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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.



Lay training book, 'Towards a Malawian theology of laity'

We are at the final stage of the publication for a book of theological reflection on lay training / grassroots theological education here in Malawi. By the end of the month, the individual contributions will be submitted.

Yesterday, I had a discussion with a contributor and we agreed that he will change his research to investigate the actual perception of grassroots training in the leadership of a bigger denomination which doesn't appear to be interested in grassroots training. This is an exciting development as we hope to get good insider knowledge, something that we, as outsiders, were unable to get. This could be extremely helpful in understanding how to do lay training better.

TEE College in Johannesburg, South Africa (TEEC) is another global mission partner of our church and we are currently in discussion with them about Volker's involvement in assisting with the groundwork for the revision of their Bachelor in Theology programme. This work can be started from Malawi.

Prayer Points

- Praise the Lord for the opportunities to visit Ireland in December.
- Pray for the contributors to the lay training book, that they are led by the Spirit to write what the church needs to hear.
- Pray for insights when Volker starts the groundwork for the revision of the Bachelor in Theology programme at TEEC.