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God' Solution to Save the World

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)

WANT TO SCHEDULE A CHIMALA MISSION PRESENTATION?

When I am not overseas or on the road, I schedule appointments for presentation reports to supporting churches or churches interested in learning more about the *Chimala Mission*.

If you would like a report, please contact me by email, phone or text!

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Howell Ferguson **Looking Ahead**

With warmer weather now approaching, thoughts of this summer's activities are beginning to develop. Already since Mary and I returned from Tanzania in early February, I am visiting churches, giving reports, and collecting items for the upcoming shipment to Chimala. I've already purchased our flight tickets to Chimala this summer with our return ticket date matching the flights of Nathan & Kristi and the kids on the 2nd of August. This is just two weeks before the Polishing The Pulpit (PTP) annual event—one of the largest organized events among churches of Christ. This popular venue in beautiful Sevierville, TN has been a great opportunity to publicize the great work of the Chimala Mission.

You will remember that the summer months at Chimala are always very full with the seminars for the women, preachers, and youth. Following the seminars are the Gospel Chariot campaigns conducted by the instructors and students of CSOP.

I am very pleased to announce that the portable X-ray machine has been purchased, delivered and is awaiting shipment at our warehouse in Montgomery. In addition, the 3-bay refrigerated morgue has also been purchased, and is being constructed in a factory with a delivery date to Montgomery being around the second week of May.

Speaking of X-ray machines, hospital director, Exavery Ngullo said the hospital's stationary X-ray machine that suffered lightning damage last spring has finally received its repair parts and is working again. Hallelujah! Currently we're awaiting an inspection from the Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission to recertify it back into service.

In last month's newsletter, Nathan reported that the mission's hydram (hydraulic ram pump) had finally reached a point of no-repair. After getting a quote from the only place on the planet that still makes Blake's hydraulic rams, the company in Great Britain gave us a price to get the pump back working again. Fortunately, more than one reader responded to his request for help because the cost of the repair parts plus shipping ended up doubling the amount we thought we needed.

As you can see, we are looking forward not only to a number of upcoming upgrades and events; but more importantly to the far-reaching impact the Chimala Mission is making in the lives of the people of Tanzania. Thanks to all of you who faithfully pray and support the Chimala Mission.



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Update on Shipping Container

There is still time to make donations for the next shipment of supplies for the Chimala Mission. Already we have accumulated several pallets of commodities—some of which were remaining items that did not make it on the 2021 shipment. And there are newer items we have collected for the past two years. But so far we are estimating we already have around 25 pallets of a variety of items. Among these items includes boxes of home-made newborn clothes and blankets, school-bags, school supplies, estate tools, wheelchairs, Bibles and Bible literature, school books, hospital linens, furniture, missionary supplies and needs, and tons of other general mission items.

Mary and I have been collecting packages and boxes recently from churches and individuals. Some of these we bring back home with us temporarily until we have collected enough to make a Montgomery, AL road trip. Sometimes I pull a covered trailer if the load is large enough. Once at our storage warehouse, we unload and stack on pallets for further processing and inventory.



In the picture above, we are unloading our newly-purchased used GE AMX 4 Plus portable X-ray machine. This sophisticated piece of equipment is extremely heavy weighing nearly 1,100 pounds. A custom-made crate will be constructed around the unit for safe handling and delivery. Once this invaluable machine arrives at the Chimala Mission Hospital, it will not only serve as a back-up in the event of another breakdown or malfunction; but due to its mobility feature, it will be possible to bring the X-ray service to a bedridden or incapacitated patient. Once again, we thank our gracious God for opening up such opportunities for the hospital. And we thank those of you who provided the financial means to buy it.



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"Of whom the world was not worthy..." Hebrews 11:38

THANKS FOR INVESTING IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD

The positive response to our appeal in the January and February newsletter for help with the Preachers' Kids scholarship program has been so humbling. Along with those of you who regularly support the PKs' program, the additional one-time contributions you made have given these kids more time to continue in a Christian education which they would not otherwise enjoy.





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"Easter" Sunday at Chimala Mission

Christians remember Christ's death every first day of the week as a memorial during the Lord's Supper, as well as celebrate His resurrection. But the occasion the world calls "Easter" has become a tradition of "Easter eggs", chocolate bunnies, and photo-ops with new spring clothes. While it is technically fall at Chimala, Nathan and Kristi managed to continue the tradition with Eden, Emmy and Rowan's picture taken on their front door walkway.

