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Time to Ship another Container.....We have been busy collecting supplies that many of you have furnished for the mission. This year we have thousands of handmade diaper shirts, receiving blankets and stocking caps for the babies at the hospital. We have received a generous donation of 24 good hospital beds and many large pieces of hospital equipment. We had donors help us purchase solar systems for both the primary school and the hospital. We have received over four pallets full of World Bible School material. Brothers and sisters have donated yard equipment for the yard workers to keep the yards mowed (and the snakes away, or at least where you can see them). We have received boxes and boxes of copy paper that is much needed for printing our tracts for evangelism. We are to the point that we have collected more than we will be able to fit in a forty foot container. Now we need help to ship these items.

We need \$12,000 to get this container on the way.

There continues to be a lot of great works taking place at Chimala Mission and the surrounding churches. We are training more men to be Gospel Preachers than ever before. We have thirty full time students and eleven more getting ready to start their Masters work.

Both the Primary school and the Secondary schools are busy educating students. We moved Remmy Mfume to the Secondary School as the Bible Knowledge teacher. We are hearing a lot of good comments about his teaching. Inside this edition you will read an article about the need for Bibles and songbooks at the Secondary School.

There are also a couple of needs at the Secondary School that will help us continue to create a first rate school. When we developed the original design of the school, there were plans to build one more building. The current library is in one end of the Science Building. The other building was to include a Computer Lab on one end and on the other a Library. We had also hoped to start building Teacher Houses

Gertrude is a Form II student from Iringa. She is 13 years old. Her favorite subject is English and she loves to read. Her favorite book is The Train of Freedom. While our library does have some books, they are not in accordance with the Tanzanian standards. For example, if she wants to read further about a specific subject she is studying, we do not have those books available to her.

She also loves fun stories. Who doesn't??!! But she is asking for help in the school library. They are needing to repair the leaning shelves, purchase books, put in some chairs and small tables. The school needs \$5,000 to bring the library up to standard so that students like Gertrude can use it to further her education.

Can you help Gertrude get some books?



Chad sent this article showing why we need a better Library.

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Challenges.... are the theme for this newsletter, so below are a few for the hospital.

Challenge #1 – Dental Help – I have mentioned this in previous articles, but no one has taken me seriously enough to contact me. Last year we had 6 people die from dental abscess. This is totally preventable! When a person gets a big decay or infection, we have no one in this area trained to help. People get help from those who are performing treatment without training.

If you are a dentist, dental assistant, etc, please consider getting together a team of 3-4 who are willing to come to Chimala, Tanzania to help those in need in this area. We have accommodations here at the mission for your team and I know you will have an unbelievable experience. Also you can throw in a day or two for seeing the incredible sights here such as a safari. My goal is to have 3 different teams coming each year; first, middle and end of year.

Challenge #2 – Eye care and surgery - Also mentioned before, however still no volunteers. Many here have cataracts and need surgery. Most just need reading glasses. We have been given eye equipment and many glasses. We need a doctor who would be willing to come assist us in setting up a good eye clinic and then about 3 teams of eye doctors who will come to help those in our area who are in need throughout the year.

Challenge #3 – Motorcycle for our Hospital Preacher – Joshua works full time as the hospital Chaplin. He provides a minimum of 2 devotional times per day, one to one bible studies, prays with the sick, provides comfort and often performs funerals when a patient dies. Last year, we had 56 baptisms at the hospital and have had 5 just in March. Joshua also follows up with new Christians by performing home visits and seminars. Getting around on local transportation is time consuming as well as expensive. We would like to provide him with a motorcycle for his transportation needs. The cost is around \$1100. If you can help us with this challenge, many lives can be touched for God's kingdom.



A Patient seeing our Dental Technician



Joshua teaching at the HIV Clinic. He needs a motorcycle for his follow-up work with patients and families.



The Challenge of HIV...

in Tanzania is huge. Chimala Mission Hospital has over 5,000 active clients at this time.

We are working with the Walter Reed Program to identify as many HIV + clients in our area as possible. The first step to decreasing HIV in the future is to identify HIV+ clients, provide treatment and education.

Stigmatism causes many people to not come for testing or treatment after being tested as positive. It is hard to overcome these stigmatism and convince people to trust in the system. We are working hard to provide a safe and trusting environment for people in our community to come to for testing and treatment.

As you know, I currently provide 4 mobile medical clinics to rural villages. Occasionally, clients at the mobile clinics will ask for a HIV test, but not many. Therefore, during the months of May – August, I will be adding 2 extra clinics per month. These clinics will focus solely on providing counseling/education and testing for HIV. Clients who are identified as positive will be linked to our HIV care program at the hospital for treatment.

All pregnant women are screened for HIV when they come for pre-natal care. All HIV+ pregnant women are started immediately on medication. Any infants born to HIV+ mothers are also started on medications immediately. The intent is to decrease the spread of HIV to the next generation.

Another challenge for the HIV+ clients is tuberculosis. TB is also a common illness here which is contagious without treatment. HIV+ clients are more susceptible to TB due to their decreased immune system. Therefore all HIV+ clients are screened for TB at every visit.

In the healthcare system here, there are many challenges. Lack of modern equipment, lack of health education, and many diseases. Two of the major diseases here are HIV and TB. Pray for the people here; those who are sick, healthcare workers who are treating those who are sick and family who care for those who are sick.



Rene and Cheryl at the Hospital Storeroom.

Personal Note: My time in the states was very good and I feel very strongly that God is opening more doors for this work. Thank you for all your support in the past and I pray you will continue to help us as we strive daily to bring glory and honor to God through teaching His Word and healing/helping those in need.



MUSSA THE MASSAI NEEDS A HOUSE

CHAD WAGNER
Mission Administrator

Mussa Ole Ngalai has been working at the schools for many years. He is a Christian and a faithful worker at the mission. He is married with four children. We are very thankful that he is serving at the mission.

I recently talked with Mussa regarding his family situation. Due to a lack of teacher housing at the school, he much rent a 2 room place in the village which is very small and unsafe – and a long distance from the school! Security is an issue for everyone who lives in the village. Also, since the place he is renting is too small, his wife and family live in another village 45 minutes away. This is a very difficult arrangement for him and his family.

He has asked to see if suitable teacher housing could be built on the mission for teachers just like Mussa. He said that when teachers live on the campus, they are able to keep an eye on the children much better. It will also allow him to be a better teacher as he will be able to be closer to the students. He says he “wants to do a good job.”

The school is not financially able to build these teacher’s houses and need your help. Can you help us build some teacher’s houses? One house will cost a total of about \$10,000. Good teachers like Mussa need your help. **Chad Wagner**



Mussa



A BIG CHALLENGE FOR ONE OF OUR CONGREGATIONS

Inyala Church of Christ is located about thirty miles west of the mission on the main highway going to Mbeya. For years it has been one of our strongest and most active congregations. They have close to one hundred in attendance on Sunday mornings. They offer ladies and youth classes during the week. The best part of all is that they have went out on their own and started two more congregations. They also have one of the largest buildings in the brotherhood. They started in a smaller building and later converted that building into classrooms when they built the big building.

Last year, Tanzania elected a new president. He has come into office working hard to correct a lot of the corruption and make sure all laws are being enforced. Some of this is very good, but in other ways, there are some draw backs. One of the bad things that has come to light under these changes is that the Inyala building is located within the railroads right-of-way. It has been there for years and they were given permission by the local government officials to build there. They are working with the officials to see if there are any possibilities of getting some assistance from the government in relocating. I do not hold out much hope for this happening.

You can see in the pictures that the building was built well behind the Highway ROW markers. (the white post at the right hand side of the picture) We never realized that the railroad ROW was as wide as it is. This church is going to need help. Imagine if your local government came in and told you your building was going to have to be torn down and relocated. I am sure that you church would asking for help also. **Bill Stinson**





GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

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Frye, Willie & Marge

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Pollard, Elza & Kathleen

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Wiseman, Jeanette

Pasley, Adrain
Collier, Vesta

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Collier, Vesta

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Brown, Martha

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Pollard, Elza & Kathleen

Chambliss, Norman
Furby, Spence

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White, Dale & Laura

Crisp, Mike
Duncan, Wayne

Dell, Phyllis
Matheny, Tina

Dunham, Jean
Crum, Judy
Herring, Carolyn
Miller, Jerry & Norma
Watkins, Ruby
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Kid, Norie, Tamara, & Diann

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Ford, Jo

Foster, Maudie
Hopson, Virgie

Gage, Quentin
Rhodes, Jean

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Greeban, Thelma
Hopson, Virgie

Hagan, Albert R
Hagan, Melva

Holland, Sandra
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Jordan, Kay

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McKinley, Dr Carolyn

Moore, Jim
Herring, Carolyn

Morrison, Norman
Jackson, Joyce

Parker, Betty
Jones, Tommy & Mary

Paul, James
Jones, Connie
French, James

Peeples, Wanda
Bosquez, Janice
Shepherd, Corbin & Ruthelma

Poe, Riley
Hopson, Virgie

Remmix, Teresa
Rennix, Mark

Rushing, Jim
Hopson, Virgie

Thompson, Norman
Brown, Martha
Crum, Judy
Herring, Carolyn
Miller, Jerry & Norma

Tidwell, Virginia (Leta)
Brown, Martha
Crum, Judy
Hanna, Lina
Hall, Anita
Herring, Carolyn
Keith, Ruth
McPherson, Donald & Carolyn
Miller, Jerry & Norma
Olsta, Kristine

Via, Mickey
Herring, Carolyn

Watkins, Kirby
Watkins, Ruby

Weckerly, Donna
Weckerly, Sheri

Weckerly, Steven
Weckerly, Sheri



RADIO EVANGELISM CONTINUES TO GROW

Radio Evangelism began two years ago out in the Mbozi Area which is about 100 miles west of the mission. This work has seen tremendous results with hundreds being baptized as a result. We have some churches in that area that are now approaching the size of the congregation of Inyala. One in particular is now able to provide full time suport for their preacher..

Even more exciting is the news that now we have 3 more areas that are interested in using this same method to grow churches in their region. We are working on a plan to record the broadcast that is being done in Mbozi and use it on other radio stations in each area. Plans are being put together for preachers in each area to coordinate the receiving of phone calls and doing the follow up teaching.

We found last year that using the Gospel Chariot truck in the regions that the radio program is broadcast in is a great method of reaching hundreds at a time to give them more in-depth teaching and do a lot of one on one Bible studies. That is how we ended up having 101 baptisms in a twenty four day period last August.

We are also working on ways to fund this project and hope to have a sponsor soon. Read more on the next page about a need to do more campaigns in these areas.



Radio Evangelism is Saving Souls

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Campaigns in Southwest Tanzania

Chimala Mission is a large work as most of you know.

Between the hospital and the schools, we reach over **60,000 people** a year with help that improves their physical lives. We reach hundreds of thousands more through our radio broadcast and campaigns. Just as Christ did in Mathew 9:35 going through all of the cities and villages teaching and proclaiming the Gospel and healing the sick, this is our goal at Chimala.

Our teachers and students are now going to be in northern Tanzania preaching and teaching. The students from the Mwanza area have requested that some of our teachers come to Mwanza to help them teach people there. After being in school these last few months, they realize that they have not been worshipping correctly and teaching the whole truth.

There are over 100 congregations in this part of Tanzania that need to be taught. They plan to hold large meetings so they can invite several of the area churches to gather in one place where they can hold a meeting and teach them.

BILL STINSON
STATESIDE COORDINATOR



Boaz preaching at a campaign

These students have been traveling with our teachers the last few months helping them teach and do Bible studies. There are some vital tools required to do these campaigns. One is good **vehicles** to reach many of these outlying areas. Last year we were fortunate to have collected enough funds to purchase some newer vehicles, which has helped.

They also need good **PA systems** so they can be heard. It has come to my attention that the Public Address system is in need of replacing. We have been using this same system for the last eight years at least. With all of the new focus to reach more areas with Radio, we are having more and more request for campaigns. **\$3,000 is urgently needed to acquire a new Amplifier, Generator and Speakers** (remember, all most all of these areas have no electricity).



Joseph Haonga (on the right) with five of our CBI students. You can see the equipment is worn and battered.

Please remember you can give a gift of any size to Chimala Mission to honor someone special, or in memory of a loved one who has passed from this life. Your gift for a better life will help the poor and will continue the preaching of the pure gospel of Christ to many that have never heard the truth. You and your loved one's name will appear in the next quarterly issue of the **Challenge of Africa**. Please make your donation payable to **CHIMALA MISSION** and return this form to:

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PUT BIBLES IN THEIR HANDS!

Our Herring Christian Secondary School has students from not only a Churches of Christ background but also a great many of them come from denominations. Some are even Muslims! Our Bible knowledge program is where we are able to teach the students at the secondary school about the truths of God's word. We are very excited to have Remmy Mfaume working with the Bible Knowledge program.

One of the great challenges is a lack of Bibles and songbooks for worship. There are only a handful of Bibles for our students to use during worship periods. It is so very important that we put the Bible into the hands of people who are searching and being taught the truth. You have the ability to give them the Bibles which can make the wise unto salvation (2 Timothy 3:15).

The Bible knowledge program needs \$300 in order to purchase Bibles and songbooks to get them started. They are also in need of Bible maps and charts to aid in the teaching program. Please put Bibles in their hands!



NEED A NEW ON-SITE ADMINISTRATOR

*Bill Stinson
Coordinator*

Chad Wagner has faithfully served as the Chimala Mission administrator now for almost five years. He has made the decision that he is ready to step down from that position but is interested in possibly becoming the missionary-in-charge of CBI and Evangelism....which is where his heart really is. Evangelism had been his back ground from the beginning by serving as a full time evangelist in the states and working with preacher training schools in Nigeria.

To fill the position of Mission Administrator.....We are looking for a man that is strong in the faith that has administrative experience and knows how to develop leadership.

Our goal at Chimala Mission Hospital and Schools is to create a mission and churches that are self supported and lead by the Tanzanians. If you know of anyone that would fit these requirements and would love to work for God in a foreign field, please let us know. I personally filled this role for over 4 1/2 years and know that it is both a rewarding and challenging job.



Chad & Rene Wagner



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- Did you know that your support of the **Hospital** can help over 60,000 people receive good medical care?
- Did you know that your support of the **Christian Schools** can help educate almost a 1,000 young people?
- Did you know that your support of **Chimala Bible Institute** help train men preach the Gospel to thousands?
- Did you know that your support of **Evangelism** can help hundreds become children of God each year?

Please consider helping these good works in Tanzania



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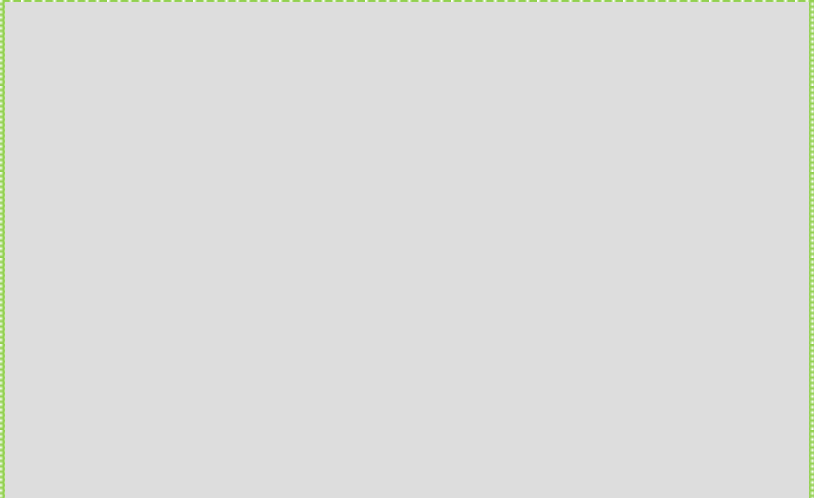
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