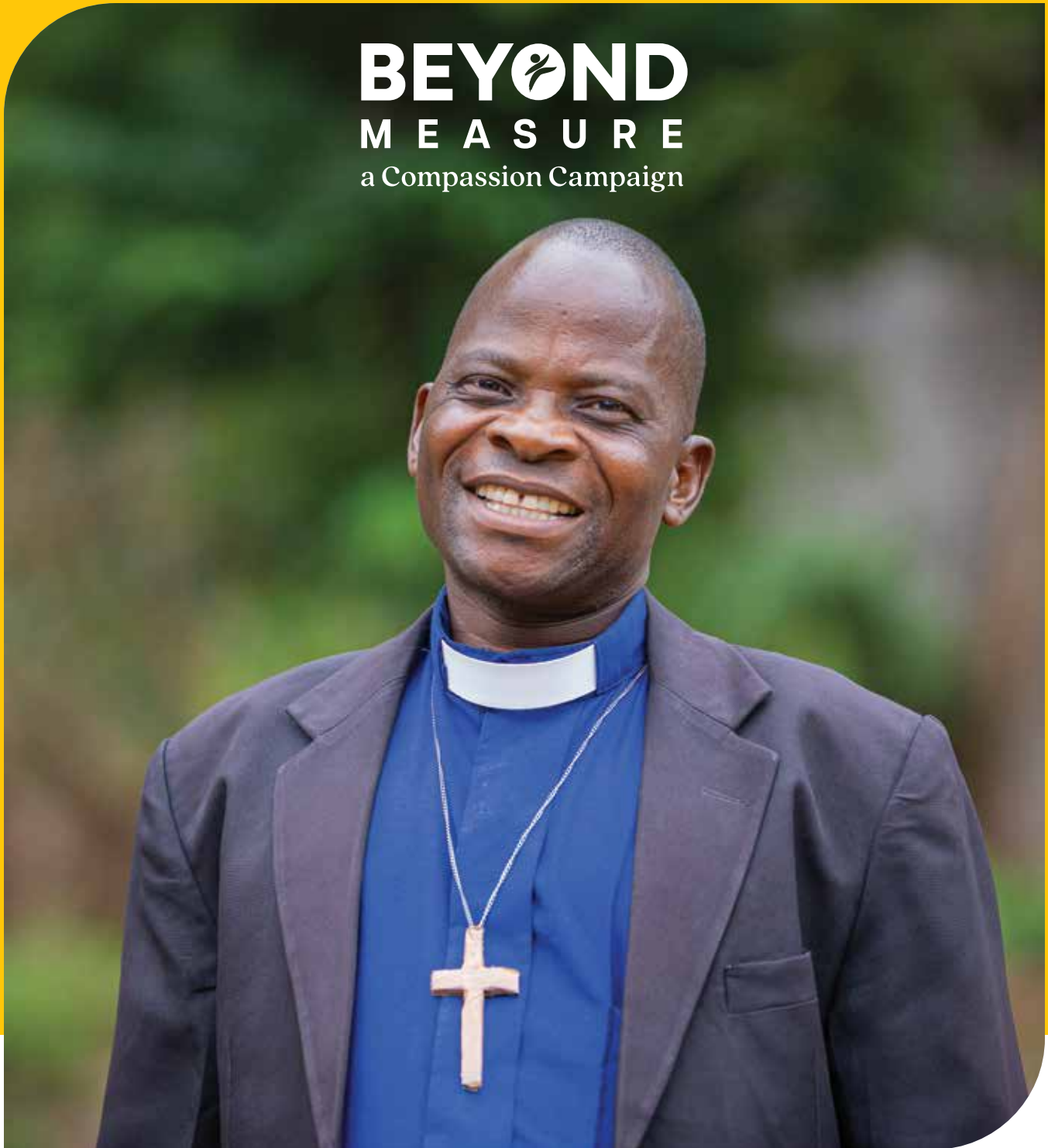


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“Despite significant challenges, we are witnessing meaningful improvements in the lives of children, families, churches and communities. The program is strengthening household well-being and helping participants grow into thriving Christians.”

JOEL MACHARIA, SENIOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF COMPASSION AFRICA

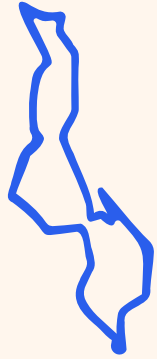
Hope Is Taking Root in Malawi

In Malawi, poverty is not an abstract concept – it is a daily reality shaping the lives of children and their families. Over the past four years, annual inflation has hovered between 20% and 32%, placing enormous strain on already fragile households and pushing many deeper into food insecurity. At the same time, climate shocks such as drought and flooding have devastated crops and livelihoods, leaving millions vulnerable to hunger and economic instability.

Behind these stories and statistics are real families navigating difficult choices every day: a child going to bed hungry, a caregiver stretching one meal as far as it will go, or a student whose education is interrupted not by lack of ability but by lack of resources. Across Malawi, countless communities are carrying the weight of economic pressure and climate instability while doing their best to persevere with limited means.

And yet, because of your partnership, hope is taking root in these communities. Local churches are stepping forward to meet urgent needs and walk alongside families with compassion and care. In Malawi, 99.6% of families who entered Compassion’s program in 2025 are living on less than \$3.65 per day – the highest poverty rate among participants across all of Compassion’s program countries.

Your generosity is helping ensure that children in Malawi are not forgotten in the face of such overwhelming need. Through the faithful presence of local churches and the compassion of supporters like you, light continues to shine in places where hope is needed most.



You're Making a Difference in Malawi

18,469
children and youth being supported holistically

107%
participant growth this past year

104
church partners serving their neighborhoods

2,600
babies and their mothers receiving Survival care

294
supported births for pregnant mothers



Relief Within Reach Through the Local Church

The road to Chinyanje in southern Malawi is dusty and stony, broken in places, much like the bridges that lead into the village. The sun presses heavily from above, relentless and scorching. Here, one loses sweat faster than one can reach the next water point. Dehydration is a daily threat.

For years, collecting water each day was a battle against distance, danger and exhaustion. The arrival of the Compassion center in the area symbolized hope, but access to water remained a distant dream.

With the nearest boreholes half a kilometer away, a local river was the closest option. But it held other risks: diarrhea and other waterborne diseases became constant threats to children and families. Nearly a third of all illnesses recorded at the center could be traced back to contaminated water.

But the church and the Compassion center refused to accept the struggle for safe water as a matter of fate. Through the generosity of donors like you, a solar-powered pump, a raised tank and three water points were installed at the center, now serving more than 1,000 households. Not only have occurrences of illness dropped significantly, but there is also a strengthened trust between the church and the community.

"We are glad to be part of the solution for the community," says the local pastor, Exvin. "We are not only sharing the Word of God, but also solutions to people's daily needs like this clean water."

"We are free," explains Lydia, a single mother of two children who receive support through the Compassion program. "No longer bound by the long walks, long lines and lost livelihoods just to find water. Now, things have changed. We go to the farm and do our small business without worrying, because we know water is always available."

Today, the water installation is at the heart of the community, a place where children share laughter, splash the water with bright smiles and share the joy of knowing their burden has been lifted.

"When we say we are grateful for this water, we truly mean it," says Lydia. "We know God had planned that one day we would have water. And he has fulfilled that plan through the local church."

Trades, Tools and a Brighter Tomorrow

Youth unemployment in Malawi is a critical issue, with opportunities extraordinarily scarce for children coming out of primary school. According to the World Bank and the United Nations, 38% of young women and 23% of young men are not in employment, education or training (NEET). And for 15 to 24-year-olds who do have a job, more than 8 in 10 work in low-quality jobs that are insufficient for meeting their own and their family's needs.

In response, Compassion Malawi has utilized your support to deploy a new youth development initiative targeting this group of young people. By connecting them with opportunities to learn skills and a marketable trade alongside spiritual development and a supportive community, this NEET program is already making a remarkable difference:

- 143 youth are learning skills in cosmetology and tailoring.
- 173 youth are developing construction skills in carpentry, welding, electrical engineering and bricklaying.
- 14 youth are studying food production.
- 143 youth are on track to become automobile mechanics.
- 11 youth are learning IT and phone repair skills.

Two of these inspiring youth are Samson and Osman, young men who have transformed their lives and are now supporting their families.

Samson grew up as an orphan in a youth-headed family after losing both parents in 2002. With limited opportunities in a rural area, he dropped out of school in the third grade to help his siblings survive. Despite this challenging beginning, Samson's life changed when he was selected for the NEET program in November 2024 and began receiving training in welding and metal fabrication at a local technical college. Today, Samson has completed his studies and is using his new skills to earn a living and support his family.

Osman had to leave school in seventh grade due to a lack of necessities like a school uniform. With little hope for a better future, Osman had no choice but to stay with his mother and fight just to survive. Through the support of the local Compassion center, however, Osman was able to access the same welding and metal fabrication courses that Samson took at the local technical college. Now, Osman has finished his studies and is making a living as he works toward a brighter future.



“Having access to education gives hope to all children, especially the poor and vulnerable children, that there is hope for a better tomorrow. From the interactions I have had with some youth, each one of them confirmed the shattered hope that comes with being out of school and not being in employment. With this program, there is a rebirth of that hope.”

ROREEN MZEMBE, SENIOR MANAGER OF PROGRAM SUPPORT, MALAWI





Please Join Us in Prayer

- That God would provide the right people with the necessary skills, character and calling to strengthen our work and steward growth well.
- Against natural disasters in areas experiencing either the rainy season or prolonged drought, and for continued recovery for those affected by past disasters.
- For the children and families we serve, that they would experience the hope of Christ and freedom from poverty through this sacred work.

Thank You for Expanding Hope in Malawi

“We are deeply grateful for our donors’ partnership in this mission. Your support enables us to serve vulnerable children, youth and families across Malawi, strengthening things like health, water, sanitation and livelihoods. As we expand programs and empower Frontline Church Partners, your contributions continue to make a tangible, Christ-centered impact on communities, empowering the Church to serve sustainably and effectively.”

Joel Macharia, Senior Regional Director of Africa