



## AN UPDATE

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# MALAWI



Reports from Reach Out's Global Ministry astound and encourage us. Our Country Leaders are truly heroes! The price they pay to train others in the face of the incredible hardships is steep and is now compounded by the effects of Covid-19. The length of their reach is long in places like Malawi. Their extraordinary disciple-making results from applying Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry training. Because of outreach into schools and churches, thousands of young people are following Jesus!

These are but a few of the numerous stories, pictures, and videos we have received telling of their victories and the Lord's faithfulness. Your investment gives our Malawi team the financial capacity required to carry out this ministry. Thank you for letting God use you in such a significant and wonderful way!

Country Leader

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Billy Banda



## Thanks to the Lord...

Thanks to the Lord for the opportunity to serve with Reach Out Youth Solutions! And thank you to the African Director, Rev. Obadiah Ogosi, and all who financially help to make this wonderful ministry possible.

On Feb 7, 2020, we conducted a Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry (JFYM) Forum at Sharpvale Living Waters Church in Ntcheu district, central to Malawi. We had 21 denominations in attendance and 99 participants. Three Eagle leaders (JFYM Trainers)--myself, Pastor Moses Dzonzi, and Brother Patrick Msowoya facilitated the Forum.





## Pastors' Appreciation

Click to hear, "Thank You" in [Video 1](#), [Video 2](#)

In our last session, pastors publicly spoke in appreciation of the training:

*JFYM opened our eyes to the weak areas of the Church leadership in handling the youth.*

*We have been very committed to the gospel work, but today we have seen that we are lacking in many ways as far as discipleship of the young generation is concerned. Thank you for this ministry that has shown us a way to disciple young people.*

*I personally am satisfied with the JFYM training. When I heard that the Kenyan pastor was not coming, I almost decided to leave. But when these young men started teaching, I'm now convinced that our own people can be used of God in a mighty way. In the past it was only the white people who could present these deeper teachings.*

Although the standard for the JFYM training is a maximum of 60 participants, I received a request that more church leaders wanted to attend. We allowed 3 extra people per congregation. We were overwhelmed at the response; 99 people participated. We thank God that we were able to feed them, and to allow JFYM to spread across Malawi.



## Pray For Malawi

Please keep us in your prayers as the pressure of our work increases. We continue to receive invitations from across Malawi to train local church leaders and other denominations in Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry. We need more Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry books for this extra denomination work. Pray with us as we have started a Chichewa translation of Jesus-Focused Youth Ministry. Malawi has a large percentage of illiteracy. Those who can read and write in English are found mostly in towns and cities, and most leaders in rural areas are Chichewa readers. Because we are taking JFYM to all corners of Malawi, we want to reach the rural masses that are the majority. Once we have the funds, we can move forward with this important translation and printing project. God bless all of you who bless us, mentor us, and provide for our training needs!

## Most Recent Update

As of August 6th in Malawi, there have been 154 leaders trained, 300 students and adults saved, 126 baptized in one of their forums, 99 leaders from seven different denominations who attended. Two churches have since adopted the ministry and are discipling students in their regions, 14 college students have been disciplined and are now reaching others in their colleges.