

## NEWS November 2017

### Dear Friends,

Malingunde has been very busy over the past weeks, with leaders travelling from Mozambique to attend a week's training in how to run and teach Follow Me. The rains have started too, so people are busy preparing their land, ready to plant.

This month we highlight our FM (Follow Me) work, a series of leadership training courses. Many church leaders have no training or oversight, so FM is invaluable to see leaders equipped and supported. Thank you to Tom & Kat for overseeing the recent graduation of 60 leaders, each of them completing a year of study, representing over 15 different denominations. It is a privilege to be able to serve leaders from a variety of streams who want to learn together.

Michael *'For years I was gossiping a lot, believing it to be a good thing. In FM, we learnt that gossip brings trouble and breaks friendships. Now I am speaking truth as I want to protect the trust I have with my family and friends.'*

Emma *'I have been in marriage challenges for a few years. I would be very angry and unable to control my emotions. When I joined FM, we learnt about leaders and their family. I did not realise that I am serving every person in my family. I prioritised us to have more time to talk and listen to each other. My family is much more settled, my husband and I have found peace, so I am a happy woman, thank you!'*

Theresa *'We have been studying the book of Daniel in FM, seeing how he and his friends stood firm. It has really helped me, as I felt encouraged in my own life, when I am pressed by our culture. Sometimes the Chief wants us to contribute money to witchcraft activities. FM has helped me, just as Daniel had courage, so will I.'*

FM has spread to Zambia and Mozambique as leaders hear about it. FM Equip was a chance to gather 17 leaders and have time to look at how the courses are structured and can be taught. During the training, we looked at teaching and learning methods. FM is very counter cultural as people are not sternly lectured by the teacher. In FM, groups sit in a circle to show equality and the leader does some teaching, but also facilitates discussion and questions. The group journey together in their learning, rather than information passing from teacher to students.

Bamulese *'FM is a vital tool in Mozambique because many are interested to follow Jesus, but we don't have enough leaders. The way I led FM in the past was that I was doing all the talking, with little time for questions. My target was to teach the material as quickly as possible. I have learned that I can be a facilitator, a story teller, participants need to talk and have some time for small group discussion. Lastly, we should not rush the content, but take our time so that we progress as we understand and take action in our lives.'*

Boniface *'My friends will be surprised in how my teaching style will change. I arrived in Malingunde with little confidence and will return home, not as a lecturer, but as a facilitator.'*

William *'I am very impressed how FM attracts leaders of different denominations to come together and learn. Practically they work together in evangelism through Kingdom Expansion, seeing people healed and coming to faith. I am very inspired!'*

On behalf of the whole team, thank you for sharing the journey with us,

Tom and Ali

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Kat sharing at the FM Graduation



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... from all the team!