

MISSIONS THAT MATTER



Advancing the Kingdom in
MALAWI

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. ~ Mark 16:15



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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ:

The Foreign Missions Board and officers want to thank our president, Dr. C. Dennis Edwards, I, for his leadership and guidance. Also, special thanks to our Convention, Pastors, Churches, District Associations, CMBSC members and friends for your loyal support and commitment to Foreign Mission. We, the CMBSC Foreign Mission Board, remain committed to this Convention's vision of "Re-engaging, Re-visioning, and Re-vitalizing this convention under the Cross of Christ."

In 2017, because of your commitment and support, the CMBSC Foreign Missions Board donated \$2700.00 to purchase a water well (clean water for consumption, cooking and irrigation); and also contributed \$2000.00 towards the construction of two Maize Mills at our mission station in Malawi (a Maize Mill is a facility that houses shelling and grinding machines to grind corn into meal and flour that will be used for food). These mills will also produce revenue for the mission station because the residents of area villages will utilize these services for a nominal fee.

In addition to the contributions of the CMBSC, the Women's Auxiliary of the Regular Arkansas Baptist Convention (this Convention is also a member of NBC, Inc., Southwest Missional Region), contributed another \$7413.00 for the mission work in Malawi. This mission fund drive was encouraged and solicited by Pastor J. Y. Williams, Jr., who serves as Coordinator of Foreign Missions Services for the Regular Arkansas Baptist Convention. Thus, Arkansas' total representation for the Malawi, Central Africa mission station was \$12,113.00.

PRAISE THE LORD FOR THE WORK HE HAS DONE THROUGH HIS PEOPLE!

The January winter board meeting held in Mobile, Alabama, January 8-11, 2018, was attended by Pastor J. Y. Williams, Jr., Arkansas' Representative on NBC, Inc., Foreign Missions Board. He received an update and status of our various mission stations and their needs. Some of the immediate needs are:

- ✓ Medical assistance
- ✓ Living Application Bibles
- ✓ Dormitory beds in Lesotho
- ✓ Maize Mills (used to grind corn into meal and flour)
- ✓ Disaster Relief in U. S. Virgin Islands
- ✓ Technical College construction on the grounds of the Malawi Mission Station
- ✓ Lose change Sunday fund drive
- ✓ Mission Herald Magazine subscription drive

Because of your support for foreign missions, we were able to accomplish our 2017 goals. However, as you can see from the above mentioned list, the need for support are ever present. Therefore, we encourage you to continue your loyal support and partnership with our brothers and sisters in foreign lands who are passionately serving our Lord and Savior through their ministry to His people.

Again, thank you for this opportunity and platform you have provided for us to serve God's people during this season.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Baptist conventions in Arkansas to help build African wells

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More than \$12,000 has been raised for the construction four water wells in central Africa, according to a State Foreign Mission report from the Rev. J.Y. Williams Jr., a local pastor and foreign mission representative.

The Consolidated Missionary Baptist State Convention of Arkansas and the Regular Arkansas State Convention recently received the report.

Williams is general secretary of the CMBS-C Foreign Mission Board, foreign mission coordinator of the RABC and Arkansas' foreign mission representative.

The State Foreign Mission report was sent to President C. Dennis Edwards of the CMBS-C and President James Macke of the RABC.

"I reported a combined total \$10,113 (Regular \$7,113 & Consolidated \$2,700) for the state of Arkansas for our Foreign Mission Station in Malawi Central African," Williams said. "This \$10,113 check was presented for the State of Arkansas at the (NBC) National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. January 2018 Winter Board Meeting at the Foreign Mission Board Breakfast in Mobile, AL."

"The State of Arkansas has just received

a donation of \$2,000 from Dr. Dwight McKissic, pastor, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Arlington, Texas," Williams said, adding that McKissic is a Pine Bluff native.

Funds were received by Edwards from McKissic for the Foreign Mission Station in Malawi.

"Now with that \$2,000 blessing from Dr. McKissic, Arkansas has raised a combined total of \$12,113.00 for the construction four water wells at the Malawi Mission Station in Central Africa," Williams said.

Also, the Women's Auxiliary announced a \$5,400 donation for water wells for the Malawi Mission Station.



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The Rev. J.Y. Williams Jr., left, greets the Rev. Dwight McKissic, at the NBC Winter Board meeting at Mobile, AL.

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