

INDIGENOUS TRAINING MINISTRIES, INC. REVC'S NEWS & VIEWS by RevC October 2021 TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!! WE BUILD THEY GROW



MALAWI CHURCH GROWTH UPDATE We have been privileged to help build churches throughout the African country of Malawi! The following report is an update from Stephen Tambuli, one of our two CTC directors there (some photos are not current). All these churches are in rural areas and are the only evangelical gospel preaching churches for miles around. Four of these churches also serve as CTC locations: Pastor Moses Chitkuta in Dedza is our other CTC director with his wife Grace.



I have known them for several years and felt that God had something special

that He wanted to do through them. When we first met, his church was less than half the size of the one pictured here with only a pole structure holding up a sheet metal roof. There were shoulder high walls made of wooden slats around the outside holding the roof supports in place and open air the rest of the way to the roof. Even then he had nearly 100 people in attendance. Since we built this building, his congregation has more than doubled with as many as **217** in

attendance.

Pastor Madaltso Geofry is a CTC graduate who planted a church in Jali village. Once the church was up and roofed, the congregation quickly



grew to 71 members and continues to grow.

Pastor Stanley Waluma was the missionary who invited me to come and share the gospel on two occa-

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sions with a group of Muslims, many of whom came to faith in Christ. We helped him with a beautiful building and the church now has 83 registered members.

This next facility came about when Stephen was looking for a church in the Chiradzulo district that would let us use its building for CTC. In that area, he met **Pastor**



Dennis Chaima who had only a hut for a church that was destroyed by a rainstorm. In conversation with Stephen, Pastor Chaima indicated that he, along

with several others, would want to attend CTC. We helped him build a steel structure with walls to go up asap. He now has **over 100** members, several of whom signed up to take CTC classes.



This next church is **Pastor Moses Diva** who has been very effective in reaching Muslims in the Balaka district.

They managed to build a church out of mud brick but could not afford a sheet metal roof. Instead, they used thatch which was not rainstorm proof and was temporary at best. We decided to help



them with a good sheet metal roof. When Stephen went to preach, there were 119 in attendance! Most of those who attended were former Muslims who had converted to faith in Jesus Christ.

Next is **Pastor Fran**cis Ntotela, a CTC grad who also serves as our CTC coordinator for the Zomba area. After graduating, Pastor Francis began a church plant with 8 people and now has 53 attending in Jali which covers a large area. They have also opened a satellite church with another 24 in attendance.





about **30** people at the start. We provided the funds to add a sheet metal roof and it has grown to 150 people.

Finally, our very first church build-

ing was what I affectionately refer to as "The Peanut Church" as it was built in a peanut field. Pastor Keyson

Akutenga is the current pastor; please keep all of these men in your pravers. When I first came in con-



tact with this small group of former Muslims was to teach them something



Our next church location, pastored by CTC grad Willy Maluwa, is one of the more memorable churches for me as the drive to get there was one of the worst experiences! The difficult way (it is not fair to call them

roads) took us over three mountain ranges. The return trip was equally dangerous as we travelled at night and the roads were washed out and slick from recent rains. Then as we re-entered Blantyre, our truck broke down right in front of a Muslim mosque! I can remember standing in the field where this church now sits and seeing the big tree at the far end, thinking how marvelous is our God that He would want there to be a church in this remote location so these people could know He loves them.

We got involved with Pastor Masa Musano, a CTC grad, because his partially built facility serves as a CTC location. Pastor Musano planted this church with







would have on my life and ministry. It is largely because of what God did that day and the new building dedication service that came nearly two years

later that we are building churches across Malawi today.

I pray that you can see the multiplication effect that having a suitable building can mean to our CTC graduates. Your investments are making a difference in the Kingdom of God. Thank you for standing with us! Know you are in my prayers and that we continue to move forward as God supplies through your financial investments and faithful prayers. Blessings!!!!!!!!! **TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

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