



## April 2013 Newsletter

Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of *our* God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, *and* to keep oneself unstained by the world. James 1:27

Greetings From Great Commission Missions

It has now been about three months since the last newsletter and we would like to give you an update on the ministry in Malawi.

Rainy season is coming to an end in Malawi. Our hope is that there will be a good harvest after the rains. The reports we have received are a mixed bag. Some areas received too much rain resulting in floods and crops were washed away while other areas received very little rain. We are still waiting on final reports regarding the areas where Great Commission Missions Feeding Centers are located. Our prayer is that all is good for the harvesting and purchasing of food. Prices are very high due to the devaluation of their money. If they have a poor harvest, prices will go even higher and it will be hard to find food to purchase.



Please be in prayer with us concerning a new teacher for the Misi Village Feeding Center. Our teacher, Chikondi, and her baby daughter, Rolla Eva, have moved to Blantyre to be with husband and father Phillip. He is a Police Officer stationed in Blantyre. It is always good for a family to be together. Our volunteers are currently filling the spot.



During our trip to Malawi in October 2012, we purchased treadle sewing machines for each of the feeding centers. The primary purpose of the sewing machines is to help make school uniforms for the children attending the feeding centers. This is a long and tedious task. About 250 uniforms at each center need to be sewn. The kids cannot attend school without a uniform. This is a work in progress. The machines are also used for mending existing uniforms, clothes and other needs as they arise.

There are a couple of issues we need your prayer and support on if God should lead you

to do so. One is blankets for the children. Most of the kids sleep on dirt floors with old and tattered blankets or no covers at all. It has been five years since blankets were provided by GCM and the need is great.

The other current need is funding for the physical structures at the centers. A new structure is needed at Zindo Tsala Village. The old structure is falling down. Land has been provided by the Village Chief and we are ready to begin the work.

Kasipa Village has a structure that is very small. This feeding center needs to be doubled if not tripled in size . During the rainy season at both Kasipa and Zindo Tsala the kids often eat in the rain and mud due to inadequate facilities. The Village Chief at Kasipa has also donated property to GCM for the purpose of feeding and teaching the children in that area about Jesus. You can see in this picture that we need more space and many repairs.



Misi Village is currently located in a large facility in need of many repairs, but a good place to be. This building and land does not belong to GCM. We are currently looking and praying for a piece of property we can call our own. Please pray with us in this matter. Should we make major repairs on someone else's property or move the feeding center to a location where we can build our own facility?

Each of these facilities will cost approximately \$2000.00.

The work of Great Commission Missions Inc. started on Good Friday 2006. This is truly the work of God. None of us could have pulled this off without divine guidance.

God Bless You All For Your Continued Support And Prayers.

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