EXCITING MMI CHANGES...

... FROM A CONGREGATION MODEL TO A COMMUNITY MODEL

MMI has completed the Creative Methods of HIV and AIDS Education training and the Equipping Women | Empowering Girls training programs in all 182 CCAP congregations of the central region of Malawi. That means we have trained 2,184 Certified Creative Methods instructors and 1,092 Certified Equipping Women instructors in ten years — WHHEW! So, we asked ourselves... what next?

As we said in the last newsletter, our February/March trip was one of review, assessment, celebration and planning for the future. The result was confirmation of the need for an expanded approach for MMI. We are excited to embark on a community model in order to reach the broader village populations — A CHANGE — that will begin in the schools.

... THEY ASKED FOR MORE CHANGE

After meetings with our in-country Coordinator, Regional and Area Reps, and EW | EG survey participants, the desire for additional training became clear — specifically on topics that have come to the forefront — the connection between alcohol and drug abuse to HIV and AIDS, human rights issues and coping with conflict and stress. So, we researched and developed curriculum to address these topics during the July continuing education courses for our key leaders.

... MALAWI STATUS UPDATE — NG-Oh!

Our Coordinator and Reps are very excited and supportive of the decision to transition to a community model that will enable them to “reach and teach” more of their village members. They strongly urged us to apply for NGO status in Malawi to give official government status to the MMI programs. This will facilitate development of relationships with the schools and other groups in the villages. We have filed all of the necessary paperwork and hope to receive approval during our July trip!

JULY PRAYER GUIDE

2017 TRIP #2 | MALAWI TRIP #19

As always, please pray for health, safe travel and guidance for the team — Phyllis Wezeman; Emily, Jordan and Ben Maiden; Laura McHugh and Helen Zimba — as they meet with the many dedicated MMI in-country representatives for reporting, planning and continuing education classes. Here is their anticipated schedule:

JULY 3 – 5
Travel to Lilongwe, Malawi via Toronto and Addis Ababa

JULY 6 | LILONGWE
Meetings and preparation for continuing education courses

JULY 7 – 9 | CHONGONI
Meetings with our MMI in-country Coordinator and 9 Regional Representatives (RRs) to review village visits, reporting, program priorities and finances

JULY 10 – 12 | CHONGONI
Creative Methods continuing education with our Coordinator, RRs, Area Reps (ARs) and Local Reps (LRs)

JULY 13 – 15 | CHONGONI
Equipping Girls continuing education with our Coordinator, RRs, EW|EG AR Women Leaders and LRs for Chileka, Chimwang’ombe, Dzenza, Kapiri, Likuni, Lilongwe, Malingunde, Mang’a, Mchinji, Mlanda, Mpando, Mphunzi, Nkhoma...
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**JULY 16 – 19 | MTHUMTHAMA, KAMUZU ACADEMY**
Equipping Women | Empowering Girls continuing education with our Coordinator, RRs, EW|EG AR Women Leaders and LRs for Chilanga, Chinthembwe, Kakonje, Thumba

**JULY 20 – 22 | MPONELA**
Equipping Women | Empowering Girls continuing education with our Coordinator, RRs, EW|EG AR Women Leaders and LRs for Kanjiwa, Kongwe, Machentche

**JULY 23 – 26 | SENGA BAY/SALIMA**
Equipping Women | Empowering Girls continuing education with our Coordinator, RRs, EW|EG AR Women Leaders and LRs for Kolowiro, Malembo, Mvera

**JULY 27 | LILONGWE**
Wrap-up meetings and visits

**JULY 28 | RETURN TO U.S.**

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