



# the Emmanuel Connection

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## Focus on: Charles Mukiwa



So is there anybody in Malawi that Charles doesn't know? We sometimes ask ourselves this. Over the years, Charles and his connections have saved the day more than we can count!

Charles grew up in Zomba. He was in high school in 1991 when EI did its first relief program in Malawi. Any day, Charles was found hanging around the Zomba office, helping out where he could.

Charles accepted Jesus as His Savior at the age of 17 years. After high school,

he attended African Bible College, graduating with a degree in education. As thanks for school fee assistance by EI missionaries, Charles committed his first year out of college to work with EI Malawi. And he has been here ever since.

Charles wears the most diverse of EI hats: Program Manager for the 'Enhancing Communities Resilience Program', and all small projects from outside funders like Rotary, Zomba Action Project and Hazeltown church in Ireland. Charles takes care of all properties being used by EI in Malawi, always on call for repairs and property upkeep. He also cares for our expat immigration needs. In so many things, Charles is our go-to guy.

Charles' wife, Naloli, continues to struggle with lower extremity rehab after her year-long hospitalization 3 years ago. Sons Novahiwa (12) and Ekari (10) are doing well in school and love to read. We thank God for Charles and his family.

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## Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 United Kingdom:** We praise God that the short term summer team from St Stephen's Church, North Mundham and St Leodegar's Church, Hunston, going to Tanzania in August, have raised all the funds they need for the trip and more!
- 2 El Mission (USA):** Alan and Barbara Graham travel back to the East Coast, with a stop in the Houston, Texas to visit with their oldest daughter and her family.
- 3 United Kingdom:** Sue is attending the GPAF UK roundtable discussion on June 3. We'll get an opportunity to hear from DfID how they think the stoves project is going and we'll be able to share our views.  
**Philippines:** Wells are being built in the Tacloban/Ormoc area. Pray that they will be completed soon.
- 4 Tanzania:** The Monger family is speaking at New Forest Community Church (date to be confirmed).  
**Tanzania:** Tim's dad, Edwin Monger, completed his first round of treatment but would appreciate your continued prayers for his health to improve.
- 5 Malawi:** John and Samuel Naudé are back from the UK. John will be back to teaching at the Bible school and Samuel will be finishing the year's schooling.
- 6 South Africa:** Denver Solomon and his family, from Living Hope Bible Church, are preparing to begin studies at the Masters Seminary in California. His studies are being covered by a bursary and some support from the church but when he leaves it will mean additional work for Don Sayers and the other elder, Peter. We are excited for his opportunity but ask that you pray for our little church in his absence.
- 7 Uganda:** We praise God for 6 new schools added this year to the pads project. We are concentrating on revisiting and encouraging our existing base of 24 schools from last year. Please pray that we will be provided with the resources to do this and to add some more new schools.  
**Tanzania:** The Monger family is speaking at North Church, Basingstoke on June 7.
- 8 Malawi:** Peter Ryttersgaard is coming with a Visiting Missionary Team of 4 from Canada to do the annual Pastors' Conference for EBCM. About 200 pastors and their wives plan to come to the conference from June 8-12. The weekend before and after, the team visit and minister in various churches.

- 9 Philippines:** The long, hot and rainless summer has made life very difficult for the Manobo people. They cannot plant their corn and the vegetables they did plant either died or produced little crops. Please pray for the much needed rain.
- 10 Malawi:** The NJIRA team consists of 45 people working in a primarily Muslim area in Machinga in a very diverse livelihood and food security program. Program implementation is just getting moving. Pray for good relationships of our staff with the communities they are living and working in.
- 11 Uganda:** The first Community Health Empowerment “Appropriate Technology Technical Workshop” is happening June 14 to 19. Pray especially for the preparation, because we (Mike and Marianne Botting) have never done this before! Pray also that we will finish the Luo language version of the CHE committee manual in time.
- 12 South Africa:** Thank you for continuing to pray for our (the Sayers family’s) visa challenges. We are still waiting for feedback from the department of home affairs. We are confident that we’ll have this resolved soon and we’ll be able to come home on furlough in the next 6 months, Lord willing!
- 13 Philippines:** Edna Santos is continuing her visits to supporting churches and friends. She returns to the Philippines on June 13. Then they will do volunteers training for the Awana program and distribute school supplies again, to about 3-5 church outreaches. Please pray for the scholarship project, that enough money will be raised to help at least the 4 bible school scholars and 4 college students.
- 14 Canada:** The VanWoerdens have 2 opportunities on June 14 in Calgary to speak about their anticipated Kingdom work in Tanzania. Pray for fruitful responses by those who come and hear.
- 15 Malawi:** We praise God for John and Christine Raby. We are so grateful that they are part of our team! Also, praise God for Ben Voss, responsible for our water and sanitation program. Ben will be in Canada from mid June to mid August.
- 16 Tanzania:** The village of Kiwere is starting construction of the water project there on June 16. The whole village is due to start digging the 9 kilometer supply pipeline trench, by hand of course.
- 17 Philippines:** We will commence level 2, or advanced health care, training in June for those who finished level 1. Mothers who participated in level 1 training reported that they have been using their training to help patients, mostly treating wounds from motorcycle accidents; teaching others how to make oral rehydration drink for diarrhea and giving advice about herbal medicines. Please pray that this level 2 training will be well attended.
- 18 El Mission (USA):** Alan and Barbara Graham’s grandson, Tim is in basic training for the US Army Reserve and is scheduled to graduate in early July.

- 19 Canada:** Scott and Lorilee Maclean will be involved with Short Term Mission Training for the M'Chigeeng team on June 19 and Perspectives Coordinator training the following day on the 20th.
- 20 Tanzania:** The Mongers' supporters and friends are gathering for "Tea with the Mongers" on June 20 in Basingstoke, where they will share about the work they are doing in Tanzania. All are welcome!
- 21 Tanzania:** The Monger family is speaking at Tadley Community Church on June 21.
- EI Mission (USA):** We are still looking for a Finance Officer for the EIM Board of Directors.
- 22 Uganda:** Visits to the Deaf at Paipir Primary School in Pader town are continuing on Friday afternoons. We are listening to Bible stories and making interesting things (kites so far). Please pray for Tom to have wisdom and energy and for the Spirit to 'make the deaf to hear' the Word.
- 23 Philippines:** We found a trainer for soap making, another livelihood project requested by the people in the Manobo village.
- 24 Uganda:** The lower compound in EI Pader is growing maize and beans. Around the end of June we hope to harvest both. This provides employment to some deaf people. Please pray for a good harvest to make the (personal) project viable.
- 25 Tanzania:** Tim, Rachel, Amisadai and Louisa Monger have various events and meetings this month as they meet with supporters, catch up with friends and do some assemblies and classes at Aldermaston School.
- 26 Uganda:** Deaf Breakfast on Sunday after service has been going well with around 10 young adults attending. There is not much spiritual interest though, so please keep on praying for a breakthrough.
- 27 South Africa:** We are short about \$8000 to finish the renovations on the 3rd Safe House. We have not received all the pledges for the house. We have some time to raise the remaining amount because of the delay from the city in approving the plans. We are excited to open this new house in the very near future!
- 28 Canada:** Rose Apilado is assisting with the development of the Evangelical Baptist Church of Malawi's New Hope Community school in Liwonde.
- 29 Brazil:** Erbeni Andrade is the Propac coordinator. Propac is a day care centre that offers a place of refuge for children at risk. Pray for their efforts to finish building the Propac Centre.
- 30 Haiti:** The rebuilding process after the 2010 earthquake is still ongoing. Progress is slow because of the scale of damage, but it is happening. Thanks to God.