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MALAWI

Location: Blantyre

Mission: Theological Education

Volker is assisting one of PCI's long-term partners in Malawi: TEEM (Theological Education by Extension in Malawi). TEE is a good method of theological training that combines: self-study and group discussion.

Volker has just returned from a meeting of the All Africa Theological Education by Extension Association (AATEEA) meeting in Nairobi, Kenya. It was a very good and informative meeting which included discussion on TEE training in prison and training especially for women. The delegates came from 16 African countries and numerous TEE programmes in these countries. Some fruitful discussion took place that will help strengthen the work of TEE across Africa. Some programmes expressed an interest in the new grass-roots training course (Knowing Jesus) that Volker is finishing at the moment. The interest also includes the first course that we wrote - 'Knowing God'. That is exciting and through the AATEE platform training courses can be shared on the continent.

While in Nairobi, I was able to meet with Naomi Leremore, a PCI global mission worker based in Nairobi. We met for a good number of hours to discuss TEE course writing. We had a very good and productive time together.

As you might know, we had planned to move to South Africa to work with another of PCI's international partners this summer. It all collapsed in early July.



Initially the embassy told us to apply for a certain visa, but after we applied told they us that it was the wrong visa. The progress will take quite some time. In the meantime we have moved from Zomba to Blantyre to be nearer to the schools. It had been quite disruptive but we are now all settled again, the boys adjusted well to their new schools and we are all getting used to living in Blantyre.

Prayer Points

- Pray for the final editing of the 'Knowing Jesus' course and the designing of the workbooks especially, if they might be used in African countries.
- Praise the Lord for the good AATEEA meeting and the discussions about cooperation that arose out of it.
- Praise the Lord for the very good meeting with Naomi and the implementation of our discussion.
- Praise the Lord for the feeling that we are settled now in Blantyre.