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**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!**  
**MALAWI Needs A 3-TON Truck**



Ever since God opened the door for us to establish CTC programs in China, we have had a side ministry involving constructing buildings. I first embraced this in China because it was a means to an end. We were allowed to share the gospel in rural mountainous areas of China where they had never heard before in exchange for our financial help in erecting school buildings. We helped local officials build five or six schools and a dormitory or two in exchange for shar-



ing the gospel with several additional villages, doing so with teams from sponsoring churches in the USA. It was unheard of at the time. Many long-term missionaries in China could not believe that we were openly shar-

ing the gospel, but we did and to God be the glory!

The next building in 2004 was our present CTC facility in the city of Cabadbaran on the island of Mindanao in the Philippine islands. After that, I declared I would not build another stand-alone CTC building as it seemed to me that investing in students would yield a better return. We have tried to find churches that are basically empty during most daylight hours of the week, a practice we have stuck to all these years. That way, CTC is more mobile than stationary. However, there have been instances prior to the great work that is now taking place in Malawi, Africa, where we have helped graduates who pioneered churches have a building for their congregations. In every situation that I am aware of, the congregations have grown as a result! In some cases, we have used the buildings for CTC locations as well.



In 2016, God spoke to me about building the church that I affectionately call **"The Peanut Church."** This

church was built in a peanut field for a group of former Muslims who had suffered persecution for their new faith in Christ and had relocated to an area that was more open to the gospel. They literal-



ly had only a shanty form of a building made of sticks and grass. I was invited to come and teach for a couple of hours and afterward as I was carefully walking across the peanut field, I was thinking with the Lord how strange it was that they did not ask me for anything. Instead, they were very grateful that I came and spoke. The Lord impressed upon me to build them a building and I immediately agreed. I had the privilege of dedicating that church and preaching the gospel, seeing many come to faith. Everyone in attendance, young and old, even the Muslim elders, wanted me to lay hands on them and pray in the name of Jesus before I could leave the service. It was another God time that I will never forget.

A few months later, God spoke to my heart to build nine churches: three in Malawi, one in Mozambique, and five in the Philippines. Knowing it would take about **\$10,000 per church**, I was overwhelmed as I had not raised that amount of money before nor taken upon that size of a project on top of the growing CTC program which was more than I ever expected to be doing. I am still in over my head with CTC and thank the Lord for the many good directors we have around the world. God proved Himself more than able to meet the need and we saw miracles of provision, often through people I did not know very well! In prayer, I released God to bring forth the finances, and He did! God, knew who had ears to hear and would obey! We did the three churches in Malawi and are helping Pastor Samuel in Mozambique get his huge building and growing congregation under roof. We also accomplished three renovations in the Philippines and built three buildings, totaling ten churches in all. Even with all this building activity, the CTC program has continued to grow and expand graduating student number 4001 in last month's newsletter!



Recently, we have helped finish a couple of buildings for our graduates in Malawi and have two under construction and five more waiting to be built. I see no end to this process as our CTC graduates in Malawi are going into areas that have had little to no exposure to the gospel and pioneering congregations in very poor areas. Providing them a facility that can serve many uses for a community gives the gospel a platform to make a difference in people's lives. Although my calling is training pastors, I have tried to embrace what I see God doing in the area of constructing church buildings. All-the-while keeping the training of Pastors and workers as the main focus of our ministry.

A couple of years ago, I came to you asking for support to purchase a 4-wheel drive pickup truck for Stephen Tambuli, our CTC director and overseer of the church building program. Stephen travels into remote areas and simply could not do it in a car. The dirt roads are often washed out and flooded and virtually impassable without 4-wheel drive. That truck still serves us well but has been asked to do what even it was not made to do, forcing us to make several repairs.



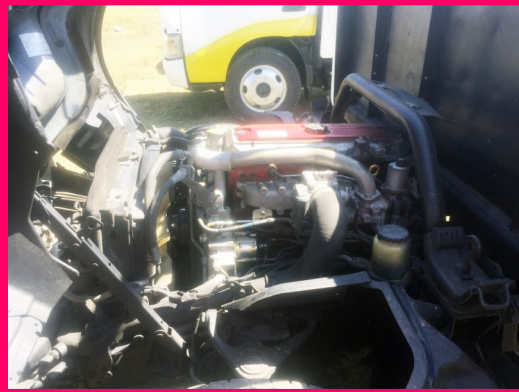
Recently, as Stephen was carrying poles to a re-



mote location, the police stopped and ticketed him for overloading, something he does again and again with each new church building we build. The locations where we buy the materials do not deliver and the cost for a delivery company to do so to such remote areas makes purchasing

our own vehicle a better choice.

The solution is that we buy a 3-ton truck designed for the work we need it to do. A used one in good condi-



tion costs about **\$16,000 USD**. Stephen has found the one pictured here, a Japanese made 2014 Hino with just under 75,000 miles. This truck comes with a



one-year warranty, has been inspected, and has a good service record. It would enable Stephen to do the work we need him to do more safely and legally. Stephen carries a C1 coded driver's license which qualifies him to drive anything up to and including a 3-ton truck with load.

We are asking you to prayerfully consider helping us secure this truck for the work of the ministry. Perhaps you received "government stimulus" money that you did not need and could put to use in God's Kingdom. Or maybe God has blessed you to be a blessing to His work. This is definitely an opportunity to be a blessing to many and to make a difference that will echo throughout eternity. Thank you again for your faithfulness and sacrifice to help us keep moving forward in all that God has for us to accomplish to His glory. Just mark your gift **"TRUCK"** and **100%** of your gift will go for that purpose. Please keep us in your prayers as June and July have been low in our personal support. **TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

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