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It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of 2012.

It has been another year of great rewards and *Challenges*. I have had people ask me, "Why do you call your publication *The Challenge of Africa*?" We do so for two reasons, the first being that when we write to you telling of all the great works that God is allowing us to do in Tanzania, we are *Challenging* you to be a partner in this work by giving support both financially and through prayer. Secondly, for the *Challenges* that are put in front of us as we try to work in a foreign field in what are sometimes not the easiest circumstances. Though the title represents two types of *Challenges*, the bottom line is that God continues to bless the work in Chimala and we are grateful that we have so many brothers and sisters in Christ that partner with us. In 2012, we accomplished several goals. We successfully shipped two containers in one year—the first time in eight years this has been done. We welcomed a new missionary family to the work, who are adjusting well and making a difference. We made progress on starting the nursing school. We graduated nine men ready



And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

-Romans 10:15

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to go out and preach the Good News. We had the setback of the fire

at the secondary school, but because many of you rallied to help, we were able to rebuild and put it to use once more. Thousands of babies have been safely delivered and thousands of others have been treated at the hospital. Most importantly, hundreds of souls have been saved because of the efforts of the men and women at Chimala Mission...and you, who support them.

In this publication you will read about the progress of several areas of Chimala Mission. We still have goals that need to be met. I hope that you enjoy this edition of *The Challenge of Africa*.

BILL STINSON
Stateside Coordinator



Infant Mortality and the Obstetrics Ward

CHAD WAGNER
Missionary

“Infant mortality rate” signifies deaths in the first year of life. In the U.S. the rate is 6 deaths per 1,000 births. In Tanzania, the infant mortality rate is 66 deaths per 1,000 births. That means that a baby is 11 times more likely to die in Tanzania than in America. To stem the tide of dying babies, the Tanzanian government started a program of free maternal care. Mothers receive free pre- and post-natal care and delivery at local hospitals. The Chimala Mission Hospital is involved in this program.

We are committed to decreasing the infant mortality rate in the Chimala area. Since we became active in this program, we have had a flood of expectant mothers come into the hospital. We are excited and very busy with all of the mothers coming in for good medical care, but this has caused several issues. Since this is a government initiative, the government is supposed to cover the costs of this program, but the TZ government has not been fulfilling their end of the bargain. Also, we have to assign more nurses to the OB department to assist with the heavy increase in patients. With no income for this program and more expenses because of the patient load, we are facing a serious financial issue at the hospital. We are happy to help with this government program, but we must find a solution. For right now, we continue to hand out baby blankets to new mothers – usually around 25-30 every three days! We ask that you pray for our efforts to combat the infant mortality rate and for your financial assistance as we fulfill this ministry.

Wagner Girls with Chimala nurses in the Obstetrics Ward



Nursing School & Hospital

BILL STINSON
Stateside Coordinator



Clockwise from top left: in-patient waiting, out-patient waiting, pharmacy window .

We are currently preparing for the opening of the nursing school. At Chad’s suggestion, we will move the nursing school to the old Bible College building and we will build the new Bible College near the student dorms, as mentioned in Chad’s article (right). The main reason for this move is that the new location will put the nursing school classrooms, dorms, library, and teachers offices all near the hospital. Now both CBI and the nursing school will have better locations. Your gift allows the nursing school to support the hospital and provides better training of men to be preachers.





A GOAL BECOMING A REALITY—HCSS

BILL STINSON
*Stateside
Coordinator*

In 1998, when Jerry Herring visited Chimala for the first time, he came back with the intention to build Christian Schools at Chimala Mission. He believed that we could give young people a good secular education while simultaneously providing a foundational Biblical education, potentially better-equipping the future Tanzanian Church. One indirect benefit that surfaced from this idea was to assist in fulfilling our goal of making the mission more self-sustaining. People in Tanzania are familiar with the idea of paying school fees and dorm fees so their children may obtain a better education than what the government schools offer. After taking on oversight of Chimala Mission, the elders at New York Avenue made it their goal to create a work that would one day rely less heavily on financial support from the States.

As we prepare to start the 2013 school year, we finally have all eleven grades enrolled at the schools. The schools have now reached the point of supporting themselves as far as their daily operation is concerned. We are still supporting ongoing construction of school buildings with still a couple to build. After 2013, however, the schools should be able to completely stand on their own, even with construction involved. Over the next few years, the schools will be putting most of their profits into continued improvements resulting in a very high quality educational facility. Eventually, these schools will be able to apply their profits toward helping the mission in our evangelism efforts. We have already seen educational and spiritual improvement in our students. Now we are ready to see more fruits of our plan become a reality.



Students Receiving Hand-made, Donated Book Bags

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The Necessary Tools - CBI

CHAD WAGNER
Missionary



Chad Wagner and Garry Hill at the CBI graduation.

Every craftsman or professional needs quality tools of his trade to perform his skill. The carpenter needs the proper tools to build a house just as the fireman needs the proper safety equipment to protect himself while he fights fires and save lives. Bottom line: you need the right tools for the job at hand. What about the Kingdom of God? Here in Chimala we are training men to preach the Gospel. Tanzania is one of the front-line countries between Islam and Christianity. It is important that we lay the proper foundation in these men now to ensure the future of New Testament Christianity in Africa.

To lay that foundation, we need proper tools. The Chimala Bible Institute has become too small to accommodate the overflow of students. That is a wonderful problem to have, but it needs a solution quickly. With a larger facility we would be able to shelve all the books that have been donated to the library and utilize donated media tools, such as computers and other technology. Lastly, we will move the new building next to the dorms, which are on the other side of campus at this time. We are planning on constructing a new building in

2013 to give the teachers the tools that they need to do their job properly and to facilitate easy access of living quarters and classrooms. We are trying to raise \$75,000 to build the new CBI building. Though it may not appear beautiful on the outside, it will be well equipped on the inside with the necessary tools to train future leaders of the church. We ask that you prayerfully consider helping us in this endeavor.



NEW MISSIONARIES—THE WAGNER FAMILY

CHAD WAGNER
Missionary

The Wagner Family has been at the Chimala Mission since June of this year. They are integrating themselves very well into life at Chimala Mission. Here is an update from Chad:

"I have been busy working in different areas all around the mission. I have recently been teaching 'Isaiah' and 'How We Got the Bible' at CBI and have been preaching at various local congregations in the mission area.

Rena, my wife, has been home-schooling the children. We have a school room setup where she does her teaching. She has also been turning our house into a home. After receiving our container, we are still unloading boxes and organizing our things here in Chimala.

Anna, our oldest child, is very busy around the mission. She teaches English, helps out at the Primary School and even travels once a week to a local Massai village to teach primary school kids. She and her sister Laura hand out new baby blankets to new mothers at the hospital. Even with all of that, she is doing her studies and preparing for college next year.

Laura and the other children have been doing school work, enjoying visits to local congregations to sing with the children and having fun just being kids.

Jonah, our youngest, is really enjoying the wide open areas and playing outside! We as a family are truly settling into our new life here."

The Wagner Family is a family of seven who have a heart for the Lord's work in Africa. Not just any family has the desire and talent to pack up life in America and move across the world to spread the Gospel in a very different culture and living conditions. We are blessed to have such a family at the Chimala Mission and every one of them contributes to the work! We ask that you prayerfully consider supporting the Wagners in your next contribution as they still do not have all of the funds they need to work properly at the mission.

Chad Wagner Preaching



Anna Wagner, passing out blankets to new mothers

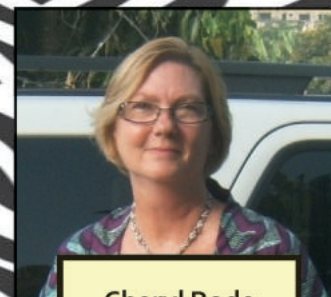


Jonah Wagner "hanging out" with a friend



CHERYL BODE—SPECIAL REQUEST

Cheryl Bode is a registered nurse who has expressed the desire to work and live at the Chimala Mission to help with medical needs. We are so thankful for her decision and she will greatly bless the mission. As of right now, Cheryl is still looking for a large part of her work fund to be able to go to Chimala and serve. If you would like to help Cheryl, please use the form on the back of this newsletter to select support for Cheryl.



Cheryl Bode

HEALING FOR HUMANITY
Annual Fund Drive for Chimala Mission

In these difficult economic times, we must make decisions as concerned Christians about how we spend our limited funds. In the New Testament, Paul tells us the Macedonians gave even out of their poverty. Will you do the same?

Of the 41 million people in Tanzania, half are under the age of 18. The **CHIMALA PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS** educate these young people for productive careers and lives in Christian service.

Tanzania is one of the front-line countries between Islam and Christianity. It is important that we lay the proper foundation in these young Christians now to ensure the future of New Testament Christianity in Africa. After obeying the gospel, the young men are educated to be preachers and bible teachers in their home country through the **CHIMALA BIBLE INSTITUTE**.

In Tanzania, 66 out of every 1000 babies will die. The **CHIMALA HOSPITAL** delivers approximately 3,000 babies each year. Please help us keep the hospital operating to provide better care to mothers and babies, while bringing them the message of Christ.

The **CHIMALA NURSING SCHOOL** is in the first stages of opening and we ask for your support in this endeavor as we desperately need trained nurses in Chimala.



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Special Needs for 2013:

...funding for the *Nursing School*...

...newborn *Incubators* for the hospital...

...new building for the expanding *Bible Institute*...

...*Missionary Funding* for the newest missionaries...

... the *Wagner Family* of seven and *Cheryl Bode*, Nurse...

Here's how you can make a difference...

*...please donate your 2012 tax-deductible gift to the Lord's work in Chimala by checking one of the areas on the table on the back of this newsletter and naming the amount you wish to give. Cut out and mail with your check payable to **Chimala Mission:***

New York Avenue church of Christ
5371 New York Avenue
Arlington, TX 76018

We thank you for your prayers and support!

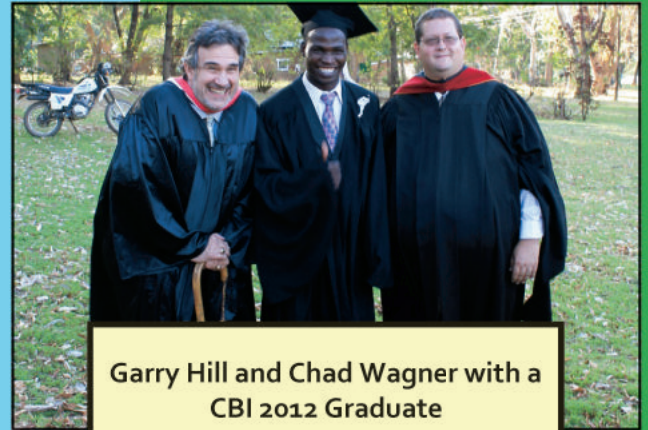
"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" -Ro. 10:15



For the first time in months, we have had rain the last two days. As I sit in my study this Sunday morning, I'm working on my lesson to preach at Uturo, where I will meet some of our students who have been studying with some in the community. I look out on the beautiful African morning and see eight of our students gathered at the bridge. I go out to see them as Howell Ferguson drives up in one of the mission vehicles. He is taking them with Remmy, the Dean of the English program, to another congregation where they will go to worship and stay all day to do follow up Bible studies. Now Joseph, our dean of the Swahili program, drives up in another vehicle. He is going to preach with some students at another congregation. Soon Chad is driving up with his family and Menard Swilla, the mission supervisor, to go preach. Menard spoke in chapel Friday and powerfully encouraged our students to use their talents to serve the Lord. Boaz comes by with his *pikipiki* (motor cycle) with a student sitting behind him and they go up the mountain to preach where there have been four baptisms and one restoration in the last week.

As I come back into the house to gather my Bible and *kahawa* (coffee) I am rejoicing to be involved in such a great work. At **Chimala Bible Institute**, dedicated preachers of the gospel and our students in training can all "gather at the bridge" and go out and share the good news of our merciful Savior.

Well, Ezekiel is now here and we are off to Uturo to join Israel, one of our student preachers, and other young laborers to go "preach Christ." Surely, this is the way it must have been as our Lord sent men out to preach the gospel. The road will not be as dusty today, the plants are in bloom and a cool breeze is blowing. What is really special about this morning, however, is to see so many young and old alike, teachers and students alike, Americans and Tanzanians and Malawians alike, "gathering at the bridge" and then going to share the gospel with our world. God bless all who support the work with your prayers and thoughts.



Garry Hill and Chad Wagner with a CBI 2012 Graduate



2012 CBI Graduating Class



2012 Class with Faculty

URGENT REQUEST FROM GARRY:

We have admitted 24 students for the next school year. These men and women will travel and live here at Chimala to be better equipped to serve the Lord for the glory and growth of His church. They are willing, *but they need your help*. For a little over \$100 a month we can train these young Christians through the **Chimala Bible Institute** to go and serve the church in places we as missionaries may never be able to go. They have accepted the challenge to preach the gospel, **BUT WE NEED YOU!** Please help us train these dedicated, faithful Christians to evangelize the countries of Tanzania, the Congo and Malawi.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OF LOVE



*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 return this form with your donation made payable to **CHIMALA MISSION** to:
New York Avenue church of Christ
5371 New York Avenue, Arlington, TX 76018.*

Income / Expense Report

Jan 1, 2012 - Nov 13, 2012

| Category | Income | Expenses |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Christian Schools | \$ 39,446.00 | \$ 102,187.00 |
| CBI | \$ 14,835.00 | \$ 47,369.00 |
| *Hospital | \$ 32,288.00 | \$ 23,182.00 |
| Evangelism | \$ 4,395.00 | \$ 33,086.00 |
| Missionaries | \$ 71,000.00 | \$ 121,115.00 |
| General Fund | \$ 303,830.00 | \$ 688.00 |
| Shipping | \$ 570.00 | \$ 23,256.00 |
| Cattle Ranch | \$ 7,208.00 | \$ 11,178.00 |
| **Mission Operations | \$ - | \$ 64,525.00 |
| Travel | \$ 1,985.00 | \$ 4,659.00 |
| Stateside Auto | \$ - | \$ 14,871.00 |
| Office Supplies | \$ 70.00 | \$ 16,467.00 |
| Insurance | \$ - | \$ 1,600.00 |
| Office Staff | \$ - | \$ 20,255.00 |
| Total | \$ 475,627.00 | \$ 484,438.00 |

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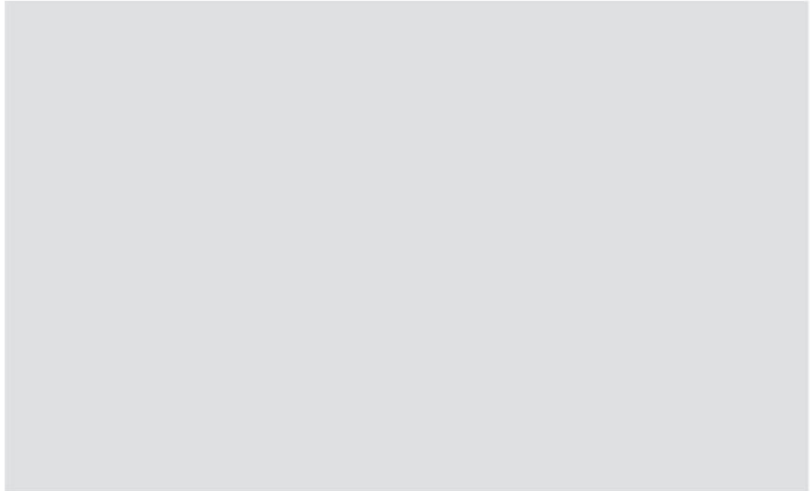
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