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"He shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified and meet for the master's use and prepared unto every good work." 2 Tim 2:21

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Dearest Friends,

Measurement in the Word is so very different to the way we, as humans view it. ³*And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; ⁴And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:*

⁵*Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:*

⁶*And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.*

⁷*And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:*

⁸*But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold."*

Matt 13:3-8.

We first of all read the scripture thinking that the thirty and sixty fold return happened because the seed fell beside the road or fell on rocky ground but the thirty and sixty fold came from the same ground as that of the hundred fold return. It all fell in the good soil and grew and was watered and tended as that of the hundred fold.

Secondly, we always think of an hundredfold being 100 x 100. It actually means that the seed has generated to its fullest promise and shows us the Biblical law of increase as opposed to how man and science views increase.

Ultimately it is up to you and me. As always, God gives the opportunity and it depends what we do with it. We need to gauge everything by the way that we hear it or by what we read and we need respond accordingly.

Think about the spies who were sent into the Promise Land. Two of them gauged the situation very differently than the rest of the ten. Ten saw the cup half empty and two saw the cup half full. Ten saw the giants and then the grapes and Joshua and Caleb saw the giant grapes and then the giants. I can believe God for gold fillings or I can believe that He will actually restore my teeth completely. God operates and moves within the margins we create.

When we become born again we are all on a level playing field or we have been planted into good ground. We will bring forth only as much seed or fruit as we give measure to. Do we look at ourselves as grasshoppers in the sight of the giants or do we see ourselves as the warriors that the Lord has purposed us to be.

Be careful with whom you are associated. I remember

having a friend who lived in the East Coast time zone who would call me three or four times a week at five in the morning on her way to the gym. She would talk about the situation in the Washington area and it would always be so very negative, critical and complaining to the point where the rest of my day would be completely ruined. After the call I would get up and be depressed until I finally stopped taking her calls. Beware who you associate with because they can definitely affect your perspective and make your day a 30 fold return. Hang with those who see a half full cup.

Recently on my trip around the mid-west I heard one person comment that they wanted to lead just one person to the Lord in their life time. Hopefully that is long before they pass on and they realize that Jesus says to make disciples not just converts. I pray that they come to get a far greater vision and purpose than that – rather a 30 or 60 fold vision – 100 fold even!

The seed in this parable is the Word of God. When we read it we will decide whether we receive it or not and if we do, to what extent. When we look at the promises of God as stated anywhere in the Word we can say, "Maybe that will work for me...." "that's not for me but for someone else....." "I could never do that....." "That's easy, if God did it then He can do it now...." "If He went about healing ALL then I am a part of ALL and He will heal me now, today..." These are all gauges or measurements.

How we receive God's Word will direct what we do with it and ultimately make us 30, 60 or 100 fold returns. I want to see my life reach its fullest potential for the Kingdom – how about you? Are you a combine or do you still harvest by hand? What return are you getting?



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**REPORT FROM STANFORD SEMU FROM CHILEKA
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God is continuing to work wonders at the farm in Chileka. We had a wonderful prayer meeting on the 13th of July, 2016 at Chikunda farm. I was deeply touched by two men; one was an alcoholic and the other a sex addict. We began to sing praise songs and then jumped straight into prayer. These two men broke down and asked to be prayed for. They confessed before the King of heaven and we laid hands on them. I am very excited and at the same time humbled by what God is doing. We are privileged to see the Lord moving in an extraordinary way here at the farm. The alcoholic has found deliverance and peace in the Lord and has given his life to Jesus Christ. The sex addict is no longer in adultery, he's been freed by the saving power of our Lord Jesus Christ and is now enjoying his family. The Lord reconciled him with his wife and there is peace in their house. This reminds me of a powerful scripture that often times as Christians we are so busy and get lost in the things of this world and we are never satisfied. We should all seek to enter into God's rest and cease from our labors.

We continue to grow in the Lord and our door to door or house meetings are going on very well and I thank the Lord for his direction. I would like to thank God Almighty for giving us this ministry. I would also like to thank Pastor Roz for her love and support and may God bless and direct you so that the work that He's begun should flourish. I am grateful to God for Miss. Penny and Mr. Michael for their love and support and I pray to God that blesses you abundantly.

START OF THE CRUSADE



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REPORT FROM CHARLES AT TENGANI

I would like to give testimony to the work that the Spirit of God is doing at Tengani in Nsanje. I would like to encourage those who doubt that the word of God has the power to change and save people's lives to have faith in Jesus. God's eternal word has the power to transform us from the darkness of this world and bring us into the light that Jesus brings. We are witnesses of this changing and saving power of Christ here at Tengani. When you see alcoholics, demoniacs, chain smokers, and people in witchcraft instantly get freed, everything inside you shouts praises to the most high. There is no any other power in heaven and earth that can change lives save the name of Jesus the Christ, the son of the living God.

There is nothing the Lord cannot do. He made everything possible for us when he sent his only begotten son that whosoever believes in him should live. We asked the Lord to send us people to minister to at Tengani and he surely did. I have never experienced what I see now. God has given us the unbelievers and those who have come have been completely transformed by the word of God and his Christ.

We have a serious food problem in the Lower Shire and people have turned to eating a Shire River water lily called Nyika and others cross the Shire River into neighboring Mozambique. A certain young man from Tengani crossed the Shire and got a cut on his leg as he was trying to make his way into through the reeds. A few days later, his leg swelled up like a balloon from his knee to his toes. He could not walk for a week and his mother sent word to Pastor Peter and his wife Martha. We prayed together as a church and the following week, Pastor Peter and Martha visited this young man and prayed with him. The young man's mother is Christian but her son was an unbeliever. God touched this young man and his leg is healed, he's been transformed by the eternal word of God and received Jesus as his lord and savior.

Jesus Christ is still working and his word is the same today as it were when he fed the 5000 and healed the sick 2000 years ago. All the church has to do is step out in faith and do God's work.

PETER TEACHING



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REPORT FROM PETER ON THE ELDERLY PEOPLE

I praise the Lord for his mercy and loving-kindness in taking care of the elderly especially now with the food shortage that has left so many devastated in Nsanje. So many people are living on NYIKA, a Shire River water lily tuber which taste like sweet potatoes but there is great danger in getting them because of the crocodiles. Our God is faithful and I am more than certain that the almighty God will not desert us now.

I would like to congratulate the elderly in Chimombo who meet for bible study and prayer every day. God has given us a mandate to go and preach the gospel and it does not matter how young, or old or inexperienced we might be. The word of God is true and straightforward. It only requires those who are hungry enough and willing to be used of God. I was visiting Chief Kumbukani in the Chimombo area on July 4th, 2016. I was amazed to find them sharing the word of God and before long they broke up into groups of two and scattered all over the village preaching and laying hands on the sick. This is what we ought to be doing as Christians. So many of us have heard the Word of God for as long as we can remember but have never shared the Word with others. The time has come for an adjustment in our faith and if these old people can do it, so can we.

I am pleased to report that Marka has a similar story as that of Chimombo. The elderly in Marka visit each other in their homes and have bible studies and prayer meetings. They encourage one another as well as creating great relationships in the Lord. When one is sick or weak, they come together as a group and pray for the sick and the weak. Christians should learn to complement one another as well as step out in love to complement our brothers and sisters who might be lacking in faith or just need encouragement. It was such a wonderful trip and I enjoyed chatting with these old people. I was overjoyed to hear that through faith their sicknesses were healed in the name of Jesus.

The sower soweth the Word (Mark 4:14). During the previous distribution, the elderly were encouraged to teach their children and grandchildren a work ethic like they had when they were still full of youth. They were encouraged to engage in Bible studies as well as opening up gardens to improve their nutrition. I am pleased to report that some have taken up the advice and started gardens. In Chididi, some old people and their grandchildren ~~had~~ harvesting sweet potatoes and vegetables which have helped them in this time of drought. We would like to thank Pastor Roz and Miss. Penny for their encouragement and support because out of the Word they sowed, good fruits have been harvested.

I would like to thank the Lord for the love, prayers, and support that I receive, and for Pastor Roz and all my brothers and sisters in Jesus. May the Almighty God ever bless you so that you may show this love to others. My wife sends her love to you and your families, God bless you all.

Amen.

CHIDIDI CRUSADE JULY 29-30 : FRANCIS REPORT

We have just returned from the Lower Shire where we had a three day crusade and it was such an extraordinary event. It was exiting to finally do a crusade with our brothers and sisters from Chididi and beyond after waiting for a good three months. We can only praise the Lord for making this event possible and thank him for the wonderful work that the Spirit is doing in Nsanje and neighboring Mozambique.

Like everything else that you set out to do in the name of the Lord, you make your little plans and deem them perfect and God just blows your mind away into a million pieces with an extraordinary response. We expected to host about 300 to 400 people over the three days we set for the crusade with respect to the distance people have to travel on foot and the locale of the event. We were stunned on the first day because we had over 300 people on Friday the 29th, with about 200 more arriving at approximately 2-hour intervals through the night. From Tengani across the Shire River in Malawi to Jambawe across the Zambezi in Mozambique the people came to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ and have fellowship with their brothers and sisters in the Lord. While some retired to bed after midnight to prepare for the next day, the rest of us formed a big circle under the African stars and there was much singing and rejoicing through the night. We danced, we sang, we prayed for a visitation of the Holy Spirit and for the Lord to touch Chididi in a special way. There were many who manifested and were delivered, the sick were healed and the Lord was glorified.

There were so many people uncounted for throughout the crusade as many people would come and go because of the distance they had to travel the following day. None of us anticipated to minister to about 800 people in three days due to the treacherous terrain and rivers people have to cross to get to Chididi, bearing in mind that everyone coming to the crusade either walked 10 or 20 miles to get there. We were all stunned, overwhelmed, and grateful to be partakers in the ministry of Jesus Christ. We dubbed the crusade, "It is Time for Chididi and Beyond to Know Jesus." One of our pastors, Stenala Mthumba, who is also a chief in his village said often times we miss our opportunity to establish a great relationship with Jesus because we fail to confess our sins. We cannot know the great mysteries of heaven if we are still holding on to the things of this world let alone have a relationship with Christ when we are still entrenched in sin. The first step to knowing Christ is confessing our sins and submitting to His will. We were all encouraged by the message because there are many in the body of Christ who have been saved for years and yet do not share a real relationship with Jesus. The time has come for all to begin to share more intimate relationship with Jesus and tear down the walls that we have raised, walls that prevent us from enjoying Christ because we do not want to submit to his will.

I could not fail to notice that we had so many children and old people at meal times during the crusade. These people came from nearby villages because they just nearby villages because they just

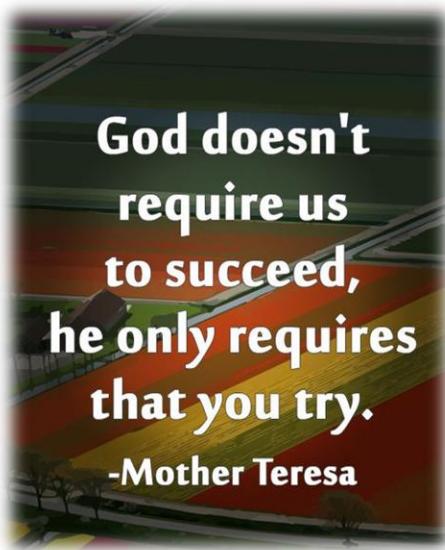
wanted to have something to eat. This was a great opportunity to preach the gospel to unbelievers but also a constant reminder that the drought in Malawi is serious and we are in desperate need to experience a supernatural touch of God that will lift us out of this situation. The eternal word of God teaches us that God is able even to move mountains and change every situation that we might be facing. God used the crows to feed Elijah in times of drought; the same God rescued Israel through Joseph, and fed the church in the wilderness. God's word is eternal and true; it does not change but needs the faithful to apply it for his presence to come down.

Beloved is there was ever a time when you doubted the touching and changing power of the word of God I say to you now that God has the power to transform your life and situations. I am reminded of how our sins are washed away. The Blood of Jesus has Power and this power shall never fade away. When our clothes are dirty, we wash them clean by APPLYING the best detergent available and likewise when we are dirty, we take a shower or a bath and APPLY soap to our bodies to be clean and refreshed. Our clothes do not get clean by putting them next to soap and water and neither do we get clean by standing next to the best perfumed soap. We have to APPLY the soap. It is the same thing with the word of God and the Precious Blood of Jesus. We have to apply it to our lives and our situations for us to experience a supernatural touch of God today. We had so many people coming to the crusade and we were quickly running short of food supplies. We prayed to the Lord and somehow he made it possible for us to feed everyone who came. We witnessed over a hundred people giving their lives to Jesus, drunkards and chain-smokers get free, the sick get healed, the broken were restored in the name of Jesus the Christ, the son of the Living God. I am more certain now more than ever that it does not matter who you are or wherever you may be; it certainly does not matter what your situation is might be so long as you are willing to apply the blood of Jesus, and step out in faith to meet the Lord of Hosts half way, He will surely touch you in extraordinary way. We are grateful to God for the privilege that he has given us in his service and would like to extent our gratitude to you all. We would like to thank you for your support and prayers and we pray to heaven that God the Father continues to bless and reward you exceedingly in the mighty name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



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We are going ahead with the dormitories for the Bible School. If you are able to help us in any way we will be very grateful.

We are trying to break down the costs for the dormitories to make it easier for supporters to understand. The sooner we can build these, the sooner we can begin to teach these wonderful pastors who are desperate to study the Word and be taught the basics.

Foundations:	\$ 300
Bricks:	\$3,500
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Bunk Beds:	\$ 400
Mattresses:	\$ 480
Desks:	\$ 560
Chairs:	\$ 400

The last thing I wanted to do was to build but it seems that this is what the Lord would have us do. Building for the right reason is all we need to know and these buildings will be effective for the growth of the Kingdom in this area. We plan to have effective pastors, children's church leaders, youth pastors and outreach workers for women.