



The *Curtis Family*

Missionaries to Malawi, Africa March 2023

Dear Praying Friends,

The last few months have been very busy as we have been preparing for the start of Bible college, which opened on March 6th with nine men. Please pray for me as I teach and for the students to be able to comprehend the information. Most have had little formal education; many have never taken a test before.

The outreach in Phokera is continuing where we are gathering weekly in preparation for a church plant. Along with weekly evangelization, we have started a salvation-oriented Bible study on Sunday afternoon with the goal of being able to clearly present the Gospel to the people. We are averaging around 50 adults and 100-200 children each time we meet. Souls are coming to Christ each time we go out in this village, and we are thankful for how God is working in hearts.

The ministry has been going well here, but not without difficulties. Our water purification system broke, and we have been without running water in the house for about three weeks now. Also at the time of the writing of this letter, cyclone Freddy has just passed through washing out roads and causing the power grid to be turned off for an undetermined amount of time. We are not sure when either the roads or the power will be fixed. We have one roadway in and out of our location and it is currently washed out in multiple places on both sides. We are cut off from the stores where we get our supplies, but thankfully, we did stock up when we saw that the storm was coming. We certainly appreciate your prayers concerning this. I honestly feel bad sharing with you our difficulties when I see the great hardship that the Malawian people are going through right now. Even before the storm we saw many with malaria each time we went out. When we could, we helped them get to a doctor and paid for medicine. I expect malaria may be worse now, with other sicknesses added to it since many have been displaced by the storm, their houses falling down or flooded, with nowhere to go. Some are continuing to live in houses with only half the house still standing, using the side that hasn't fallen down. Truly my heart aches when I see the great difficulty that they are enduring! Please pray for the Malawian people at this time! And also pray for us that we will have wisdom as to how we can minister to them at this time.

Last, thank you for praying!! The Lord has been keeping us safe. We also received our immigration papers for the next six months, and we are progressing in the language little by little. Please continue to pray for us. We covet your prayers!!

Prayer Requests

- Pray for our continued health and safety!
- Pray for fluency in the Chichewa language.
- Pray for the Bible college teachers and students!
- Pray for evangelism in Phokera as we prepare to start a church there.
- Pray for the Malawian people that have been affected by cyclone Freddy. And pray for us to have wisdom as we seek to minister to them at this time.

Your servants in Christ,
Eric & Jessica Curtis & family

Bible College students and teachers



Soul winning group on March 4



Contact Information

Eric Curtis
571-513-6904
curtisfamilyministries@gmail.com

Sending Church
Victory Baptist Church
200 Golden Lane
Sutherlin, VA 24594
434-822-7527

Baptist International Missions Inc.
PO Box 9
Harrison, TN 37341
423-344-5050
www.bimi.org