



2021 UPDATE

MALAWI





Billy Banda Kamphata Country Leader



Every country around the world has been affected by the pandemic throughout 2021, including our Reach Out communities.

Yet, Reach Out's global leaders reported again and again ways that God continued to move through their countries despite the challenges from the ensuing pandemic, newly implemented country regulations and restrictions, and some countries directly facing conflicts of war.

But God showed himself faithful through it all, with new JFYM certifications, thousands of newly trained JFYM youth leaders, opened up new countries, and hundreds of newly saved believers.

Many pictures provided to us revealed God's mercy and greatness throughout our nation and those we serve in other countries around the globe.

Thank you for your continued financial partnership and dedication to help us in preparing these leaders to be more ready than ever in 2022, and bring even more of both Generations Z and Alpha to Jesus in this coming year!





And many gave testimonies...

JFYM grads shared how they were impacted



This woman leader shared with our team how the JFYM training helped her so much in why it is so important to help encourage the youth around her. She said as a leader at the church she was so appreciative because she understands that the youth are going to be the leaders of tomorrow.

At another JFYM Forum, a 43-year-long pastor above on the right expressed how thankful he was for the JFYM training because the youth in his church have nowhere to go. He was very excited and eager to get back and implement the JFYM principles into his youth ministry!

And this pastor on the middle left shared how the youth in their nation have been tremendously neglected. He expressed how this training was such an eye-opener and revealed to him that the youth are the leaders of the future and how they can help them not only in the church but in their society.

The pastor on the bottom left shared how powerful the JFYM message was and how well everything was facilitated – so much so he felt they were very blessed because as a pastor it is rare to receive that type of teaching. He shared that once pastors graduate from theological colleges or seminaries in Malawi, they don't receive teachings such as this. He expressed he wants us to keep going back to his area [Salima] for other pastors to benefit as they benefitted from the training

JFYM's Reach in Malawi

Whether through JFYM Forums, baptisms, sports evangelism, mentorship, discipleship, or even during a pandemic, we are proud of the dedication and service of our Malawi team. They help to model Jesus' ministry so that leaders are empowered to lead the youth in the ministries they serve.





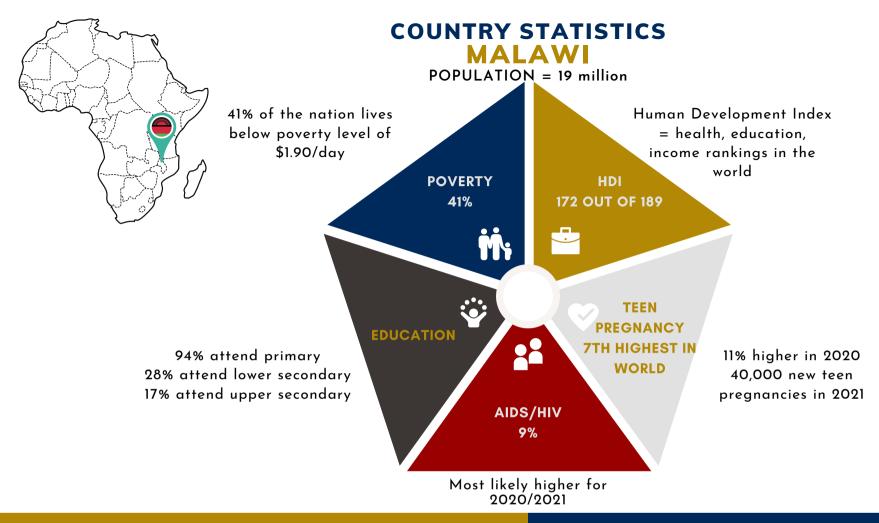
Malawi is already an extremely challenged country, facing circumstances of 75,000 orphaned children in the township of Balaka alone due to their parents' passing of AIDS, in addition to the Covid-19 pandemic. It is also known as one of the most impoverished countries in the world. Children are already fending for their lives and using tactics of survival, such as dropping out of school, stealing, selling drugs, and prostitution just to make ends meet. Reach Out trained over 3,441+ JFYM youth leaders in 2021 to begin discipling and ministering to these youth, as well as training more local leaders to be an outstretched arm to their nation. Our leaders used whatever environment was available for them to minister to the Malawi people, such as this picture on the left.

Billy Banda's testimony mentions several men God used in his life to lead and mentor him, to where he then began leading the Reach Out training in his country. Now, mentoring has become engrained in Billy's life. His practice of mentorship and discipleship to others such as Moses and Zephaniah led them to now mentor others. He and his team also started the practice of discipling children and teens, offering baptisms, and more to reach the younger generation in their communities. Our training materials teach "The Progression of the Leadership Team" (I do it. I do it and they are with me. They do it and I am with them. They do it and I am in the background to encourage.) Thank you, Billy, for leading by example!

We also received so many testimonial videos from JFYM graduates who expressed how much the forums helped them that we can't even share all of them with you here! We give God praise for these and ask you to pray for these leaders as they implement what they learned in helping the younger generation in the ministries they serve.

Thank you for being a part of this journey and for your contributions to what God is doing in Malawi! Reach Out and our country team are very grateful for your dedication and service as we train and resource the youth leaders in this nation!

We look forward to providing you more of these stories and photos in 2022!



Challenges

- 80% of people live in rural areas, recurrent drought propels food shortages, natural disasters, all bring economic insecurity
- Less than 25% of the population has safe sanitation or drinking water available, with 30% of the population needing to travel 30+ minutes to obtain drinking water
- 66% of the population are under age 25, with 53% under 18-years-old
- Highest rate of child marriage in the world [47% before 18-years-old]
- Malnutrition is very high with almost 50% of children under 5 being stunted
- Less than HALF of the children complete primary school

Reach Out

- A gift of \$1,000 helps indigenous leaders train 50 youth pastors through an "in-person" forum in their country.
- A gift of \$500 helps provide scholarships to train and mentor 20 youth pastors online.
- A gift of \$200 (\$3.85 per week) helps us equip 1 leader for 1 year, with the goal of that leader moving from being introduced to JFYM to implementing and multiplying JFYM. As a result, that new leader will begin training 3 additional leaders, so that from those 4 new leaders, there are a total of 12 young people discipled and praying for opportunities to influence 36 of their friends to follow Jesus.
- A monthly gift of \$100 helps us continue current ministry to leaders around the world who are trained and resourced through Reach Out.