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"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)

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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*.

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Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

All of us remember our "school days," when each morning started early and ended by mid-afternoon. As children, it often felt like school would last forever. Looking back, though, we can see that many of the everyday things we now take for granted were learned during those seemingly endless days. As we grew older—whether working at home, entering the workforce, or continuing our education—we encountered new experiences and learned new concepts that helped shape our personalities, sharpen our skills, and secure our futures.

Our CSOP students are going through similar experiences now, though within a Tanzanian culture that differs in many ways from our own. Our prayer is that, through this process, they will remain faithful Christians—servants of God who are prepared to teach and lead others while remaining firmly guided by His word. May their numbers be legion.



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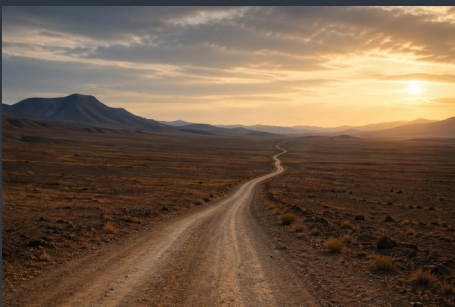
Taking The Long Road

What does “mission work” look like? Preaching to the masses from a mountain top? Demonstrating great courage through the “fires” of persecution? It’s hardly ever that extreme. More often, it is simply walking somewhere and having a conversation, helping someone, sharing a meal, or carrying on with daily routines. And it is amazing what God can do through small and faithful actions rather than only through “big events.”

In a place like Chimala, mission work frequently involves delays, waiting, and the unpredictable. In fact, waiting becomes a regular part of both life and ministry. In these moments, patience, trust, and endurance often reshape one’s perspective and deepen dependence on God (cf. Isaiah 40:31).

What is really helpful in these times of reflection is this: Why are we here? Is there anything to learn from the people we came to serve? Mission work is not one-directional. If given enough time, missionaries can learn much from the people around them like resilience, hospitality, faith, and contentment.

While Western drive, ingenuity and efficiency have helped build powerful industrial nations, that alone has little effect in winning souls to Christ. In the end, God uses the deliberate, shared life of people to shape hearts on both sides of the mission field.



Nathan Ferguson

Ladies’ Future Teacher Training Camp

In this newsletter, I wanted to make one special request: this June, we are hosting a week-long seminar dedicated to teaching young women how to lead Bible classes for children. This camp will be a meaningful contribution to the mission and the surrounding community, equipping young women to become Bible class teachers. This skill is woefully lacking in the country, and we want to bridge that gap. Our goal is to prepare these ladies so that the children in our congregations can receive high-quality, well-prepared Bible classes.

The seminar will include lectures, Q&A sessions, hands-on training, and material preparation. We continue to ask for your prayers over the coming weeks. We set a goal to raise \$2,000 to cover food, lodging, and materials for all attendees that week, as well as costs for specialized teachers. At this point, we have basically met that goal thanks to a number of generous contributors.

Kristi writes: *I wanted to give a quick update on our fundraising for the Ladies’ Future Teacher Training Camp (FTTC) happening this summer on the mission. Because of the generosity of several of our supporters, we have reached our goal. Thank you for your donations so that we can make this camp a reality and help secure a bright future for the young ones in the church.*

The dates for this training camp are June 28 - July 2. Please pray for the success of this unique event!



Mama Betty teaching a ladies seminar at Chimala Mission back in 2015.

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Planting the Gospel at Itulahumba

It's always encouraging to see what Chimala Mission staff do outside of their regular Monday–Friday jobs. Here's a short summary of some of the outreach ministry efforts CSOP instructor Remmy Mfaume has been doing.

Remmy began worshipping alone at Itulahumba in a rented house in 2021. It was his first point of entrance into what was then an empty field and started Bible classes as a form of evangelism. During that time, he baptized one man who helped the gospel become accepted among the local people, though the man sadly passed away in late 2023. Another convert, Frank Mahali, studied for two years at CSOP and has since returned home to preach, while he has been working in Makambako since December 2024. They are currently planning to plaster the church building, install eleven metal windows, and have already begun purchasing materials, including a welding machine and grinder to reduce costs. Additionally, they hope to start a new congregation where Frank's eldest daughter lives, though further prayers are still needed to complete these efforts.





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Self-Sustainability--Still In Progress

Behind the Chimala Mission sits the Ailsa property—rolling hills and open land that is being put to great use. Efforts are being made toward helping the mission become more self-sustaining, and with each step, more is being learned through experience.

Part of that effort includes the gradual growth of a cattle farm. It is still developing, but it represents an important step toward long-term stability. We are learning what works, what does not, and how best to use what has been provided.

At the same time, much work remains. The land is there, and the opportunities are there, but they require continued labor, planning, and patience. With steady effort, the Ailsa property can play an increasing role in supporting the mission and helping accomplish its long-term goals.

