

MISSION MALAWI

Monthly Newsletter of what God is doing in Malawi through the READSON family with support from *Disciplers International Inc.*

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OPERATION “Small-Business”

The sky is the limit, and with one accord we plan to do great things here in Malawi! Women are very important in developmental activities that facilitate positive change in all nations. Malawi is ranked as the 3rd poorest country in the world, not because of war or conflict, but due to low quality education, infrastructure and job training. One particular area that is adversely affected is a basic need – FOOD. The cost of quality food is very high, so most people don't eat well, and don't eat enough. This results in many premature deaths due to malnutrition, diarrhea and other illnesses. Good nutrition is a priority for the future of Malawi, so we are focusing on starting small businesses that sell quality food at a fair price. Malawian women will be the entrepreneurs of these businesses with Mervis Readson leading them. As you can see in the picture below, Mervis has a food shop in operation now, and has learned how to run her business. Her plan is to train women to do exactly what she is doing.

- Patrick Readson



**Mervis tending to her own “local shop”
Fish, Rice, Tomatoes & Onions for sale!**



**Ladies who hope to have shops of
their own after Mervis trains them.**

WOMEN of VISION and AMBITION – The future of Malawi

Vision becomes reality when people understand and support the vision. For us, we would love to see small businesses started by motivated women whose success changes individual lives, families, our communities and our nation. Malawi is rich in potential, but we must change our thinking in order to go from financial dependency to independency. How can this be achieved? We believe small business start-ups that promote self-employment is one way. Successful small business operations will not only benefit communities in Malawi, but they will also generate revenue that our government can use to development of our nation. With sustainable businesses, the program will provide on-the-job training for women, who will learn to run their own businesses, and also be equipped train others to do the same. It's a win-win vision!

Mervis will train women from her church, who are now unemployed



The kind of change we need and want requires people with resources, who are willing to partner with us. For someone to be a soldier there must be an instructor to train him/her. For businesses to develop, both capital and man-power are needed. We have the man-power and willingness, but we need the capital, so I Invite you to invest in us. We want to lift ourselves and Malawi out of poverty, but we need help. Our goal is to go from asking for “fish” to learning how to catch “fish” for ourselves, and then teaching others to “fish” as well.

Positive change is what we need, and what we want to achieve



Praise Report & Prayer Request:

Christopher (brother of Mervis) starts work as a University Food Manager on 13 Dec
Mervis' grandfather required surgery, so please pray for his recovery and well-being

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