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THE NEWSLETTER FROM NETWORK FOR A BETTER WORLD

Connections between MALAWI and the UK

Malawi is suffering its worst drought and food crisis in decades. The government has declared a state of emergency.

We were hearing reports from our volunteer teacher, Simon Flint, that students were coming to school having not eaten for days. We made emergency provision for these students.

A total of £ 12,600 has been invested by N4BW in securing some very scarce supplies of Maize for local people. The photos here show our latest distribution by Lake Chiwa



Food for today, hope for tomorrow

Thank you
to all our
supporters



Stopping the next food crisis !

We have gained funding for an IRRIGATION project with plots of land available to local women. More in next newsletter.

As members of the Catholic Missionary Union (CMU) we are pleased to have been approved to do parish appeals from 2017. We will be making appeals and meeting parishioners at masses in Milton Keynes and Aylesbury.



Trustee Angela Stone receiving a cheque for £1394.98 from Norwich Catenian President, Mike Prior. The sum was raised by the Norwich Catenian Circle during the year 2015-2016.





A happy group of students and staff at Luntha High School this Summer. Pictured are Simon Flint, who has been teaching in the school as a volunteer (VMM Funded) and also Sheila Cogley who is a short term volunteer.

They were presented with IT materials funded by our partners the Volunteer Missionary Movement (from Irish funder Misesan Cara). They were

also presented two prayer boards from UK partner school St Anselm's Canterbury.

Changing and growing

Network for a Better World, St Vincent's School, Yew Tree Lane, Liverpool L12 9HN

Our new address, courtesy of St Vincents, more of which in our next newsletter!

The ways to donate to us remain the same and our website is still at www.n4bw.org.uk—This will now be updated by a new volunteer so we are bring new people onto our team—which can only be good.

Enkindle Consulting of Southport will continue to manage the St Anselms/Luntha partnership and the short-term volunteer programme.

THANK YOU to the Confirmation Group in Ashford, Kent for your very generous donation of over £470

Finances for 2015

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Donations general	£18,021	Programmes in Sitima	£5,413
Tax Refund	£1,843	Emergency Relief	£1,610
Corporate Donations	£1000	House in Sitima	£4,145
Online donations	£1014	Admin, fundraising, marketing	£2631
59 Club proceeds	£1565		
	£23,450		£13,798
Bank Balance at year end	£19,089	Thank you!	

Could you be a short term **volunteer** in Malawi? Know anyone who could? We are looking for people with IT, sports, environmental, agro-business skills....but many, many people of all ages have something to offer! Contact Richard on 01704 335099

Access to Primary Education is the key



In March 2016 Bridget Fenwick and Eileen Brennan went to Malawi with us to roll out our In-Service Training for Primary school teachers. The teachers there are very skilled but have massive challenges including class sizes and the extreme poverty of the area. (pic left, Bridget with the teachers.

They were also able to set up the first ever 'Headteachers Group' in the area (pic below)



Irene Westbury RIP

Irene was a volunteer with us via the VMM partnership for 6 months in 2016 and did great work in researching local needs and writing bids for us. She died unexpectedly on 12 August in the United States. The people in Sitima and N4BW owe her gratitude and remember her family in our prayers.

Cause Change

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."
-Mother Teresa

