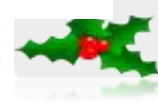




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Dear Friends of Charity Service Faith Mission:

Welcome to CSF Mission "Hope for a Brighter Future" Annual Newsletter.

As we continue to display God's love in our **Local Community and Malawi, Africa**, we want to thank those of you who have been with us on this journey from the beginning. And for those who are recently acquainted with our organization, welcome!

### ABOUT CSF MISSION

*CSF Mission is a federal non-profit organization - established on April 10<sup>th</sup> 2021, with a vision to see a world where access to opportunities and resources are available to everyone regardless of where they live or their economic status.*

Our philanthropic giving serves communities both locally and internationally.

**Our local involvement** started in 2017 as a result of one of its founder (Jasmin Edwards) desire to help homeless women within her community, by providing care packages.

**Our Foreign Mission** started in 2017 and is about the power of two friend's (Jasmin Edwards and Dawn Edwards) efforts to improve the lives of others and, through their efforts, many other people wanting to get involved to share in this giving outreach. CSF Mission's founders, Jasmin Edwards and Dawn Edwards first visited Malawi in May 2017 with Habitat for Humanity Global Village as volunteers to build houses for vulnerable families. They had the opportunity to visit the local village school (Mtendere Primary) and found the children ready and eager to learn in spite of the lack of resources and opportunities that would help them reach their full potential. They saw classrooms void of desks and benches, limited school supplies, and overcrowded classrooms. During a conversation with the school headmaster, they were informed that absenteeism among girls was high, especially due to their inability to purchase sanitary pads during their menstruation cycle. Then and there, Jasmin and Dawn decided that they would do what they could to get resources into the school.

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### LOCAL GIVING INITIATIVES

CSF Mission locally is to meet the needs of the less fortunate in our community in small but tangible ways by working in partnership with local organization to provide care packages for homeless women, and food baskets/products to distribute to those in need.



This mission began in 2017 where we provided homeless women and girls with hygiene care packages each containing items such as toothpaste, tooth brush, body wash, deodorant, shampoo, body lotion, socks and most importantly sanitary pads. These packages are donated annually to various drop-in centers within the community. We have since added food donations through local churches.



### LOOKING BACK – 2017-2021

Year	Initiatives	Number	Donated To
2017	Care Packages	30	Regeneration Non-profit Organization
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2019	Care Packages	30	Regeneration Non-profit Organization
2020		0	Covid Pandemic
2021	Care Packages	20	Our Place of Peel/Salvation Army Youth Shelter

### 2022 ACHIEVEMENTS

We donated five chickens to our local church to be included in their holiday food baskets for their members in need.

**We have great plans for the expansion of our local giving. Stay Tuned!**





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#### FOREIGN MISSION

**Our foreign mission** is a direct response to the lack of education and economic opportunities in poor communities (villages) in Malawi. Many children are unable to read, write and count; many young adults who have not been able to complete their education are lacking the foundational and high level skills for work and life; and women usually the bread winner lacks the financial support to provide for their families resulting in just barely surviving.

Our goal is working in partnership with poor communities to **encourage, empower and equip vulnerable children, young adults and women by providing support in education, skills training, and sustainable farming.**

Our intent is to reduce poverty, foster economic growth, and encouraged social development while ensuring those in need are equipped to overcome daily challenges, and take advantage of economic and lifelong learning opportunities.

For this reason, *CSF Mission supports the following programs:*

- **Education** - (Scholarships, Personal Hygiene, School Supplies, Clean Water, Literacy/Library)
- **Skills Training** – Young Adults (18 to 25)
- **Sustainable Farming** – Women
- **Emergency Relief** – Community

#### LOOKING BACK (2018 – 2021)

YEAR	INITIATIVES	TOTAL
2018	Desks and Chairs	270
2018	Back Packs with School Supplies	1000
2018	Plates & Cups Feeding Program	350
2018	Laptop	1
2018	1st Aid Kit	1
2018	Sanitary Pad Kits	200
2019	Books for Library - open library	1400
2019	Launch Scholarship Initiatives	3
2019	Sanitary Pad Kits	69
2020	Provide Clean drinking water -Install Bore Hole	1
2020	Food Donations	95
2020	Scholarships	2
2020	Sanitary Pad Kits	0
2021	Food Donations	75
2021	Scholarships	2
2021	Sanitary Pad Kits	30

### FOREIGN MISSION - 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

#### SCHOLARSHIPS

CSF Mission continues to invest in the future of students attending Mtendere Primary School in Mulanje, Malawi. This includes our annual scholarship awards. In the past, two students were awarded scholarships each

year.. However for 2022 five (5) students were beneficiaries of our scholarships. This was made possible because of our supporters' generosity-Thank You! We congratulate

**Yasmin Muthehe** who will be attending Gawani Secondary boarding school; **Shamila Muthehe, Thomas Ntonya,**

**Chisomo Kavalo and Matthewe Amidu** attending Chikhwanza Secondary Day School. Our scholarships not only assist students with paying school and examination fees but also uniforms, school supplies, text books, transportation and for girls, personal hygiene products such as soap and sanitary pads.

**Currently there are 11 students in the scholarship program.**



2022	2,335,000MK	C\$3,037.00
YTD	10,600,000MK	C\$13,787.00

#### HYGEINE – Sanitary Pads

Did you know that in Malawi 1 in 10 girls' misses or drops out of school entirely because of their inability to purchase sanitary pads? Yes! The availability of sanitary pads can determine whether or not girls stay in school and achieve their dreams.



Charity Service Faith Mission has been providing adolescents girls at Mtendere Primary School, Mulanje Malawi with re-useable sanitary pad kits so they don't have to miss or drop out of school. The kits can last up to 2 years and include 2 underwear 5 pads and soap. In addition, we also provide additional underwear to these girls each school year.

Thanks to your generosity, this year we will be able to provide re-useable sanitary pad kits for **50 menstruating girls**, both elementary and scholarship recipients. We are pleased to share that to date we have provided over **325 kits**.

*A period should not stop girls from living and following their dreams*





### FARMING PROJECT

"Let us each recommit to doing our part to end hunger and poverty where ever it exists" President Barack Obama



CSF Mission officially launched the 'Sustainable Farming' Initiative program in April where 30 women from the village of Kalilima 2 Mulanje, Malawi were given the opportunity in farming. Can you imagine the joy they felt to know that others care enough to invest in them and their community? God has been good to us and we were able to secure a piece of leased land for these village women to cultivate cash crops. Our first step was to purchase seeds such as Chinese vegetables, eggplants, onions, mustard, tomatoes and fertilizers. However, their success depended largely on support workers who instructed them in the basics of farming. The project was

implemented in May and ended in October. The vegetables provided the women with food source for their families and income from the sales at the local markets. The income from sales generated was approx. \$600 Canadian dollars (CDN). Not bad for a \$354 investment! As agreed, a portion of the income was distributed among these women to support their families and the balance of CDN \$134 was reinvested for purchase of the next year's crop. Our goal for next year is to include more women into the program so they too can become economically and socially empowered.

#### TESTIMONIALS

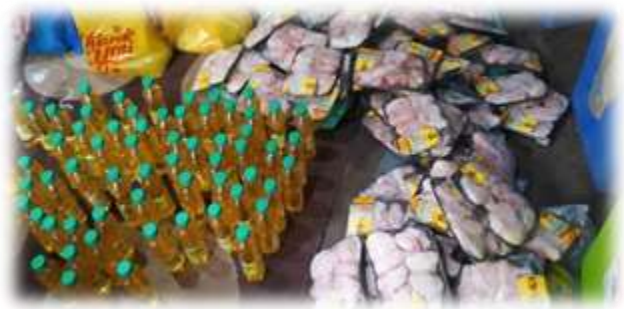
"we have learnt a lot of things through this program. Our households are being transformed as we now are able to support our families. We can now afford to buy soap, and look clean" Chrissy Mlenga program participant

### CHRISTMAS FOOD DONATION

This Christmas is much brighter for the people of one village in Mulanje, Malawi. With the Covid19 Pandemic, Cholera and Malaria coupled with a global crisis, invariably the poor



are the ones who suffer the most. Continuing our desire to enhance their Christmas experience and with our



local coordinator's assistance, this year like past years, we are able to put smiles on the faces of the entire Kalilima 2 Village. Sixty five (65) households received much needed food items consisting of rice, chicken, sugar, oil and salt. Additionally 100 children received Christmas treats-To God be praised!!

### POST SECONDARY GRADUATE



Rita is currently doing her internship at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital in Blantyre, Malawi, in the maternity ward as a mid-wife. ***"It is quite an experience, being a midwife delivering babies,"*** she said.

Education changes everything for a student, their family, and their community!

Congratulation to the organization's first graduate **Rita Leleni**, from Mulanje, Malawi. Rita graduated from St Luke's College of Nursing and Midwifery in Chilema, Malawi. Because of the support of organizations like **Kingdom Life Ministries**, and donors who believed in our mission, CSF Mission was able to provide full scholarship to Rita to realize her dream of becoming a nurse.



*My name is Rita Leleni. I am a 26 year old girl from Malawi. I am a beneficiary of Charity Services Faith Mission Organisation. The foundation helped me through my tertiary education at St. Luke's Nursing School. I am now a qualified nurse. Currently I am doing my internship at the big referral hospital in my country. This hospital is called Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital. I am forever thankful to Charity Service Faith Mission for making my dream come through. They came to my rescue at the point where I really needed help the most. I will forever be thankful to them for this. Lastly, my humble prayer is that God should continue giving them strength as they continue to help other people the way they helped me.*

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT



We would like to acknowledge our Malawi Affiliate Sangwani Nyasulu, of Mulanje who has been an integral part of our organization since 2017. She is our eyes, ears and feet on the ground. Without her we could not have accomplished as much as we have. On behalf the board of directors, thank you!

This is what Sangwani has to say about the organization.... ***"CSF Mission has improved the lives of communities in Malawi in the way that the youth are being encouraged to work harder as they have opportunities to attain good and better education through its sponsorship program. In addition women have been empowered economically through the farming project."***



### TESTIMONIAL LETTER – (As Received)

Hello Jasmin and Dawn,

First of all I would like to say thanks very much for the support given to us. Because at first people thought it as if they were just ordinary stories. However, those stories become reality. Also, thanks for having the initiative of starting **Charity Service Faith Mission (CSFM)**. Indeed you deserve more than distinction.

Since you visited Mtendere School in 2016/2017 school year, significant changes has happened at the school. The moment you first visited the school you found that there was not any single desk a thing that made aged girl students difficult to learn because for them to respond to questions from teachers it was a problem. As usual students respond to questions whilst standing.

The school received 270 desks under your initiative which made learning easier for both girls and boys. The school also received books for starting a School Library. The Library is helping Mtendere students a lot in such a way that students are developing reading culture, teachers as well are improving knowledge capabilities through library, and the community surrounding the school will develop as well. Under your initiative also all students received school bags, exercise books, Mathematic instruments, writing pens, for both Girls and Boys a thing that boosted the Mtendere School.



Girls also received sanitary pads, pants. These things helped girls to stay longer at school in different circumstances they faced. Under your initiative also we constructed a simple wash room for girls. Mtendere school students are also benefiting from the scholarships you initiated. Parents of these beneficiaries are giving more thanks to you and they praise the Lord for the wonderful job you have done. Even the students themselves they have nothing to say, they just praise the God as well because they are learning without any tuition, examinations problems and not forgetting pocket money you give them as well. Finally I give more thanks for putting Mtendere School on the Map. It has become among the best schools in Mulanje district in such the way that the school enrollment is increasing almost daily.

Thanks a lot, and may the Almighty Father be with you Jasmin and Dawn. Be Blessed.

**Headmaster Aubrey Chikwanje**  
**Mtendere Primary School, Mulanje Malawi**

### BOARD UPDATES



On January 23, 2022 we lost one of our board members, Mr. Kevin Wint. Kevin was an integral part of the start-up of the organization and is certainly missed. RIP Sir Kevin!

We welcomed new board member **Jonathan Jackson** in March 2022 and are looking forward to his insights and input in helping to steer the organization towards achieving its goals and objectives.



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### CLOSING

As we continue our transitional phase after the launch of Charity Service Faith Mission (CSF Mission) as a federal non-profit organization in 2021, we are doing everything possible to maintain the programs we are committed to locally and internationally. To summarize this year's achievements:

#### Local Giving

- We donated five (5) chickens to our local church to be included in their holiday food baskets for members in need

#### Foreign Missions

- Five (5) students were beneficiaries of scholarships. An increase of 3 additional students from previous years where only 2 were chosen.
- Fifty (50) adolescents girls were given re-useable sanitary napkins kits so they don't have to miss school during their monthly cycle.
- We officially launched our "Sustainable Farming Initiative" where 30 women from the village of Kalilima 2, Mulanje Malawi were given the opportunity in farming.
- The organization's first scholarship recipient **Rita Lileni**, from Mulanje, Malawi graduated from St Luke's College of Nursing and Midwifery as a nurse/midwife.
- 65 families and 100 children benefited from our Christmas food donation

### LOOKING AHEAD – 2023

We will continue to S-T-R-E-T-C-H our resources in maintaining the initiatives we are committed to both locally and internationally.

**On the local front:** Now that Covid19 pandemic is somewhat under control we will re-start the care packages initiatives with an increase in the number of recipients.

**On the international front:** Our focus will be on maintaining the following initiatives: Scholarship, School Supplies, Sanitary Pad Kits, Farming Project, Library Upkeep and Christmas food donation. We are excited now that Malawi has reopened to visitors. We are now planning our long awaited visit to meet with our stakeholders in September 2023.

We the "Board", hope that during these uncertain times and changing reality, our friends will continue to support us through your financial donations. It is in times like these we are reminded of how interconnected we all are.

We are grateful to each of you for believing in our ***vision to see a world where access to opportunities and resources are available to everyone regardless of where they live or economic status***, and choosing to be a part of changing lives of the most vulnerable people. Thank You! Without you, none of this is possible! We cannot wait to **"make it happen"** together again!

Season's Greetings and all the best for 2023!

The Board of Directors



Jasmin Edwards



Dawn Edwards



Barrington Smith



Jonathan Jackson