

**Wed 28** Give thanks for Pastor Maliro who has been working with him, encouraging newly-planted churches through teaching and sharing in outreach.

**Thu 29** Pray for Pastor Maliro who was recently appointed to Chitipa ZEC to help build up and stabilise the church.

#### **Chiyanjano (Women's Fellowship Mw)**

**Fri 30** Pray for Mrs Chilembwe and Mrs Fungatira, that they would lead with wisdom and insight.

#### **May**

**Sat 1** Give thanks for Mary Chaomba, training and equipping women in the Northern Region.

Pray for Ralph Gunn, who celebrates his birthday today.

**Sun 2** Women are often the backbone of the church as well as the rural economy. Pray for them.

**Mon 3 - Tue 4 - EBCoM Spiritual Emphasis days:** pray that staff and students may hear God speaking to them.

#### **Sunday School**

**Wed 5** Pray for Mrs Jessie Makina, encouraging and training Sunday School teachers in Northern Region.

**Thu 6** Continue to thank God for the many men and women teaching in Sunday Schools.

#### **Orphan Day Care Centres (ODCs)**

at **Chifunga, Mphongo, Nthorowa** and **Ntonda**.

**Fri 7** Give thanks for those whose faithful giving ensures that ODCs can provide food, clothing and medical help.

**Sat 8** Pray that Bible teaching and discipleship of the children would remain central to these programmes.

**Sun 9** Pray that the churches would continue to find volunteers who see caring for orphans as an expression of true religion (Jas1:27).

**Mon 10** The ODC at Nthorowa recently opened a new building and can now cater for 40 – 50 more children. Pray for good development of the centre.

**Tue 11** Pray in the extra funds needed to meet the running costs of this expansion.

**Wed 12** Pray that ODC would continue to be a positive witness to the community.

#### **Health and Rural Development**

**Thu 13** Remember Alfred Ndoya, Development Co-ordinator as he evaluates current projects and works with ZEC leaders on plans for the future.

**Fri 14** Pray for the staff at **Ntonda Rural Hospital** and **Nthorowa, Chiole Muluma, Matanda & Lumbira (Mitsidi)** health centres, that they may have wisdom, strength, grace and patience as they minister to patients.

**Sat 15** Give thanks for the antenatal and under-fives clinics being run by the health centres in the surrounding villages.

**Sun 16** Give thanks for sponsorship for two nurses to be

trained for rural health ministry.

**Mon 17** Pray that they would find fulfilment in committing themselves to serving rural communities.

**Tue 18** AIDS is still a widespread problem: pray that the church would show compassion to those with it, and to their families, friends & the many children orphaned by it.

**Wed 19** Pray that Christians will be seen to be giving practical help to those who suffer from AIDS.

**Thu 20** Myra Wilson celebrates her birthday today.

**Fri 21** Thank God for the specialist HIV/AIDS clinic developed at Muluma. Pray that experience gained here will be shared at other health centres.

**Sat 22** Pray for Harry Kamwaza, Education Co-ordinator, and the future of the ZEC education programme.

**Sun 23 EBCoM Sunday.** Pray that this would be a day when local churches recognise the importance of training and equipping people as church leaders and elders.

**Mon 24** Give thanks for a trust in the UK which continues to provide sponsorship in ZEC schools.

#### **Fellowship of Youth (FoY), Malawi**

**Tue 25** Give thanks for the enthusiasm of FoY groups for gospel outreach. Pray that they will be supported in this by more experienced members of their churches.

**Wed 26** Pray for FoY Co-ordinator Willard Muwalo and other FoY supporters, that they would be wise mentors.

#### **Children For Christ Ministries (CFCM)**

**Thu 27** Thank God for White Zibophe, recently appointed as a staff worker to work with Elevate Mizinga.

**Fri 28** Pray that God would call many more men and women to be teachers in Sunday School and to run Bible Clubs. (Today is also EBCoM Open Day.)

**Sat 29** Give thanks for all who have the responsibility of teaching the Bible to children.

**Sun 30** Give thanks for AQUAID, for Angus and Lisa Gaisford and for all they do in Malawi.

**Mon 31** Pray for Hugh Brown, his witness and prison



## **In Prayer**

**March - May 2010**

'... in humility consider others better than yourselves... look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others' (Phil 2:3-4, NIV).

#### **March**

##### **ZM in Malawi**

**Mon 1** Pray for ZM staff, supporting and encouraging Malawian Christians in their varied 'works of service for the Lord'.

**Tue 2** Remember Abraham and Ruth Folayan who, with many leadership responsibilities, still find time to mentor students and church leaders.

**Wed 3** Give thanks for Zion Majiga on maternity leave until the end of April. Pray for Kirsty Kanyumi covering for her in the ZM office.

**Thu 4** David and Kirsty Kanyumi ask you to pray that they would keep God central. Preaching commitments, college responsibilities and planning their home assignment (June - October) keep them well occupied.

**Fri 5** Pray that Ethan would continue to flourish in nursery and grow in his knowledge of the Lord.

**Sat 6** Pray for health and strength for Robbie and Lesley Beaton, as well as discernment and patience to see what the Lord will do with them in Malawi.

**Sun 7** Pray for Colin Beaton who is 8 today.

**Mon 8** Give thanks for the Beaton children - Rachel, Colin, Hope, Jesse and Yamika. Pray that they may be a delight to all whom they visit and to all who visit them.

##### **ZM in the UK**

**Tue 9** Margaret Court, Bill Wilson and Jim Hasnip visited Malawi in February. Pray for them as they work through the practical outcomes of that visit.

**Wed 10** Continue to pray for John Finlayson, now making progress following major surgery last year. Pray for his wife Janette, too, as there is still a long way to go.

**Thu 11** Pray for Dave Brown, UK Development Manager, as he searches out volunteers to represent and support ZM in other areas of the UK.

**Fri 12** Pray for Myra Wilson, who broke her ankle in December. This has restricted her ministry.

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**Sat 13** Remember Ralph Gunn, a volunteer rep who has been working hard to develop ZM contacts in southern Scotland.

**Sun 14** Remember Colin Cresswell, still preaching most Sundays and representing ZM at midweek mission meetings.

**Mon 15** Pray for Tom Jardine, a volunteer rep based in Bournemouth, as he contacts individuals and churches in southern England, seeking to involve them with ZM.

**Tue 16** Give thanks for Richard Brassington ZM Administrator, as he co-ordinates work in the York office.

**Wed 17** Pray for Anthony Masala, (former ZEC Education and Youth Co-ordinator) arriving in UK on Friday. He comes as a guest of York Baptist Church, but will be involved in a youth meeting in Mold, N. Wales, this coming weekend.

**Thu 18** He travels to York next week to take part in the youth programmes of York Baptist Church until he returns to Malawi on 12th April.

### The Evangelical Bible College of Malawi (EBCoM)

#### Significant changes at EBCoM

Principal **Louis Ndheka** resigned in February to take up a lectureship in Zomba at the Department of Theology in the University of Malawi.

**Michael John Phiri** is Acting Principal.

**Short Courses on Applied Theology:** EBCoM now continues during college vacations, and runs the Theological Extension Course some Saturday mornings.

**The Malawi Department of Education** is changing the academic year from September to June, so the current academic year will end this August. The next academic year will start in October 2010 and finish in June 2011.

**Fri 19** As EBCoM's first term ends, pray for all that goes on during the college vacation.

**Sat 20** Pray for wisdom for Michael John Phiri as he seeks to give godly leadership to the college at this time.

**Sun 21** Remember Louis Ndheka as he takes up his new appointment at Malawi University.

**Mon 22** Remember all EBCoM lecturers as they squeeze a year's teaching into seven months!

**Tue 23** Pray for the UK Executive, meeting today, as they seek God's direction for ZM ministry in Malawi.

**Wed 24** Pray for the UK Staff, meeting today.

**Thu 25** There are twelve ladies on the Pastors' Wives programme this year. Thank God that five have already given their lives to Christ. Pray for Mercy Mkwezalamba as she teaches and disciples this group.

**Fri 26** Two short courses began yesterday on Preaching & Homiletics and Marriage & Family Life. Marriage Enrichment Seminars begin on April 9th. Pray for all participants.

**Sat 27** Pray for Robert Yanduya, a recently appointed lecturer, who is Dean of Students and also the Extension Programme Co-ordinator.

**Sun 28** Thank God for sponsors of students and contributors to the Bert Matthews fund, which helps national lecturers to upgrade their qualifications.

**Mon 29** Pray for the non-academic staff, that they would see the daily maintenance, repair, cooking and cleaning as spiritually significant in the life of the college.

**Tue 30** Pray for the 84 residential students and the families and communities they represent.

**Wed 31** Remember SIM mission partners at EBCoM: Ruth Guinness and Megumi & Helen Fazakerley.

#### April

**Thu 1** Pray for Jonathan & Erica Lloyd and Steve & Renee Ginder of Brethren In Christ World Mission (BICWM).

**Fri 2 Good Friday** Jonathan, the bursar, is working through the financial implications of changes at EBCoM.

**Sat 3** Steve Ginder (BICWM) is a lecturer who plays a big part in construction projects at the college.

**Sun 4 Easter** Pray that EBCoM Council will have wisdom as they seek to appoint a new principal.

#### Zambesi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Mozambique

**Mon 5** Pray for Synod leaders, chairman Joseph Baison and his deputy Robert Daniel.

**Tue 6** Pray for ZEC General Secretary Francisco Khumayo and his deputy Enoch Zuze.

**Wed 7** Give thanks for Lizzie Hasnip, Jim's daughter-in-law, in her work as his Honorary PA and on her birthday today.

#### Churchplanting in Mozambique (Mz)

**Thu 8** Remember David Waite as he responds to the differing needs of rural and town churchplanters.

**Fri 9** Pray especially for churchplanters Akorinto Bito and Innocent Moffatt, feeling isolated in times of need.

**Sat 10** Rejoice with Kondwani Kwerani (from EBCoM) who, following ministry at Msambiro ZEC, is able to say, 'I am no longer afraid to be sent as a churchplanter'.

**Sun 11** Pray for Kondwani and his wife Evet as they seek an assignment where their skills would be used to revitalise a 'struggling church'.

**Mon 12** Pray for students at EBCoM as their second term begins.

**Chiyanjano** (Women's Fellowship Mz)

**Tue 13** Ruth Smart (Chiyanjano Co-ordinator) continues to

visit and encourage Chiyanjano leaders. Pray that the Lord would give her words of wisdom and insight.

#### Fellowship of Youth (FoY Mz)

**Wed 14** Mozambique FoY Co-ordinator, Isaac Fainoti, reports that 195 young people & 5 pastors attended a youth event in June, and 7 people accepted Christ as Saviour. Pray for the discipling of these young people and for Bibles.

**Thu 15** In July 345 young people & 11 pastors attended a national event entitled Youth are Future Leaders (Phil3:17) and 13 became Christians. Give thanks to God.

#### Zambesi Evangelical Church (ZEC) Malawi

**Fri 16** Uphold the ZEC congregations in prayer as they seek good Biblical teaching and desire to live by what they learn.

**Sat 17** Pray that pastors and elders would be equipped to respond to this hunger for God's Word, perhaps through the Booksets Refresher Conference later this year.

**Sun 18** Pray for Synod leaders, Winston Chidzambuyo (Acting Chairman), Malison Ndau (Gen Secretary) and his deputy Wilfred Banda that they may serve 'as Christ served the Church'.

**Mon 19** Pray for Jessie Beaton who is three today.

**Tue 20** Pray for ZEC national leaders as they prepare for the Biennial Synod coming up in August.

**Wed 21** Pray that wealthier urban churches may be able to provide for the needs of poorer rural ones.

#### Churchplanting (Mw)

**Thu 22** Thank God for all who give generously to sponsor churchplanters.

**Fri 23** Pray newly-formed churches will value those who minister to them and be ready to provide for their support.

#### Regional Superintendents (RS)

**Sat 24** Remember the regional superintendents and pray that they would continue to provide good leadership and encouragement in their regions.

**Sun 25** Pray for Mark Kayenda, RS South, with two newly-formed churches in his region, as he seeks to encourage church leaders.

**Mon 26** Also pray for Joe Tsokalida, RS, travelling widely to support pastors and elders in Central Region.

**Tue 27** Pray for Eric Mpanga, RS North, who has stood down for disciplinary reasons.

*In December the Karonga area in northern Malawi was struck by a series of earthquakes. 4,600 households were affected. Remember the sick, injured and homeless. Pray that churches in this area would demonstrate the love of Christ as they respond.*