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APPRECIATION FROM THE BREWERVILLE, LIBERIA MISSION

by Evangelists Joseph Perri
and Philip Arcuri with the
Brothers and Sisters of the
Brewerville, Liberia Mission.

In December 2013 Evangelists Joseph Perri and Philip Arcuri visited the Brewerville, Liberia Mission of The Church Of Jesus Christ. The newly constructed church building was dedicated, several baptisms were performed, and Brother Columbus Geepleh was ordained into the Priesthood. We also ordained Brother Jackson a teacher, and brothers Morris Kamara and Edwin Norris as deacons. Numerous training seminars were held for the pastors and ordained officers. It was a blessed time for us to be among the Saints of God.

We stayed at a hotel in the capital city of Monrovia, and it was during our visit that we heard of some people becoming ill, but no one knew what the illness was. Thank God we returned home safely the latter part of December, not knowing of the Ebola virus, that our lives were spared from contracting this virus. In February 2014 we were informed by the World Health Organization that a large number of people were stricken with the deadly disease, which was confined only to the capital city of Monrovia. Ebola began to spread rapidly, and we received the news that many people were dying.

When news reached the Brewerville village where our brothers and sisters live that Ebola was rapidly spreading, we learned that they were afraid of catching this



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deadly virus. Brother Jackson, who is the brother I communicate with, requested that the Church membership in America join them in Prayer for God's protection, that neither the Church membership in Brewerville nor their children would experience this disease. Brother Jackson emphasized the words to me, **"ONLY GOD CAN SAVE US NOW,"** and as he spoke I could tell by the sound of his voice he was frightened. A 3-day fast was immediately set aside by the pastor and ordained officers for the membership and visitors that were attending the Brewerville Mission to assemble at the Church building to pray and ask God to spare their lives from the Ebola virus. Brother Jackson said they would not eat any food nor drink any water during the fast, but would appeal and **ask God for** forgiveness if they had done anything to bring this deadly virus to their country.

As soon as the appeal for a

prayer request reached us, word was sent throughout the Church here in America for our brothers and sisters to join our brothers and sisters in Liberia, praying to God that they, together with their children, would be protected and spared from the deadly Ebola virus. To this day, none of our members suffered the effects of the Ebola virus! **HAVE OUR PRAYERS, TOGETHER WITH THE SAINTS OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST IN LIBERIA, BEEN HEARD AND ANSWERED? YES!! Thank God, Brother Jackson has informed us as of this writing the Saints together with their children and visitors who attend our Church are well, and they thank God from the depths of their heart for God's mercy and protection towards them. It is difficult for a person to imagine having the equivalent of a death sentence pronounced upon them if they were infected with this terrible disease. They ask for our continued prayers**

until this crisis passes.

During these months of our Church membership waiting upon the Lord and praying for His protection, food had become very scarce and the markets and stores very expensive. Many stores closed because there was no food to be found; in many instances the owners did not open their establishments for fear of being exposed to the Ebola virus. On behalf of the Church membership in Liberia, Brother Jackson called me about the situation. He asked for immediate help. Being notified of this condition, a request was made to the Church here in America for financial assistance to help pay for and provide food and medication. As financial assistance was received, funds were sent to Liberia to assist with purchasing food and medication for our brothers and sisters, together with their children. To complicate living conditions, it rained heavily every

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HUNGER IN MALAWI

Dear Brothers and Sisters, there is hunger in Malawi, both naturally and spiritually. The headlines read as follows:

• **2,431 Baptisms!**
(August 2014)

• **Malawi Flooding Kills at least 176 – 200,000 Displaced (January 2015)**

After receiving the June 30, 2014 report from the Malawi National Director, Brother Wilson, we related to the IMOC (International Missionary Operating Committee) that there were 2,431 baptisms during the prior 12 months!

The Church membership in this small east African country doubled in one year and now stands at over 4,700. What is happening there?

For behold, the Lord doth grant unto all nations, of their own nation and tongue, to teach his word, yea, in wisdom, all that he seeth fit that they should have; therefore we see that the Lord doth counsel in wisdom, according to that which is just and true (Alma 29: 8).

God has chosen men in Malawi, great in the strength and wisdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, to be ministers and teachers of His Word. These men do not waver in declar-

ing the truth of the Restored Gospel. These men preach and teach the pure and unadulterated Gospel of Jesus Christ under the power and inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Under the inspired leadership of our dear Brother Lyle Criscuolo (whom we miss so much), and a number of other brothers who helped to start the work, the Church in Malawi was given a very firm foundation. Brother Wilson Mgomzulu is the National Director of the Church in Malawi. Supporting Brother Wilson is a strong Executive Committee consisting of four district presidents and two additional appointed members. These Church leaders meet a minimum of four times a year to discuss the welfare of the Church, resolve any issues, and support the members in the location where the quarterly meeting is being held.

God has chosen leaders who are unified. He has chosen leaders who love one another and support one another with wise counsel guided by the Holy Spirit. How blessed it is to see whom **"the Lord doth grant"** unto the nation of Malawi. The 2,431 baptisms are evidence of His blessings upon that nation.

There is hunger in Malawi... a hunger for righteousness. **And blessed are all they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled with the Holy Ghost** (III Nephi 12:6).

On January 15, 2015 Brother

Wilson sent the following e-mail (excerpts below):

Due to heavy rains continuously pouring into some parts of Malawi, flooding has caused loss of life, houses, animals, property (crops) and many people have been displaced. Our brothers and sisters in Chikwawa, Nsanje, Blantyre, and Karonga in Malawi and Posto Shire and Mutarara in Mozambique are badly affected. They are currently accommodated in schools and churches and some in tents. They have no or little food each day. In Malawi the government has declared a disaster zone (which ended up covering 15 of 28 districts in Malawi). Their needs are kitchen utensils, food, blankets, and shelter. As the rain is still falling the first three needs are required as soon as possible.

On behalf of the Church in Malawi and Mozambique, I would like to request of our brothers and sisters of the Church of Jesus Christ assistance to these needy saints. Any amount raised would see these brothers and sisters and children comforted. Moreover, we ask for prayers so that God would take control of the situation as soon as possible. With Godly love all would be possible.

May the grace of God and the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

Brother Wilson

As soon as we received this desperate plea, funds were quickly wired to Malawi and Brother Wilson was able to deliver food and supplies to meet their critical needs.

Over 150 Church families lost their humble homes, their crops, and all of their basic possessions. Although their immediate needs were met, the struggles of our brothers and sisters and their families have just begun.

There is hunger in Malawi... for food and for the chance to rebuild their lives. With everything lost, this is a long-term problem. Unfortunately, famine is not new to Malawi and this part of the world. The government stockpiles grain for emergency relief in these situations. However, the news headlines tell of unprecedented and widespread devastation. The stockpiles will not last, and international aid is being requested.

And also, ye yourselves will succor those that stand in need of your succor; ye will administer of your substance unto him that standeth in need; and ye will not suffer that the beggar putteth up his petition to you in vain, and turn him out to perish (Mosiah 4: 16).

The members of The Church of Jesus Christ in America have generously given to every plea for assistance, from hurricane Katrina in the southern U.S. to Ebola in Liberia. As King Benjamin stated above, you – our brothers and sisters – have never turned anyone out to perish.

If the Lord has touched your heart to help our Brothers and Sisters in Malawi, please send your gift to the Humanitarian Foundation Fund (HFF) with the notation "Malawi Flood Relief." Thank you and God bless you!

The Malawi Committee

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me (Matthew 25: 34-36). **HFF**



Food Being Distributed to Church Members in Chikwawa, Malawi



Oaxacan Countryside

GABRIEL'S TESTIMONY

Oaxaca, Mexico Mission

Introduction: Two of the Church missionary committees, involving the International committee and the Native American committee, have joined forces in an effort to begin a Church mission in Oaxaca, Mexico. An elder and his family have moved to Oaxaca and with the assistance of another brother and sister who live in the area, are holding regular Church services and spreading the Restored Gospel in this area of southern Mexico. This is the testimony of a visitor who came to the mission and heard the gospel message:

I want to talk to you about the testimony of Gabriel, a young man that has been visiting us for three months. This young man works driving a cargo truck carrying loads of sand, gravel, rocks, etc. He works in the mountains. Gabriel took a new job (which is extremely difficult to find in this area), and on his third trip of his first day, one of the truck wheels got a severe flat tire. Gabriel had the truck in the riverbed and was extremely far from any repair place. He was carrying a load of sand. His supervisor saw him and was

upset. His supervisor told him, "Now you have to get that truck out of that riverbed as soon as possible, so that you don't lose the truck in the river." It was difficult, but he finally got the truck out of the riverbed and he started to take it to a place through the mountains, very slowly and with much fear. The road is very narrow and behind him was another truck with his supervisor, making sure that nothing worse would happen. While he was driving, Gabriel became very sad. He thought they were going to fire him because it was his first day and already he got a flat tire. In Oaxaca, it is very difficult to get a job.

When he was at his saddest point, he remembered the Church


and began to sing, "Sing Glory." Then he felt a presence enter the truck with him. Gabriel took his sombrero off the passenger's seat, and he asked, "Who is in here with me?" But, he didn't look to see who was there.

Then he felt the presence fill the whole cab of the truck. He got goose bumps all over and the hair on his arms stood up while he strongly continued to ask, "Who is in here?" Then, he heard a voice that went throughout his whole body that said to him, "I AM JESUS CHRIST."

He stopped the truck, got out and started to cry like a baby. Then, the truck that was behind him with his supervisor in it also

stopped and his supervisor got out and asked him, "What's going on Gabriel?" Gabriel couldn't speak about what he was feeling, but he made an effort to tell them. When he took his hands down from his face to explain to them what had happened, they noticed that the tire was totally repaired!!! The supervisor didn't understand what was happening. He inspected the tire several times, from the front, from the back, from all sides and it was totally repaired!!! It was incredible what they saw. They saw the tire flat, and with the truck carrying tons of sand. It is impossible to repair a tire like that.

That Sunday, Gabriel went to Church with his supervisor as a witness of what had happened. He thought we (everyone from Church) weren't going to believe him. Gabriel told everything that happened and he brought a witness. The man, (his supervisor), stood up and said, "I am from another faith, but I am sure of what I saw. He confirmed everything that Gabriel said. Just like that, Gabriel, as well as 4 other visitors wanted to get baptized into the church.

Postscript: The Oaxaca Mission needs your prayers. There is great opposition to the Church, but as you can see, there are great miracles being done by God. Please donate generously to the Church so that the missionary work of the Church can continue and expand in areas like Oaxaca, Mexico. God bless. 

I would like to donate to the following:

Please fill in the amounts for each work that you want to donate to and return in envelope provided.

Native American Works	\$ _____	Kenya / Tanzania	\$ _____
Book of Mormon Translation	\$ _____	Liberia	\$ _____
Burundi / Rwanda (Please Circle)	\$ _____	Malawi / Mozambique (Please Circle)	\$ _____
Colombia	\$ _____	Mexico	\$ _____
Dominica	\$ _____	Muncey / Grand River / Six Nations (Please Circle)	\$ _____
DR Congo / Zambia (Please Circle)	\$ _____	Nepal/Himalayan (Please Circle)	\$ _____
Ghana	\$ _____	Nigeria	\$ _____
Guatemala	\$ _____	Peru	\$ _____
Ecuador	\$ _____	Philippines	\$ _____
India / India Orphans (Please Circle)	\$ _____	Venezuela	\$ _____
Italy	\$ _____		

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P.O. Box 956, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

TOTAL \$ _____



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day from March until November. Malaria and dysentery have infected some of our membership and their children. Medication is still needed to control these illnesses.

I want to share some of their words of appreciation for the Love and concern we have shown towards them:

Brother Jackson wrote an e-mail:

We thank you and the brothers in the USA for what you have done for the Brewerville Mission. We thank every one of you for your prayers, and the money that was sent. When we were in need, you came to help us. Since this Ebola outbreak GOD has protected us from much sickness, including

this wicked sickness called Ebola. We are doing well, thank God, and thank you all for the strong prayers you offer to GOD for us. Continue to pray for us.

Brother Columbus Geepleh, Liberia Church President wrote an e-mail:

Date: November 28. 2014

From: The Trustees:
The Church of Jesus Christ.
Brewerville Mission, Liberia

To: Bro Joseph Perri, Bro Philip,
and those who help to
assist the Church.

Subject: LETTER OF
APPRECIATIONS AND THANKS

We, The Trustees of The Church of Jesus Christ – Brewerville, Liberia, extend our deepest thanks and appreciations to you, Bro. Joe and Bro. Philip, also to those

who helped to assist the Mission financially and with prayers for the Church during the Ebola outbreak in the country of Liberia. May God bless you.

We were blessed to receive the amount mentioned of \$1,900.00, and to inform you this money has been used according to the intended purpose. We highly appreciate the collective efforts which indicate that the Mission stands for God through Christ. We also thank God for your concern for the Brewerville Mission in Liberia, and extend our greetings to all of you that offered continued prayers for us.

Thank You.
God bless.
Pastor Geepleh
Sr. Pastor/President in Charge
The Church of Jesus Christ
- Brewerville Mission-Liberia

Brothers Joe and Philip wish

to express their appreciation to the Q70 and the membership of The Church of Jesus Christ in America for the prayers offered during this critical period of time and for the donations received to purchase food and medication. We continue to appeal to our brothers and sisters to pray for God's mercy, love, and protection until this crisis passes completely. According to the World Health Organization and the President of the Country of Liberia, the spread of the Ebola virus is beginning to slow down.

God Bless,

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