



Global Youth Mission Teams

Sitting in the balcony of Lilongwe Pentecostal Church, I wondered if Youth Conference Malawi would actually happen. Then, when I saw the first bus arriving, full of Canadian young people, I looked heavenward and said, "Thank You, Lord." Minutes later, the church was filled with energetic people, passionate to share Christ.

Such was the beginning of YC Malawi, the nation's first such event, organized by the African Evangelistic Enterprise Foxfire Youth Team and the Pentecostal Assemblies of Malawi, in partnership with the Extreme Dream of Canada.

Dynamite was created when these youth were joined by the local Malawi Foxfire Youth Team. Nine amazing teams were formed, each with at least 12 people. Their mission was simple: Go to people and share the Gospel of Christ.

They went into marketplaces, churches, orphanages, villages, prisons

etc. To reach as many youth as possible, different things were used (e.g., toys, soccer balls, music, drama). As a result, wonderful testimonies were heard daily.

The Event

"What's this? What are you building here? What international secular band is coming here?" These and other questions were asked as musical gear was planted at the heart of Malawi's Silver Striker Stadium. When I answered, "This is a gospel crusade," they couldn't believe it until they saw it for themselves. It was a great celebration.

As the African Evangelistic Enterprise Foxfire band, Leeland, Canadian Worship Team band, Ethel Kamwendo, Papa San and other bands took the stage, the warm heart of Africa quickly became hot! The fire of the Lord was ignited in thousands of youth. I saw in the multitude drunkards, drug addicts, the sick, street kids, orphans and families. I spoke to denominational and organizational leaders. I knew that God



Foxfire Choir

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Youth Ministries

This is the Lord's Doing YC Malawi 08:08:08

by David Chigamba

had started a new thing; a new day was dawning for our young nation.

As we stood to sing, "If you believe and I believe and then together pray, the Holy Spirit will come down and Malawi will be saved," I saw hope in hopeless eyes, fear and anxiety leaving. We sang "Africans Unite" with joy-

thronging forward to receive Christ as Saviour and Lord. This was what we had prayed for.

The Harvest

Hundreds of people gave their lives to the Lord during YC Malawi. We are so thankful to God for this mighty harvest! So far, there have been 8,652 converts. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

Testimonies and Stories

Security Men For Christ

As part of the stadium security, Mission organizers ensured sufficient police were hired. However, it was surprising to see the number increase daily, simply because they wanted to see what was happening. Thirteen policemen gave their lives to the Lord.

Firemen on the Line

The fire brigade was present at the stadium. Over two days, four of their members, including the Chief, gave their lives to the Lord.

Prostitutes

Seeing so many vehicles heading to the stadium on Friday, three young prostitutes decided to follow, to search for men. After the preaching, one of them gave her life to the Lord. She returned the next day with her parents from Mtandire; they also committed their lives to Christ.



Prayer Teams

filled hearts, the joy bringing new strength to achieve new things for the Lord. I knew the youth of Lilongwe would never be the same.

Midway in Saturday afternoon's program, I withdrew from the crowd and went to the back of the stadium. I saw Malawi jumping, smiling, singing and dancing amid hunger, HIV/AIDS and poverty. Then I saw Malawi



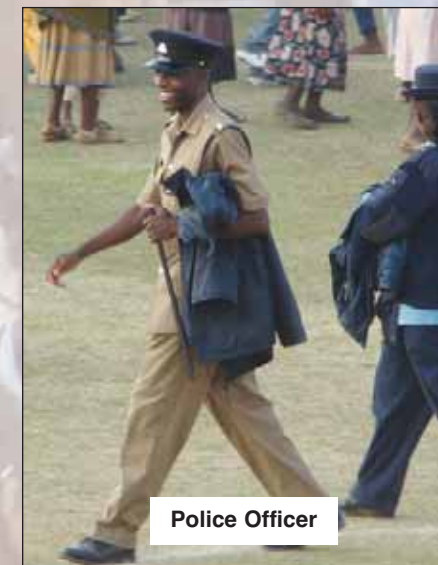
Ethel Kamwendo Banda

Jesus at the Doorstep

A couple from Dubai listened to the Gospel presentation from their home, kilometers from the stadium. Both accepted Christ as Saviour, later visiting the stadium for additional spiritual help.

A Soldier For Christ

An army soldier entered the stadium to look for his girlfriend. There, Jesus was looking for him! The man asked, "Can your Jesus forgive me, for I've killed and done many evil things?" Prayer was offered and he accepted Christ as Saviour.



Police Officer

No More Alcohol Addiction

Last week in town, I met a young man who had visited the stadium on Saturday very drunk. "I was there," he said, "because I knew that the way I was, my parents wouldn't allow me into their house." Giving his life to the Lord, he was among the first to attend

Sunday's program. Recently, he attended our church.

A man who sells *ziboliboli* (wooden carvings) gave his life to the Lord on Sunday. "I was a heavy drinker," he said, "but since that day, I haven't touched a bottle."



YC Malawi Director, Pastor David Chigamba, and YCNL Director, Pastor Dean Brenton

There are many other testimonies of what God has done and is still doing. We give Him all the praise. Follow-up has started in Lilongwe's 28 zones. Pray for us as we embark on this last phase of YC Malawi.

Thank you very much for bringing YC to Malawi. What a great blessing it has been to our nation! 🌍

1. Psalm 118:23.



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