



the Emmanuel Connection

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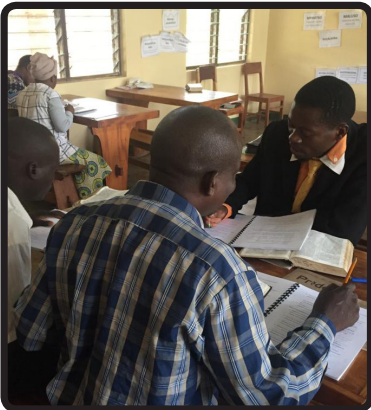
Focus on EI countries: Malawi

Emmanuel International was invited to Malawi by the Evangelical Baptist Church of Malawi (EBCM) in 1986.



EI Malawi's head office is located in Zomba and overall has 163 active national staff, more than 10 volunteers, and 3 expat workers.

EI Malawi has three partner churches: the EBCM, Word of Grace in Balaka District, and Living Gospel Evangelical Church of Malawi in Mangochi. At present, Emmanuel International continues to collaborate with them in Leadership and Spiritual Development, which seeks to build the capacity of pastors and other church leaders; Bible School Training, which provides opportunities for further formal theological training for pastors; Leadership Training Program, which aims at developing the effectiveness of Church leaders and pastors; Rural Outreach, which provides clean water, health care, nutrition and humanitarian response in emergencies for rural communities; and finally Widows, Orphans and Prison Ministries.



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Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 Haiti:** The EI family is praying for Haiti every Tuesday of this month. We are posting prayer requests every week on social media. Please pray with us as the country is really in need of prayer and God's grace.
Tanzania: We hope to start the first site survey for well drilling with the new Trees for Tomorrow Project. Please pray for success.
- 2 Tanzania:** We plan to start community groups in all four villages for the well drilling and tree planting. Pray for vision as we start. Also today, the Ewing Family will be returning to Tanzania. Pray for a safe arrival.
- 3 International:** We thank God for the EI Council Meetings held on June 19-20, 2023. God blessed those days together with unity, good discussion and sweet fellowship. What a privilege to work with those that God has brought to EI.
- 4 Canada:** Kristy Nowell is on holiday until August 8. Pray for a refreshing time for Kristy and her family.
- 5 Philippines:** Super typhoon Egay hit in the Philippines at the end of July, causing much damage. Pray for safety of our brothers and sisters in the north.
- 6 Haiti:** It is difficult to get funds for EI projects into Haiti. Please pray as we explore ways to make it possible to financially support the church in their outreach.
- 7 Canada:** Today is a bank holiday in Canada and the office will be closed.
- 8 United Kingdom:** Chris Manktelow is spending a month in Tanzania, working in Iringa and Tanga. Please pray that his time there will be fruitful and a real blessing to him and to the teams in Tanzania.
- 9 International:** The ERRI Board is scheduled to meet today. Please pray as the Board reviews the strategic plan, STEP 24-28 (Strategic Thinking and Execution Process).
Tanzania: Laura Kelly returns to Tanzania. Pray she has safe travels.
- 10 South Africa:** Bill Eames passed away in the US. Bill and Anne Eames were missionaries in Cape Town for many years and Don founded African Hope Trust in 2010 with Bill. He will be missed by the house moms and the many children that called him "Tata". Please pray for his family.

- 11 Philippines:** Nona and her son Ken are preparing to teach again and would appreciate your prayers for guidance. Nona teaches at Faith Academy and Ken at a Christian Chinese High School.
- 12 South Africa:** Danielle and Josh are preparing to fly to Cape Town for their wedding on the 17th! There are many logistics to coordinate and plans to finalize but we are so blessed to have them marry in SA and for Danielle to find such a Godly and mature future hubby. They will settle back in Alberta Canada after the wedding.
- 13 Tanzania:** The team from UK arrive in Mwanza. Please pray for the following 15 days as they will be serving with us here in Tanzania. They will be visiting local churches, hosting an English camp and a local secondary school, and doing some improvements on the Church Planting School/Pastor's Training Campus.
- 14 Haiti:** Our partner church, Oeuvre Evangelique Baptiste Bethesda, is going ahead with a youth camp, in the midst of all the turmoil. Pray for protection over the arrangements, the leaders and the children, that this camp will be a beacon of hope for young Christians in Haiti.
- 15 Uganda:** We are preparing to train Sunday School resource people in four partner churches. This is the next step in sustainability, as we seek to not just train Sunday School teachers but to build the churches' capacity to train Sunday School teachers themselves.
- 16 Philippines:** Classes are starting again. Please pray especially for the kids that we are helping, that they'll be able to attend school consistently. Food allowance is always a problem for them. Ken and Ruth Copsey help 33 students from 3 ethnic tribes who have sponsors from USA and Canada. Praise God as our proposal has just been approved too. Pray for opportunities to disciple these students through our coordinators.
- 17 Canada:** Cindy Bates (HR) and Amy Maglayo (Finance) are also taking some holiday time in August. Pray for refreshment for these folk.
- 18 Uganda:** Four MissionMode groups are meeting this month and next month, to help local believers find their role in fulfilling God's Great Commission.
- 19 Canada:** We are working on the Christmas catalogue. Pray for wisdom as we choose the most appropriate projects.
- 20 South Africa:** Living Hope Bible Church will have our mid-year meeting this month. We will be reviewing our budget and looking at including more leaders in various ministries. We are blessed to enjoy the increase the Lord has brought our body of believers.

- 21 United Kingdom:** We are excited to celebrate 40 years of serving God in mission next year. We are hoping to have a large group of people join us for our Conference and AGM on 2 March 2024, 4 days after our founding date. Please pray that this will be a good celebration for everyone.
- 22 International:** The goal is that all the Boards for EI Countries will have reviewed the STEP by the end of August and provided comments so that work on implementation can begin the first of September. Please pray for understanding and for unity through this process.
- 23 Brazil:** Fred Silva will visit the Community Garde Project from today till 30 August. The project is being carried out by the Terena missionaries at the Monte Alegre Xukuru kariri village. Pray for safe travels and for the contacts with the village people.
- 24 Uganda:** We are preparing with our partners at Global Link Afrika to hold a Professionals in Mission seminar at Gulu University, to help students prayerfully consider how they can use their education for God's Kingdom. The seminar will likely take place near the end of the month or in September.
- 25 Canada:** Richard and Pam McGowan will be away on vacation from today till September 13.
- 26 Brazil:** Praise God for the Indigenous Women's Conference, held in July. It was an encouraging time and a great opportunity to learn for almost 200 participants.
- 27 International:** We are grateful for the continued dedicated service of all our staff throughout the world. We give thanks to God for providing such faithful people.
- 28 Malawi:** Scott and Lorilee MacLean teach at Chisomo Theological & Vocational training school in Malawi. The students start back for their third and last term today. Pray they finish well!
- 29 South Africa:** The house moms have a very challenging work with some very spiritually broken children. Pray for their strength and for their devotion to the Lord.
- 30 Malawi:** We continue to work with those affected by Cyclone Freddy. Please pray for wisdom.
- 31 United Kingdom:** Linda Fitzmaurice is going on a week's holiday today. Please pray for a refreshing time.