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about GMI!

● **Western Tanzania.** GMI missionary Mike Caraway praises the Lord, “for the special training led by Grace Community Development & Education (GCDE). HIV/AIDS support groups in two villages requested and received training in *Farming God’s Way* techniques, basic business skills, and improved animal keeping. In each case the participants also received Bibles and the message of God’s love and desire for them.”

● **In Mvela, Malawi,** GMI missionary Joseph Asong, along with four Malawian co-workers, successfully opened a new Chichewa Bible school center in April. Ten students and a handful of others attended classes (“Methods of Bible Study I” and “Practical Theology I”) at a village church two hours north of the capital, Lilongwe, which were designed to strengthen the two churches affiliated with GMI in the region. In addition to offering Bible courses, the team showed the Jesus Film in four villages where at least 1,200 people watched and an estimated 200 expressed their faith in Jesus Christ.

● **Grace Connection Church in Curacao** celebrated its 5th anniversary on April 8. Among the pastors and guests attending the event were GMI missionaries Carlos and Denise Brunk. Carlos spoke about the importance of incorporating capable men and women into the various ministries of the church. He also exhorted the church to persevere in the work of the Lord. Grace Connection Church was the second church planted on the island affiliated with GMI.

● **In Ciudad del Este, Paraguay,** on Easter Sunday, a Muslim couple from Lebanon attended services for the first time. While the missionary team in Paraguay is excited about their new guests, they also look forward to the first service on April 30 for Grace Bible Church in the building for which the team just recently signed a lease.

● **Camp Caribe, Puerto Rico,** was the site for Grace Bible Church’s (Juana Diaz) first missions conference. GMI missionaries Emiliano and Raquel Seravalli (Nicaragua), Lawrence



Grace Connection Church in Curacao celebrates their first 5 years



Pastor Fredrick demonstrating how to bud citrus trees as part of Ted’s agricultural training in the Rukwa Valley

and Barbara Trumbower (Puerto Rico), Harry and Kaylah Alicea (Puerto Rico), along with GMI Executive Director Jeremy Clark and his wife, Andrea, all shared during the week of meetings. The conference was designed to promote worldwide missions within its congregation and to encourage its members to support missions, pray for missionaries, and to strongly consider serving the Lord on the mission field. Pray that the Lord will raise up missionaries from this vibrant congregation.

● **Rukwa Valley, Tanzania.** Regarding the training GMI missionary Ted Rabenold is providing as he reaches Tanzanian farmers with the gospel he writes, “Praise for the first training seminar we ran at our Nsanga Agricultural Training Center. Daud Mbongo, head researcher on tree science at Uyole government AG school, came with a helper named Fredrick to do training in grafting and budding of fruit trees.”

● **Nicaragua.** GMI missionaries Emiliano and Raquel Seravalli are excited about the progress they have seen on the construction of the ministry center in the town of Nagarote.

Recently, they were able to put a roof on the first meeting building constructed on the property. They are grateful for teams who have come to Nicaragua to help with the building project and all of those who have given towards the construction. They still need teams to come and invest their time, labor, and resources in this project as they have ambitious plans to continue developing the property and grow the ministry in Nagarote and beyond. If you or your church is interested in a mission trip to Nicaragua, contact the GMI office (gmi@gracem.org, 616-241-5666).

● **In the region of Mwanza, Tanzania,** GMI missionaries Steve and Barb Sherman share about two new church plants. The Manawa church plant, started earlier this year, now has 15 members. The Nyangulugulu church plant now has 70 in attendance with three new families recently joining the church. Steve and his Tanzanian co-worker, Pastor Methodi, have been discipling a man named Samweli to eventually become the pastor of this church.



First meeting building on the property in Nagarote, Nicaragua