

L&E MALAWI.ORG

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

INTRODUCTION



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I thank The Almighty God for the protection of this year. He made the impossible to be possible.

The year 2024 has started with pains and problems. After Cyclone Freddy's destructions, we experienced dry spells. Many areas had no rains. Therefore, people are still facing difficulties from hunger because of the shortage of rains. Even we were in these situations. God did not forget us. He has been faithful to us through all these difficulties. I really appreciate His goodness and kindness.

On behalf of the organization, I am giving thanks and appreciations to the supporters who stood with us last year.

L&E MALAWI was able to carry out some of the activities programmed for this year. The most significant activities were teaching students from different churches in Malawi, opening new literacy classes from difference churches, printing Chisena and Chewa primers, and distribute them to the literacy classes.

SENA LITERACY PROJECT

Soon after planting the crops, we had very heavy rains which brought floods all over the area where Sena classes are located. Therefore, the Sena speaking areas were affected by tropical storms Ana and Gombe. After these tropicals, we faced another dangerous and deadly cyclone, Freddy. The area was flooded all over. Therefore, many houses, crop fields, and properties were washed away by floods.

The year 2024, we experienced a drought spell. We had few rains in selected areas. People did not have enough time and opportunity to plant fields because of the drought. The harvest was not good enough. Therefore, we expecting a shortage of food in 2025.

This is a time when I was visiting literacy classes in Nsanje. I had an opportunity to visit this class. The students asked me to see their skills of writing on their own. Everybody was asking to write in my notebook. They told me that they wanted me to remember them when I saw their handwriting. Their teacher is checking them when they are writing.

In this class one of the students is a village headman. He is one who is encouraging his people in the village to attend the class.



The students at a class under the shade of the Ndamela.



This is the Dumba 1 literacy class. They do not have a full chalkboard. The teacher hangs the piece of board on his neck and starts teaching them to write. This piece of board was given in 2022. During Cyclone Freddy, the board was torn apart. They lost the other half and use the remaining piece. The class is under the tree.

The problem is not yet solved because of lack of funds. We have to pray for it.

The village headman Kungaechea is one of the students. He is the one who is encouraging his fellow students to attend the classes. He is also encouraging a teacher to do his work. The teacher is a pastor. Both are encouraging the students to attend the classes.



This is a village headman.

CHIKWAWA LITERACY PROJECT

I had a wonderful visitation to the classes and distributed the Chewa Primers I printed. I visited more literacy classes in Chikwawa last year. I found out that many classes are operating even where drought affected these two districts of Chikwawa and Nsanje.

I had an opportunity to visit a class in Chikwawa. I found out that some teachers are not well trained by the Trainer of the Trainers (TOT). Therefore, I was demonstrating to them how to teach the five steps again. Some teachers were the first students. Now they are teachers. So, they need a refresher course. These refresher courses must be held at all the training centers in the districts.



Praise Items

- Praise God for the primer printing funds.
- Praise God for certificate printing funds.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for the support, supporting the Trainer of the Trainers like you did last year. I sent the budget for literacy last year.
- Pray for traveling funds to visit and see literacy projects around Malawi.
- Pray for Kokhola, Nyiha, and Sukwa primer constructions. The first will be conducted on 31st March to 14th April. The second construction will be on 1st May to 14th May 2025. (These Primer Construction Workshops will be funded by The Word for the World Bible Translator – Malawi.)
- Pray for replacement of my laptop. I have been using it since 2018.
- Pray for registration of the L&E – Malawi.org

Table 1: Summary of trainings

Languages	Number of trained master facilitators	Number of Literacy teachers	Total
Chewa	3	60	63
Sena	4	209	213
Total	7	269	276

Table 2: Learners' participation in courses.

Languages	Number of classes	Number of learners	Observations
Chewa	110	1501	Literacy classes opened by the government are not taken into account.
Sena	150	1787	Literacy classes opened by the government are not taken into account.
Total	260	3288	

Table 3: Financial Report

Amount	Financing Structure	Purpose of the funding	Observations
\$1,209	Supporter	My personal support	I need prayers and God's intervention for my personal support. I do get \$100 per month which is very difficult for me to survive.
\$6100	Literacy and Evangelism International	Printing of Sena and Chewa Primers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$5000 for printing of Sena and Chewa primers.• 1,100 for fuel
400 Canadian Dollar	LEI- CANADA	Printing Certificates and insurance, certificate of fitness COF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 400

CONCLUSION:

According to what I have seen during this time of my ministry, I find out that there is hidden treasure. Literacy is a tool to open and vindicate the truth of the Word of God. Indeed, learning to read and write in local languages is very important to people in our communities here in Malawi. It is also easy communication of the Gospel to the non-Christians around us.