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Psalm 9 contains the phrase: “(God) will not ignore forever all the needs of the poor, for those in need shall not always be crushed, their hopes shall be fulfilled, for God sees it all”.

Malawi is once again in the midst of a terrible hunger for physical food. The poor rains earlier in the year have led to the great majority of the country having insufficient food at this time. There are many months for them to endure before the next harvest. Julian reported that everyone was much thinner than was the case last year in his previous visit. There had been much thieving from the fields as desperation forced some to seek food wherever it could be found.

In May SaltMalawi were privileged to be able to give generously to help the Church of the Disciples of Jesus (CDJ) buy food to help during this season. It seems odd to us but even in times of hunger people are desperate to sell small amounts of food to raise cash for school fees and other essentials such as soap, sugar and cooking oil. The CDJ team offer higher prices so the local farmers receive a fair price for that food they must sell.

so much for your faithful prayer support for Julian while he was away and for your ongoing prayerful and financial support of the churches in Malawi. This time Julian concentrated on holding several small conferences, as well as meeting with several churches. The former focused on encouraging and training church leaders, as well as providing opportunities for discussion and prayer with the senior leaders.



Truck loaded with bags of maize going from the field to the CDJ warehouse for the Mercy Work programme 2024 hunger relief.



The Dedza leaders at the training centre on the farm. From left to right starting at the back shows Amai Charles, a woman from Bisiketi, Joseph, Banet, Charles, John, Jacob. At the front Amai Joseph, 2 men from Bisiketi, Tomas Banda

Given the rapid growth of the church over recent years even with the significant purchase of maize that our team were able to buy it is insufficient to help everyone. There remains a great need for the church to continue to seek God’s help to enable her to survive the famine. Please pray along with us for our brothers and sisters during this difficult time.

2½ months have passed since Julian returned from his latest visit to the churches in Malawi. There was much to give thanks for. Thank you

The most significant meetings were undoubtedly those he shared with the leaders as they met with God in times of prayer, during and around such times of studying God’s word together. Some precious times indeed. The teaching concentrated principally on allowing the indwelling life of the Spirit of Christ to guide us, and to reign within us. Whilst not new teaching, on this occasion it was as if the team heard with new understanding. This was their time to receive this help.

Subsequently Julian has received reports that particularly in his former home district of Dedza several of the leaders have been baptised in the Spirit, leading them to have renewed levels of love for God, understanding of His word and power in their ministries. They continue to wait on God for more of His presence. In the meantime the churches in this district are growing rapidly, and new churches are being

planted both in Dedza and over the border in Mozambique.



John Seda teaching Rooted in Jesus while visiting members at Kankowe village, T/A Nthondo. Subject: God knows us better than ourselves, from the Book of Psalms 139 1–16. He is a loving God. Amen



Dedza District youth ministries launching day, leadership meeting held on 13th July 2024 at Tsumba. The theme of the day was “Impacting the young generation with the gospel of the Kingdom of God” from Mark 10 14–15. The youth leaders were challenged and empowered to remember their Creator in the days of their youth, from Ecclesiastes 12 1



Women's day ministries event at Nyombe Church on 30th June 2024. The theme of the year is, “Be baptized with the Holy Spirit”. This was a continuation of Julian's teaching when visiting the church this year. He left the church with the emphasis of teaching the power of Holy Spirit. Women have shared the gospel of Jesus with people gathered there following the advice in Acts 1 4, “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised”.



This photo was taken on 28th July 2024 and shows a woman testifying that she is healed from anaemia sickness and delivered from demonic bondage from which she was suffering for a long time. She also had problems of alcoholic drunkenness and a gambling addiction but now she is free because of prayer from believers and elders in the church at Nyombe. She also thanks God for the teaching from Rooted in Jesus which has impacted and changed her life in body and spirit.

SaltMalawi supports the work of the Disciples of Jesus churches in Malawi that were founded by Julian and Caroline Lott and are now under Malawian leadership

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