# Call for Papers

Malawi Adventist University (MAU) Theological Conference 2023



I Will Go': A Response to the Great Commission Amidst Theological, Biblical, and Missiological Challenges in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

> LAKEVIEW COLLEGE CAMPUS, NTCHEU, MALAWI

> > August 15-17, 2023





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Change in our world is happening fast. The Church of today is grappling with challenges some of which were generally hitherto only just imagined. However, irrespective of these changes taking place in all spheres of life, the mission of the Church continues unabated.

As a way of helping the Church to ably continue carrying out Jesus' Great Commission with sustained potency, strength, and effectiveness, Malawi Adventist University (MAU), through its Seminary component of the Department of Theology and Religious Studies, would like to initiate a time for in-depth reflection for key players. It is felt that both the frontline officers of the Church, the leadership team, and laity, need a time to pause, ponder, reflect, re-energize, galvanize and plan for continued effective service delivery.

The aim is to contribute to the strengthening of the Church in Malawi. That is to be achieved through enhancing knowledge, competence, skills and attitudes of church workers for their quality performance in managing the 21st Century Church to carry forward the Master's mission. Through expert and practitioner presentations, ensuing discussions and informed thought exchanges, participants shall be able to comprehensively come to grips with the world they now live in, inclusive of current trends that have a bearing on the present Church and its perceivable future direction.

It is out of this conviction that Malawi Adventist University, Lakeview College, is calling for abstracts which must address broader questions related to the Theme.

# **Conference** Theme

The Theme of the conference is 'I Will Go': A Response to the Great Commission Amidst Theological, Biblical, and Missiological, Challenges in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

#### **Conference Subthemes**

- 1. Understanding Biblical Discourse as Key to Appreciation of Scripture.
- 2. Theological Underpinnings of Church Teachings
- 3. Missiological/Ministerial Challenges



- 4. Leading the Modern Church: Management and Administrative Challenges and Opportunities
- 5. The Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy
- 6. The Ministry and Spirit of Medical Missionary Work
- 7. The Church and Politics
- 8. Healthful Living

# **Conference Venue**

The first Malawi union-wide Theological Conference will be held at Lakeview College Campus of the Malawi Adventist University.

# **Important Dates**

- 1. Abstract submission (not more than 250 words): April 30, 2023
- 2. Acceptance/rejection notification: May 20, 2023
- 3. Full paper submission: July 7, 2023
- 4. Conference: August 15-17, 2023

# **Abstract Submission Guidelines**

The writing style to be followed is 'Turabian Style' (footnote style). Follow the following as well:

- 1. Title of the paper
- 2. Complete names of the author(s)
- 3. Conference or institution affiliation
- 4. Email address and cell phone number(s)
- 5. Abstract in MS Word (doc or docx) document

# **Conference Fees**

Conference fees are fifty thousand Malawi Kwacha (MK50,000) per participant. This does not include accommodation and meals which shall be communicated at a later date.

Once you have prepared your abstract according to the above guidelines, use the subject line "MAU Theological Conference" and email your submission to the following address: chipetas@mau.adventist.org