that the needed funds to print the curriculum and accompanying pictures, along with the funds for travel, have come in, and we are working to get those materials into a final printable state. **Please continue praying for these seminars and our team of children's workers (Yamikani, Sela, and Blessings)—we need the people of God's choosing to respond to his Spirit moving in them to volunteer, because we need more people who will commit to doing the necessary preparation to teach children and make it fun.**

Our goal is to present the message of God's grace in various settings throughout Malawi as we train Malawian leaders and work together with them. Bill feels privileged to work with evangelist Kaline Courtesy who has a strong desire to do video and tract evangelism. On one of his last trips he mobilized several of the members of a small church to do door-to-door evangelism, and because of their efforts, God brought seven adults to a saving knowledge of Christ.



Happy church members who can now worship under a nice tin roof in rainy season



With GMI's help the Kaluwira church was able to get their roof up two weeks before the heavy rains came in December



This preaching point now has land and will soon begin building their church building

We are excited to see several of our preaching points develop into small churches where they now have their own land and are in the process of constructing buildings. We as GMI are happy to come alongside two or three churches each year by providing funds for their tin roofing.

We praise God as He gives us more opportunities to train more leaders with the message of God's grace. The year 2019 brought two Bible school graduations, and this year we plan to open new classes with more students to train. During the next two months most Malawians will be cultivating their fields. Therefore, we will begin our

weeklong trips to teach classes in the south and other areas in May. At this time we continue to teach classes here in Lilongwe to the second- and third-year students. Bill is motivated as he sees his second-year students enthusiastically learning how to "Rightly Divide the Word of Truth" as he teaches them a course on Acts (24 hours of teaching).

Bill is also preparing for two weeks of teaching in Zimbabwe where 12 students from Zimbabwe and Zambia will meet as they continue their training to be future Bible school teachers. **Pray for the students in the International Teacher Training program as they complete a course**

requirement of teaching a seminar on dispensational truth in their churches before May. Bill recently received news of one student in Zimbabwe who has taught the seminar to 50 church members for five Sundays and is overjoyed as he sees people grow in their understanding of rightly dividing the Word of God. Also pray as we need to find reasonably priced accommodations in Zimbabwe for the 12 students going there in May as part of this program.

Thanking God for you and your prayers on behalf of the Lord's work in Malawi,

Bill & Sue

Please note our new email addresses in the letterhead!

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