

# THE YANDUYA'S MINISTRY UPDATE



## Ministry Amidst a devastating Cyclone

March 2023 will be remembered as one of the most difficult months in Malawi and in our ministry as Pastors. As many of you have read in the papers and on the internet, Malawi experienced one of the most devastating Cyclones in her history.

Over 500 people died and more that 550 are still unaccounted. The city of Blantyre was the worst hit recording over 80% of the total deaths. During this period, God gave us an opportunity to serve our community. People lost everything including their loved ones, property, food and fields. Many who lost their houses were evacuated to temporary camps and the church was called to help in meeting some of the people's humanitarian needs. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the support you rendered to those in need. Every penny you sent was used to meet the needs of these people. I would also like to continue calling upon you to continue praying and supporting these people as this Cyclone has not just brought a temporary challenge. The challenges will take time to heal hence our call for more support in terms of food and other humanitarian needs. We still have people who are in need of food and other basic necessities and your support will greatly be appreciated.

## Easter Outreach

During the easter period, our Congregation organised a two days Conference in a village outside of the City. The Conference went well. Christ was preached and many believed. Pray for those who believed and our church as we seek funds to start a new church plant in the area. Some people from the area are willing to join us but they are barred by the distance. Continue praying as we disciple these new members into mature Christians.



## School fees for 17 School going boys and girls

Between March and June 2023, we have supported seventeen (17) school going boys and girls from various educational institutions. Thanks to our partners for the provisions of funds. Approximately 80 USD is enough to support one needy child to access uninterrupted quality education for the whole year. Our prayer is that we will continue offering such support to the kids who are coming from the most vulnerable households, not just from our community but also those we have never met. Some of the teens we are supporting are not members of our church. We worked with School Managements to identify the most needy students and we thank God that we can share the love of God even with those who currently have no relationship with Christ. We hope to continue engaging such teens as we support them with their educational needs while sharing the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. You can consider supporting one or two children in the next academic year commencing in the month of September 2023.

## Leadership Training for Rural Christian Workers

“Everything rises and falls on leadership.”

Leadership development has been one of the most crucial areas necessary for the growth of the church in Malawi. One of the ministries we do is to take the Gospel to rural areas of Malawi. Statistics have shown that over 85% of rural areas have no qualified trained Pastor. This means a large majority of the people in rural Malawi are being led by Pastors or church leaders who have never had any theological and/or ministerial training. It is this that continues to push us to consider this area as one of the most important areas of our ministry. One Seminar, with 50 participants, costs us approximately \$1200. This includes provision of Bibles, lunch, refreshments and transportation for volunteer facilitators. Our annual plan is to conduct at least three seminars



### GIRLS BRIGADE MINISTRY

Ellen has been involved in the Girls Brigade Ministry for quite a long time now. The Girls Brigade will be celebrating its 130th birthday on 10th June 2023. This year, the ministry has organised a trip to Nigeria for all the regional leaders and Ellen is one of the invited guests. The Conference, which will take place in Abuja, Nigeria will run from 27th July to the 5th of August 2023. We are currently looking for well wishers who might be able to support Ellen to attend this important Conference which is aimed at helping officers on how best they can disciple young girls today. Feel free to contact me if you need further details on how you can support Ellen to attend this conference.

