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# Missionaries to Malawi, Africa

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*John 9:4*  
*I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.*

## JULY-AUGUST, 2004

Dear Pastor & Church Family,

I wanted to thank you all for your many faithful prayers for me while I traveled and while I visited Malawi, Africa for three weeks from Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. I had a safe and pleasant trip as well as a very profitable one. Melody greatly appreciated your prayers for her and our children while I was away from them. Our National Pastors and their church families also wanted me to personally express their gratitude to you all for your numerous prayers for them.

Our Lord blessed my preaching and revival meetings in a blessed way and in a very powerful way. Nine people were saved during these three weeks. Many Christians were encouraged to "keep on keeping on" for their Lord, and some other Christians came forward to repent of sins in their lives. My National Pastors gave me ministry reports informing me that 11 people were saved through their local church efforts during this time. Two new pastors asked me to come to their villages in Nicheu and in Chikwawa to help them plant many more Fundamental Baptist Churches and to begin Bible Colleges in their respective villages. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few." (Matthew 9:37 b)

Our gracious God saved Edson Kuloko in a wonderful way. Edson lived right next to our new church in Makalanga Village. He had been vandalizing our church by taking some of our timbers from our church at night and selling them, so he could buy some beer and chamba (marijuana). This made our church leaders very angry about this problem and rightly so. They wanted me to put him into jail right away. I asked them to pray that God would help us with this problem, and I would talk to him later.

After preaching a revival service at this church, I noticed two men sitting in front of their house. I asked Brother Wells Mwachande if this was the man who was vandalizing our church. He replied, "Yes." I gave the Gospel to his father, but he told me that he was a saved man. When I asked Edson if he had been saved, he told me, "No." Then I gave him the Gospel and asked him if he wanted to be saved. And he answered, "Yes." He bowed his head and asked the Lord to save him. Then I invited him to come to our church the next day. He showed up the next day and told our church family, "When I saw the missionary coming yesterday, I thought he was going to put me into jail. But he gave me the Gospel and I was saved." Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Please remember to pray for our safety as we travel upon the many crowded and dangerous interstates here in the States. Pray that William and Hannah will be saved as soon as they are able to understand the Gospel. Please pray for my mother and my Nanny (Grandmother) as both of them are in the hospital at this time. My mother had knee replacement surgery, and she is presently receiving physical therapy. My 91 year old Nanny is having problems eating and retaining her body fluids. They are both recovering from their physical problems, but they still need your prayers.

It is a great honor to be called to labor with our gracious God. He is truly doing a marvelous work in Malawi, Africa. We are faithfully doing His will, and we are trying to stay out of His way as he works through us. We also count it a great privilege to be co-laborers with you all in the ministry in Malawi, Africa for the glory of God. Thank you for your prayers, and thank you for your giving.

Serving by His grace,

*The Askbury Family*  
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