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Location: **Blantyre, MALAWI**

Mission: **Theological education**



Volker is assisting one of PCI's long-term partners in Malawi: TEEM (Theological Education by Extension in Malawi). Discussion also ongoing to clarify the steps in which Volker can assist another of PCI's partner: TEEC (Theological Education by Extension College in Johannesburg, South Africa).

TEE is a method of theological learning in which self-study is essential. This means that a lot of work is going into preparing quality self-study material.

### Malawi Election - update

On the 23.06.2020 Malawi held its re-run of the May 2019 presidential election as the constitutional court had nullified the election because of voter inconsistencies. The opposition candidate Rev Dr Lazarus Chakwera and the electoral alliance that he formed won the election re-run. The election result was not disputed and the transition was peaceful. Rev Dr Lazarus Chakwera is the son of subsistence farmer, a pastor and theology and now the Malawi's president.

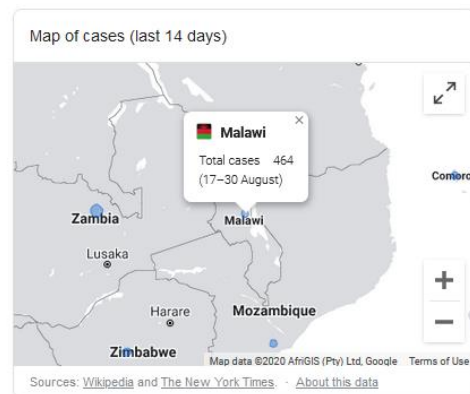
### Covid-19 in Malawi – update

During the last few months of the Covid-19 pandemic we have been here in Malawi. Malawi has been in partial lockdown; international flights are suspended and the schools are closed since March. We praise God who has been merciful, there are only around 5,600 Covid-19 cases (as of writing the bulletin) with around 175 deaths.

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Around 400 health workers contracted the virus but only one life lost. There is a general feeling that the statistic is generally reliable as there are not many unexplained deaths reported in the country. Most cases here are asymptomatic.

The schools start opening gradually from Monday, the 07.09. And International flights resume from the 01.09.2020. It will be interesting to see how the new normal will be here in Malawi.



Cases overview		
Malawi		
Total cases	Recovered	Deaths
5,593	3,516	175

### Family

We are all well and healthy. Our oldest daughter is getting ready for university, now that international flights reassume. She will leave on the 12.09. I order to self-quarantine before starting her studies.

### Prayer Points

- Praise the Lord for Malawi's peaceful re-election and pray for the new government.
- Praise the Lord for the low death rate of Covid-19 in Malawi.
- Pray for our family and especially for our oldest daughter as she settles into university life and starts exploring the world on her own.