

Robert Gideon of the CFCM Committee writes:

Dear Brethren,

Glory be to God for His grace, which is always sufficient, even in these trying times of the COVID-19 pandemic. In everything, we need to give thanks to God.

We thank God for the growth of the ministry of CFCM in training others, which has greatly expanded over the years.

We read that **Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness** (Matthew 9:35). God expected those who have heard His message to relay the same to others. He still expects those who have embraced His message to be His mouth, feet and hands in propagating the Gospel message.

Paul told Timothy to entrust what he had heard to reliable people who will be qualified to teach others (2 Timothy 2:2). The process of teaching is not complete if what we have learned does not benefit others.

May the Lord make His face shine upon you as you teach the Word to others.

Amen!

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for the success of the CFCM Training of Trainers programme which has resulted in so many trainers across Malawi. Thank God that what they have learned is benefitting others.

- Thank God for the enthusiasm of the new trainers and their willingness to give their time freely to help CFCM. Pray that God will bless their own ministries in Sunday schools and Bible clubs.
- Pray that there will be effective communication between all the trainers, so that they really feel part of the team and support and encourage each other. Distance, poor electricity and phone network often make communication difficult. Pray for Elevate, Joseph and Lackson as they facilitate this.
- Continue to pray for the Little Lambs project, our proposed nursery school in Blantyre to raise income for our ministry. We are currently out looking for funds to establish the nursery school. Pray for God's will to be done.
- Schools reopened to all pupils in October. Pray that CFCM Bible clubs will soon be able to resume in primary schools.



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INTRODUCING MORE OF OUR TRAINERS

It is a joy to see the CFCM family growing as a result of our Training of Trainers programme. This started in 2015 with a one day training event in Blantyre, which was repeated in Lilongwe in 2016. After that we decided that training delivered over five days would be more effective, so we held Training of Trainers 2018 in Rumphi and Training of Trainers 2019 in Phalombe.

Everyone who has participated has now been assessed in a seminar situation and currently 22 people have received certificates. You will be hearing more about them in the future, so we thought we would introduce them all to you in this bulletin, so that you can put a face to the name!

PHALOMBE



L-R Chikumbutso Chipoya, Royson Chiwalo, Paul Gazen, Michael Namalenga

RUMPHI



L-R Boster Tembo, Karen Banda, Jacobz Kaluwa

LIWONDE



CHIKWEU



ZOMBA



L-R Maneno Mfungwe, Dula Linje, Witness Mbewe

BOLERO



MZUZU



L-R Rehema Chirwa, Blessings Kachale, Mr & Mrs Phiri

experience with CFCM to encourage other pastors to value the children's ministry in their churches.

The group from Rumphu in northern Malawi are among the latest to join our team of trainers. Here is some more information about them:

Pastor Boster Tembo has been promoting children's ministry in his church since 1999, when he felt God calling him to reach children with the Gospel. Boster said, "I have witnessed God's saving power doing miracles in the lives of children. At the age of six, children are able to believe and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Some of them are now committed preachers and teachers of the Word of God and others hold different leadership positions in the church." Although he has been working with children for many years, the training Boster has received from CFCM since our first visit to Rumphu in 2016 has greatly helped him.

Karen Banda runs a Bible club that has been successful in reaching children who have never previously been to Sunday school or Bible club. "I am happy that I am fishing children!" Her CFCM training has also brought joy to her family. Her children are all believers, but her husband was not interested and used to drink heavily. "I started teaching him about Jesus using the Wordless Book. Now he has given up beer and comes to church instead. We are a happy family!"

Pastor Jacobz Kaluwa sums up his joy at being involved in the work of CFCM: "My thanks to the lovely CFCM for honouring me with their trainings up to graduation on 22nd May 2020. To our mighty God Jehovah be glory forever. I am proud to be part of this ministry. Amen!"

MCHINJI



L-R Simeon Senifala, Yamikani Saka (also pictured with his family on the front cover), Samson Kapangalika, Charity Chirwa

NKHATA BAY

KARONGA



MZIMBA



L-R Fides Ng'ambi, Brenda Kachimera, Elness Mphalo, Martha Sichalwe

If you regularly read our bulletin or monthly prayer letters, some of these names will be familiar to you. We have included testimonies from Maneno, Witness, Samson, Michael and Dula in previous bulletins. Many have already helped with CFCM seminars and the Easter five day club.

These men and women represent many different church denominations where they are actively involved in Sunday school and teacher training. Several also run Bible clubs in their community. Simeon and Yamikani are systematically working through the primary schools in their area of Mchinji, establishing Bible clubs. Paul, Fides and Elness are all school teachers. Paul has established a Bible club in his school. Witness, Maneno and Samson also work with children in their day jobs and find that their CFCM training helps them a great deal. Boster, Jacobz and Martha are pastors, using their