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# Chimala Mission, Hospital, and Schools

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## Chimala Mission Evangelism Update

The Lord is doing some great things in southern Tanzania! We have some dedicated men preaching the Gospel in parts all over Tanzania trying to reach a lost and dying world. The time is now to do what we can, as much as we can, while we can.

One of the ways that we are sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ is by our **radio program** efforts. Each month, we are asked to come and preach in new villages because of the word being preached on the radio. We are doing what we can with the limited funds for both the program and evangelistic follow-up but we could use your help!

One of the great blessings of preaching the Gospel is when churches continue to grow. However, when these churches grow, they need a suitable building for them to worship in. At Chimala, we have a program where we partner with congregations to help them with their building needs. The congregation is responsible to build most of the building and the mission helps with the **church's roof**. We have three requests before us at this time and the time is short! The El-Nino rains will come early this year and if there is no roof on their building, the mud bricks will melt away. The growing congregations need your help! Help us beat the rains with a donation toward a church roof. These three churches need a total of **\$4,000** to help them with a roof. If we do not help, their building will be a loss.

Wouldn't it be great to be able to **teach the New Testament Gospel in public schools** today? Well, we can do that in Tanzania. Secondary Schools all over our area are *inviting* members of our team to come and teach the Bible in their public Secondary Schools. There are so many requests now that we need additional help in regard to transportation. The team is asking for **three bicycles at \$125 each**. These will enable them to reach more schools to teach the Bible.

There are some great men who are continuing to preach the Gospel here at Chimala and all over southern Tanzania – all of it to the Glory of God. Please consider some of these requests to help us in our evangelism efforts. CHAD WAGNER



Picture of the "Brick Kennel" at Itumpi.

*This is where we recently had 44 Baptisms in just 5 days during the Gospel Chariot Campaigns.*

*They now need a larger building. They are currently building the structure. Please help this congregation and others get the roofs they need.*

## Cheryl's Corner

Mobile clinics serve many purposes in our healthcare evangelism work. They provide much needed care to people in their own village without them having to come to the hospital. For some, the cost of transport is more than they have. We also use the clinic as a tool to teach about God and His plan for salvation using WBS (World Bible School) tracts. About once a quarter, a one-day seminar is held at the clinic site (which is usually the local church of Christ). In the one clinic we have where we do not use the local church, it was because there was no church of Christ in this area....but now there is! Praise the Lord!

Another important purpose of the mobile clinics is to teach about giving to others and showing how to minister to those in need. We model servanthood to those around us. When we go on a mobile clinic, all the participants are Tanzanians except me and Rene. We teach those who go with us how to take vital signs and report abnormal to us; how to perform simple lab tests; how to register the patients and keep records; and how to give of themselves to help others. John and Eliko are two young men who accompany us to every clinic. They are being taught by watching and



John instructing client on how to take medications!



Mission staff children modeling clothes donated by some of you!

were so happy and thankful. We then took the remaining items (which still filled 2 totes) to the hospital where all the items were distributed to patients, patients' children and working staffs' children. Thank you to all who gave clothing and shoes for gifts. You helped many who were in need.

**Personal note:** I am sure most of you already know that I took a bad fall at the end of September. I traveled to Kenya for surgery and am now recovering very well. Thank you for all the support and prayers. I pray the Lord will physically put me back to work quickly. As for now, I am continuing to stay in touch with the hospital daily by phone and e-mail. The administrative staffs are really stepping up. Next month I will inform you of many more improvements which are being made, so stay tuned!

doing. On occasion, I have had a conflict with a clinic date. There are very few things which I deem more important than clinic, but it has occurred a couple of times. On those occasions, I was able to send an off-duty nurse from the hospital with them. They were able to show the nurse what I do and perform clinic without me! That is the goal...to show, teach and then let them do. Here is a picture of John instructing one of our clients how to take her medications.

Another outreach which was performed in September was to gift many children with some new clothes. Many supporters of Chimala have sent us clothes and sandals to give to children in need. One Saturday, Mary Ferguson, Mama Betty (one of the ladies from the mission church) and I took 4 totes full of items to give out to the children. We did this as a surprise to the mission staff children. Many times, we give items to the children in the villages and at the hospital, but as long as I have been here we have never done so to the staff children. It was great! They

## Update on Cheryl

When Cheryl wrote the article on the previous page she was still staying at an apartment next to the Kijabe Hospital near Nairobi, Kenya. On November 3rd she was released to travel back to the mission. Cheryl and Katy Thompson arrived back on November 5th. Katy is a RN that is considering joining our Chimala team. She volunteered to go to Nairobi to help Cheryl with her recovery.

During the first week of December, Cheryl will be going back to Kijabe for another recheck. Hopefully she will be released to fly back to the states. Please keep Cheryl in your prayers as she continues her recovery and rehab.

## Great News at the Primary School

Each year, every 7<sup>th</sup> grade primary school student in Tanzania is required to take an end-of-year exam. During our recent Standard 7 test, our students shined! We finished the year being the #2 school in our district and #11 in our region. Thanks be to God for giving us these good students and teachers to help our school.

Due to these good results, the number of new students enrolling at our primary school has jumped! We thank the Lord for all the good He is doing. Continue to pray for our school, the students and the teachers as we seek to serve those who need our help.

CHAD WAGNER

## Great Opportunities and Challenges for Chimala Bible Institute

In Chad's Article on the front page, he writes about some of the great things that are taking place around the mission concerning evangelism. In the last few months an opportunity has arose that could be one of greatest we have had in years. Some of our CBI teachers had the opportunity to travel to the northern part of the country to meet with some members of the church. We knew there had been some churches started in that area by other missionaries, but we had never been there. They went there because these churches were reporting they were having some difficulties dealing with their local governments. Our mission constitution which is based off of the New Testament, was being rejected by the local government. Our men were able to quickly explain how this works by explaining the New testament to the officials. The local members were amazed at Joseph's and Peter's Bible knowledge. They had another meeting after they finished with the government and quickly came to realize that they needed more knowledge. None of their preachers have formal Bible training.

The end result is we now have twenty two men that have asked to join CBI in 2016 from this one area of Tanzania. There are over one hundred churches in this part of the country. This is a great chance for us to be able to reach thousands of people with the Gospel.

**Here is the Challenge:** We already have seven men returning for their second year of school and five other men that have applied from our area. This means that we need funds to train 34 men next year. It will take \$3,400 a month to accomplish this goal. This is over two thousand dollars more than we have been receiving for the school. If you could support a preacher student for \$100 a month for two years, you will help possibly hundreds, if not thousands more hear the true Word of God.

I am asking that either some of you as individuals or your congregation give prayerful consideration in helping with this cause. CBI's motto is built on 2Timothy 2:2 "The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others". Bill Stinson