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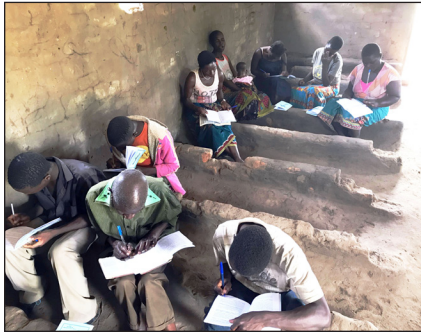
● **Returning to the Netherlands,** GMI missionary Carlos Brunk visited with three pastors and churches affiliated with GMI, including Almere Bible Church which he planted and pastored before moving to Bonaire six years ago. For Carlos, one of the highlights was preaching at Almere Bible Church, currently pastored by Marshall Look, where several in attendance turned back to the Lord in response to Carlos's challenge.

● **Visiting Zimbabwe,** GMI missionaries Bill Vinton and Givemore Nyakambiri taught and preached in five different churches, including the church Givemore pastored before moving to Malawi. Bill and Givemore, over the long Easter weekend, were able to deepen the understanding of God's Word for the people in attendance and provide encouragement to pastors and leaders while also discussing their desire to work more closely with GMI. Bill observed, "We saw a hungering for the Word of God and we realized that many of these people have a very shallow understanding of" God's grace.

● **Matagalpa, Nicaragua,** is the home of GMI missionaries Brett and Debby Chap-



Brett Chapman teaching at a pastors' conference



Attendees of a seminar at a church in Balaka, Malawi, where Givemore Nyakambiri visited

man where Brett is offering classes in the Bible institute he started on "How to Study the Bible" and the "Christian Life." In addition to this, on April 7, Brett shared lessons on methodologies for studying the Bible with pastors who came from all over Nicaragua to Matagalpa for training. Some traveled more than six hours to attend the conference.

● **Paraguay.** GMI missionaries Jerry and Sandi Bomers provide an update about the church and ministry in the city of Ciudad del Este: "We have had some excellent moments in ministry over the past month as we just finished our first segment of the men's Bible study and a women's Bible study started up two weeks ago in our home. We can already see how God has been using these studies to develop relationships on a more personal level. We've had close to 100 people coming to the church at least one time per month now. We would love to see the consistency increase as these numbers are right around 35 adults, but this is a huge praise. In the last month we've had three new couples consistently attending. We will celebrate



Pastor James preaching in Mbewa

our one-year anniversary as a church in just two weeks."

● **In Puerto Rico,** regarding their radio ministry, GMI missionaries Lawrence and Barbara Trumbower share that, "WCGB continues on the air at 1000 watts for 13 hours daily, and listeners have responded even financially as well as they are able." They are thankful to recently have a high-capacity generator placed back on the property to provide additional power to the station. They continue to pray power will be restored to the rest of the island including Camp Caribe where the Trumbowers live and where WCGB is located.

● **An hour from Lilongwe, Malawi,** 40 people waited under a large tree for Pastor James on his first visit to the village of Mbewa. Over Easter weekend four churches in Lilongwe affiliated with GMI in Malawi joined their efforts to take a ministry trip to this same village where many people professed their faith in Christ. Mbewa, which means "mouse" in Chichewa and holds to many traditional beliefs, is where a church member of one of the Lilongwe churches grew up.

● **Also in Malawi.** Over the weekend of April 12-15 GMI missionary Givemore Nyakambiri,

along with a couple of Malawian pastors, visited a GMI-affiliated church in the village of Balaka. Givemore reports that, "Twenty-one adults surrendered their lives to God," and that members of the church committed themselves to the life of the church and the direction of the church's leadership.

● **On the island of Bonaire,** GMI missionaries Carlos and Denise Brunk expanded their radio broadcast from once a week to a daily format starting in March. They thank God that a door has opened for them to "share Christ to the nation on a regular basis during the week from Monday to Friday mornings for an hour from 6:00-7:00 a.m." As they recount the origin of this new format Carlos and Denise share that, "The radio manager of this secular radio station asked Denise and me if we want to broadcast during the week instead of on Sunday morning, which we have been doing already for about three years."

● **In Mwanza, Tanzania,** during the Easter conference in Mwankuba, the church building collapsed injuring a number of people. Instead of cancelling services, this young church set up tarps for shade and continued preaching the gospel resulting in 38 people coming to know Jesus Christ as their Savior.



Carlos Brunk (center) with the radio team in Bonaire