

## In Prayer

February - April 2020

“...God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.” Romans 5: 5.

**p** means please pray... **t** means give thanks...

### Children for Christ Ministry (CFCM)

Elevate Mzinga, Joseph Jeke, Lackson Makawa

- 1 Sa t** over 400 Sunday school teachers were trained by CFCM in 2019.
- 2 Su p** for CFCM’s plan to carry out two Sunday school training seminars each month in 2020, utilising their new volunteer trainers.
- 3 Mo p** for increased awareness and action against child abuse following the introduction of safeguarding training in CFCM’s seminars.



A CFCM Bible club in progress .

- 4 Tu p** for the team as they prepare for their Easter Holiday Bible Club and seminar at Muona.
- 5 We t** CFCM are training EBCoM students and their wives in children’s ministry.
- 6 Th p** for energy and safety for the team as they travel great distances.

### April

- 17 Fr p** at the time of going to print the rains were looking reasonably positive for a good harvest.
- 18 Sa t** for the excellent relationships that the field team have with our partners.
- 19 Su p** the Malawi team, as they seek input from our partners about various aspects of **zm’s** work. This will inform the mission’s strategic plan.
- 20 Mo t** in 2019, **zm** was able to distribute 2,950 subsidised Bibles in Chichewa and Tumbuka.
- 21 Tu p** for **zm’s** plans to distribute 4,000 Bibles in 2020.

### zambesi mission (zm) in the UK

Mike Beresford (Mission Director), Trevor Matthews (Chair of Trustees and Executive Committee).

- 22 We p zm** as we continue to work on our strategic plan: this will be ongoing until the summer.
- 23 Th t** for reps Carol, Ruth, Philip and Mike as they promote the work of **zm** in their areas.
- 24 Fr p** for God to raise up new representatives - they are badly needed in several parts of the UK.
- 25 Sa t** the commitment of **zm’s** Exec and trustees.
- 26 Su p** for Charlotte, Ritchie and Jackie, regularly balancing their work load in **zm’s** office in York.
- 27 Mo t** for the wide supporter base that **zm** has, and all the prayers they offer to the Lord.
- 28 Tu t** the remarkable generosity of the mission’s supporters and the impact this has in Africa.
- 29 We p** for Mike Beresford, Mission Director, as he studies on a part-time basis for a theology degree.
- 30 Th p** for **zm** to improve the way in which we engage with younger supporters.  
*EBCoM Council meeting and AGM today.*

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### April

#### Fellowship of Youth (FoY) in Mozambique

Francisco Fanuel Khumayo - Coordinator.

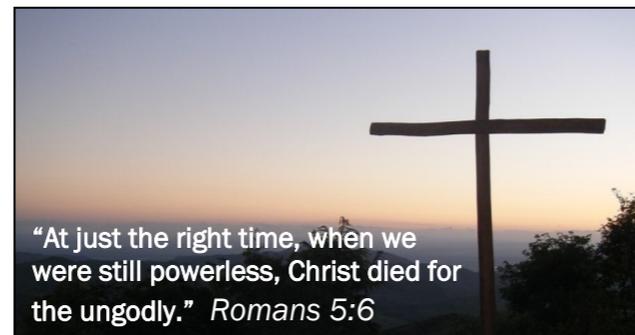
- 6 Mo p** for the Lord to guide Francisco Fanuel Khumayo and give him wisdom in his new role.
- 7 Tu p** that plans to develop a national teaching programme in FoY Mozambique would come to fruition.

#### ZEC Mozambique Regional Superintendents and Churchplanting

Regional Superintendents: Ps Jamieson Midiasi - West; Ps Joachim Lihama - East.

- 8 We p** for the two new superintendents, neither of them has held office before.
- 9 Th p** for the superintendents as they travel to visit the churches in their regions. In the east, the roads are very poor; in the west, churches are far apart, taking five hours to drive from end to end.

#### 10, 11, 12 April - Easter weekend



#### Chiyanjano (Women’s Fellowship) in Mozambique

Odetta Joao - Coordinator.

- 13 Mo t** for the appointment of Odetta Joao as the new Chiyanjano Coordinator. She graduated from EBCoM last July.
- 14 Tu p** the Chiyanjano leaders as they teach others to read, know and understand Bible truths.

#### zambesi mission (zm) in Malawi

Simon Chikwana (Field Director), Rose Chirwa (Projects Officer) and Mercy Carlos (Field Administrator)

- 15 We t** for the mission’s staff who maintain our office and guesthouse and keep visitors safe.
- 16 Th p** for peace and stability in Malawi.

- 25 We t** for the open door to evangelism that exists in most parts of Malawi.

- 26 Th p** for good crops for church congregations, as harvest time approaches.

#### Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC), Malawi

##### Fellowship of Youth (FoY)

Willard Muwalo, Acting Coordinator

- 27 Fr p** for a new coordinator to be appointed.
- 28 Sa p** that those with responsibilities as local FoY leaders would show godliness and integrity.
- 29 Su t** for the exuberance and commitment of so many young believers in FoY groups in Malawi.
- 30 Mo p** that these young people would discern their gifts from God and how best to use them.

#### Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Mozambique

Chairman Joao Thupilifa and his deputy Benjamin Savanhenga; General Secretary Zakariya Bulawayo and his deputy David Waite; Treasurer Ernest Sakwiya.

- 31 Tu p** for the newly elected leadership of ZEC Mozambique, as they settle into their roles.

### April

- 1 We p** for political stability in Mozambique, following their national elections last year.
- 2 Th t** that each and every ZEC pastor has received emergency maize supplies from **zm**.
- 3 Fr t zm** have provided iron sheets for ZEC churches at Gonthi, Nthete and Madamba.



The partly constructed Nthete ZEC in October.

- 4 Sa t** for the congregation members who endure much, often walking miles to attend church.
- 5 Su p** for **zm’s** plans to make many more Bibles available to believers in Mozambique in 2020.

## February

### River of Life Evangelical Church (RoLEC)

Leader Ps Mvula Mvula

- 7 Fr t** **zm** helped RoLEC to rebuild two elderly widows' houses at Cape Maclear, after their homes were destroyed by violent winds.
- 8 Sa t** in December **zm** provided another 15 bicycles to help RoLEC pastors visit their church members.
- 9 Su p** a leadership training programme, run in partnership with J-Life, starts at Kasinje today.
- 10 Mo p** for those in RoLEC churches who will be struggling during the current 'hunger months'.
- 11 Tu p** for the witness, teaching and preaching of the six RoLEC churchplanters that **zm** is supporting.

### Evangelical Bible College of Malawi (EBCoM)

Principal, Pastor Robert Masikamu; Council Chairman, Pastor Willard Muwalo.

- 12 We t** for keeping all of the college's students and staff alive up to the New Year 2020.
- 13 Th p** the National Council of Higher Education (NCHE) require further developments to permit EBCoM to maintain its accreditation.
- 14 Fr p** EBCoM wish to construct a duplex house for income generation to support their running costs.
- 15 Sa t** the borehole (installed using a loan from **zm**) has dramatically reduced EBCoM's water bills.
- 16 Su t** for the safe arrival of a baby boy born in November last year for Principal Robert Masikamu.
- 17 Mo p** for staff and students to withstand the pressure of teaching and studying.



Pastor Robert Gideon teaching students on the certificate course at EBCoM.

## February

**18 Tu p** two of the married couples' houses were damaged by subsidence. **zm** is planning to fund their reconstruction in 2020.

### Zambezi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Malawi

Chairman, Pastor Chimwemwe Kanjiraway and his deputy, Pastor Joe Tsokalida; General Secretary, Pastor James Baisson Phiri and his deputy, Pastor Willard Muwalo.

- 19 We t** the Synod office conducted orientation training for new area leaders in January.
- 20 Th p** for the leadership to walk closely with God.
- 21 Fr t** the majority of ZEC pastors have now been successfully relocated to their new churches.
- 22 Sa t** for the selfless dedication that ZEC pastors demonstrate to their congregations.
- 23 Su p** Dyanyama ZEC and Njidza ZEC (a prayer house of Nsanje ZEC) had their roofs blown off by strong winds at the start of the rainy season.



Dyanyama ZEC without its roof.

- 24 Mo p** for safety and protection for believers, both in their churches and their homes.
- 25 Tu p** for completion of the new pastor's house at Nanlaku ZEC, after Pastor Kamwendo's home was destroyed in the March 2019 storms.
- 26 We t** for other missions working alongside **zm**: Aquaid Lifeline gave funds to provide maize to ZEC pastors during the current hunger months.
- 27 Th t** German mission To All Nations is working with ZEC on grassroots discipleship training.
- 28 Fr t** a new churchplanter training initiative, based at ZEC's headquarters in Mitsidi, is being supported by US mission New Fields Ministries.

**29 Sa t** for ZEC's new student organisation (ZEC SO). They are working on a discipleship training programme with 140 university students.

### ZEC Orphan Daycare Centres (ODCs)

At Chifunga, Nthorowa and Ntonda

## March

- 1 Su t** that the children who attend the ODCs receive a nutritious meal, often their only one in the day.
- 2 Mo p** for the ODC administrators, that they should be shrewd in their day to day management at each centre.
- 3 Tu t** the maize mill project at Nthorowa is now up and running. **p** for its successful operation.



Installation of the maize 'sheller' at Nthorowa.

- 4 We t** the contract has at last been agreed with national electricity supplier ESCOM for the new transformer required for Chifunga's maize mill.
- 5 Th p** development of a viable income generating project to support Ntonda ODC.
- 6 Fr p** for those children from the ODCs who were not awarded a place at secondary school, despite passing their exams.
- 7 Sa t** for the dedication and compassion of the volunteer helpers and teachers at each ODC.
- 8 Su p** for the carers of the ODC children, often a close relative, who take them in despite the cost.

### ZEC Health & Rural Development

Ntonda Rural Hospital, plus health centres at Matanda, Mitsidi, Muluma and Nthorowa.

**9 Mo p** for those in need of medical care: during the rainy season malaria is the biggest concern.

## March

- 10 Tu t** for ZEC's health centres - they provide invaluable care in remote rural areas. UK Executive Committee and Trustees meet today.
- 11 We t** for Catherine Muyande, Madalo Malinda and Khumbo Kaliya, the three women that **zm** helped to train as nurses at ZEC's health centres. UK Staff meet today.
- 12 Th p** for good availability of the range of drugs that are needed at ZEC's health centres.
- 13 Fr t** that the new maternity facility at Nthorowa, funded by the BEIT Trust, will soon be operational.
- 14 Sa p** that those living in rural areas would be receptive to the health education outreach programmes run by ZEC's health centres.
- 15 Su p** for completion of the much-needed guardian shelter at Muluma Health Centre.
- ZEC Chiyanjano (Women's Fellowship) in Malawi**  
Margaret Chodzi - Coordinator; Millie Jumbe - Chair
- 16 Mo p** Margaret and Millie as they support, teach and work with Chiyanjano groups across Malawi.
- 17 Tu p** for the national Chiyanjano elections being held later in the year.
- 18 We t** for the gospel witness shown in the lives of the Chiyanjano women in their communities.

### ZEC Regional Superintendents & Churchplanting

Isaac Mpanga - Upper and Lower Shire, Henry Muhiye - Eastern Malawi, Austin Njobvu - Central Malawi, Laston Musisi - South Lake Malawi, Samuel Chiyambeni - Northern Malawi.

- 19 Th p** for each superintendent as they balance the needs of the churches that they pastor, with their wider responsibilities across their regions.
- 20 Fr p** for the superintendents as they visit and encourage the ZEC pastors and congregations that they oversee.
- 21 Sa p** for their safety as they travel long distances on journeys that are often hazardous.
- 22 Su p** ZEC's initiative, supported by New Fields Ministries, to train 20 churchplanters each year.
- 23 Mo p** for the remaining two **zm** supported churchplanters in Malawi.
- 24 Tu t** for the hope that these churchplanters bring as they share the message of Jesus.