

Dear family and friends

We are enjoying very nice temperatures at the moment with cooler nights and mild day temperatures.

### Projects and personal:

We have just returned from the two week outreach with "Doctors for Life" and "Medic Eyecare Malawi" to the rural areas of Malawi. Twenty three people took part in this outreach and you could just imagine what our tented camp looked like. The first week we camped in a small town called Salima, near Lake Malawi. The eye doctors did their operations in the local hospital while the rest of the team went out to the villages to relieve some of the medical and dental problems. The team of evangelists also showed some gospel movies with a generator and they stayed on till late to help those who wanted to repent and accept Jesus as their saviour. Every day we heard wonderful stories of how people repented and it was just so obvious how God was at work in people's lives.

The first week ended on a rather sad note when one of the ophthalmologists, Jacquese Potgieter from Pretoria, discovered that his passport, money and instruments had been taken from his tent. We had to change our plans so that we could try and get a temporary passport for Jacquese for his flight back to South Africa the next day. The South African Consulate is in Lilongwe, a hundred kilometres from Salima, but the problem was that it was Saturday afternoon and no consulate would be open. The stage was set for God to work! A friend, Johan van Loggerenberg phoned us out of the blue to say hello. We told our story and Johan started phoning some friends. Believe it or not, an hour later we had a temporary passport for Jacquese and a place to stay for the night on top of that. How great is our God!



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*The outreach group in Masungu*



*Children's ministry in Salima*

Liewe vriende en familie,

Hier in midde-Afrika is dit nou 'n baie lekker tyd en die dae is koel in die more, maar baie lekker deur die dag. Daar kom so nou en dan 'n koue front van die suide af deur, maar dit hou gelukkig nie lank nie.

### Projekte en persoonlik

Ons het sopas teruggekeer van die 2 weke uitreik saam met "Doctors for Life" en "Medic Eyecare Malawi" na die landelike areas van Malawi. Ons was 23 mense wat deelgeneem het aan die uitreik, met selfs 3 mense van Engeland, en die kampplek het soos 'n tentdorp in die klein dorpie Salima, naby die Malawimeer. Die oogspesialiste het pasiënte by die plaaslike hospitaal geopereer terwyl ons saam met die evangelisasiespan die naburige villages besoek het om die mediese nood te verlig asook om mense van tandpyn te verlos. Die evangelisasiespan het dan ook tot laat aangebly om godsdienstige films te wys en geestelike opvolwerk te doen. Elke dag was daar egter pragtige getuienis van mense wat sonde bely en Jesus aanneem as hulle verlosser en dit was elke dag duidelik hoe God aan die werk is in baie mense se lewens.

Die eerste week het egter op 'n ietwat lae noot geëindig nadat een van die oogartse, Jacquese Potgieter, van Pretoria, se paspoort, geld en instrumente uit sy tent weggeraak het. Ons planne is lelik in die wiele gery deur die voorval en ons moes inderhaas by die Suid Afrikaanse Konsulaat op Lilongwe vir Jacquese 'n tydelike paspoort in die hande kry sodat hy die volgende dag sou kon terugvlieg S.A. toe. Maar, o wee, dis Saterdagmiddag en geen konsulaat is oop op Saterdag nie. So was God weer aan die werk! 'n Vriend, Johan van Loggerenberg, bel uit die bloute om te verneem hoe dit gaan, ons vertel die storie. Johan skakel van sy vriende in Lilongwe en 'n uur later het Jacquese 'n tydelike paspoort en ons het slaapplek vir die aand. Hoe groot is God nie!!

The second week we camped very close to the mission hospital at Mtuntama, Kasungu. The worst was yet to come, I contracted cerebral malaria. At first it seemed as if the medication was ineffective but after much prayer and two days in bed the fever started going.

Back in Zambia two of our older children had contracted mumps and there are so many cases at school now, they have changed one of the classrooms into a sick bay. We are helping with antibiotics and pain killers because they have none.

### Prayer requests

- ✦ Please pray for the children with mumps.
- ✦ Thank God that the malaria could be treated.
- ✦ Pray for Lourie, he is struggling with high blood pressure.

Blessings from Zambia.

### Lourie & Gisela Ferreira

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*The joy to be able to see again!*



*Lourie's surgery*



*Pharmacy in the open! People queing...*



Die tweede week het ons teenaan die hospital gekamp te Mtuntama, naby Kasungu. Daar tref die ergste my. Ek kry serebrale malaria en dit lyk eers asof die medikasie oneffektief is. Na baie bid en twee dae in die bed, is ek toe weer wankelig op die been en kon weer deelneem aan al die werksaamhede.

Terug by die Zambië het twee van ons groter kinders pampoentjies gekry en dit nou net voor hulle eksamens. Daar is so baie gevalle by die skool, een van die klaskamers is nou 'n siekeboeg. Ons help maar met antibiotika en pynpille want daar is geen.

### Gebedsversoeke

- ✦ Bid asb. vir ons kinders met pampoentjies.
- ✦ Sê saam dankie dat my malaria nie dodelik was nie.
- ✦ Bid asb saam vir Lourie, hy sukkel met erge bloeddruk.

Seën en liefde uit Zambië.

### Lourie & Gisela Ferreira

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