

NEWS February 2018

Dear Friends,

The rains have not been consistent this growing season, with dry spells damaging crops. We are praying that Malawi will achieve a reasonable harvest, as recent rains have improved.

Our team continue to serve in the midst of challenges as food prices increase and community relationships become strained. Last year was a very hard year as people who are against positive change, caused a lot of relational problems. We are very proud of the team and see the fruit of their work appearing in family life across the Malingunde area.

Chippo *'I am encouraged to see the team mature and take responsibility in our programmes.'*

Baz *'I have learnt to endure through the difficulties of last year, as people talked about us.'*

The strength of our work is formed through long term relationships. Many relationships with people committed to give and pray. We also have people visit through the year giving training and encouragement to the team.

Fanny *'I was impacted by Brian and Val as they taught us about being sheep among wolves.'*

Rhodes *'We were visited by Tom & Kat, I was touched as they taught on how to endure whilst gathering the community to develop themselves in the midst of challenges.'*

We're passionate about our 3 areas of work; we'll be adding 'Church Planting' as a 4th this year.

Happy Faces (HF) is an under 6 stay and play group which teaches Mums about parenthood and how to develop their children holistically.

Ethel *'This year we want to see people understand HF in their hearts as we look for a village to start another group in.'*

In Follow Me we see over 60 church leaders a week learning how to lead and serve their churches well. In Kingdom Expansion we visit a local village going door to door, asking to pray for the sick. Chippo *'We saw 756 physical healings last year with 384 people coming to faith.'*

Eneresi *'I have been sick from back pain for 7 years. I have been looking for help from clinics and traditional healers, but there was no change. When I heard singing, I thought to go and see what was happening. I saw people gathered, singing to Jesus, so I decided to join in. There was an invitation to come forward for prayer, right away I went and explained what I have been struggling with. The first time I was prayed for I felt pain in my whole back, after the second time, I was free, no pain anymore, 7 years of pain gone. I am so happy to be free.'*

Community Health Evangelism (CHE) is a question led development model training health volunteers and transforming whole villages. Patterson *'My highlight of 2017 was going to Kenya for a CHE internship. The course sharpened me in my thinking and attitude. I am passionate to see families reaching Healthy Home Award Level 3 this year.'*

We are thrilled about a new area for us to develop in 2018, training church planters! This is natural expansion of our FM work and we look forward to sharing our plans in our next update.

We recently said farewell to Nigel as a Trustee. Thank you for your hard work and faithful service.

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

Tom and Ali

Tom & Ali, Directors, The Dalitso Trust



Mat time, where most of our work occurs



Bisifat and Patricia introducing Jabez



Thank You Nigel!



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