

*"The eternal God is your refuge and his everlasting arms are under you."
Deuteronomy 34.27 NLT*

Lucy Chipeta 1958-2024

Following the sad news that Lucy Chipeta, Executive Director of Home of Hope since 2007, died on October 26 2024, we give thanks to God for her life and dedication to HOH, her Christian faith, her love and passion for vulnerable and orphaned children, inspirational leadership and unfailingly warm welcome to our Trustees and supporters from the UK. Pray for God will comfort Pastor Chipeta, Mrs Chipeta and everyone at HOH and give them peace.

In the midst of sadness, there is much to give thanks for.

Linda has been appointed as the new Executive Director with Joseph as Assistant Executive Director. May God equip them and all the leadership team with abundant wisdom, grace, integrity, strength and courage. Praise God that a few MOF trustees and supporters were able to spend time with Lucy when they visited HOH in September. We thank God for safe travelling, fruitful meetings with the leaders of HOH, the schools and Vocational Training Centre, for much encouragement and many blessings.

Give praise and thanks to God

- that fewer mothers are dying in childbirth. Now, with fewer vulnerable children living at HOH, the housemothers are each able to focus on caring for two to five children. 50% of the children at HOH come to day classes from the surrounding area.
 - for the charity, Mary's Meals, who will be supplying daily enriched porridge for the primary children.
 - for new MOF videos and the roles played by Edina and Cynthia. Pray for inspiration as MOF develops our communication with younger generations.
 - for recent varied opportunities to fundraise and share the work of HOH with our supporters and local community.
1. Christ Church Bedford MOF lunch in September, reporting news from the recent trip.
 2. 'An Afternoon at the Opera' at St Paul's church Bedford.
 3. Speaking at the morning service, Waterloo Free Church, Crosby, Liverpool, with much joy in meeting supporters and listening to their questions and suggestions face to face.
 4. CCB Ladies Elevenses in November, where 55 ladies heard Gillian and Ruth talk about the women and girls at HOH.

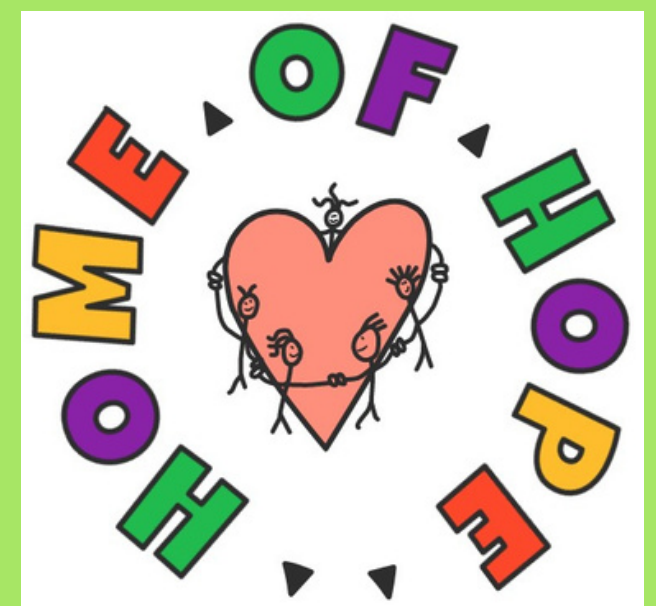
If you would like to like us to visit your church or community group, please get in touch.

Pray for God's favour on

- the Vocational Training Centre students taking their end of year exams this term.
- the growth of the newly established MOF "Young Adult Sponsorship Programme" for VTC students.
- the trustees seeking new ways to keep our sponsors up to date.
- the provision of resources for the schools and VTC courses at all levels and excellent Continuing Professional Development for the teaching staff at HOH.
- the refurbishment of classrooms and successful completion of the project to build the VTC administration office.
- supplies, skill and good practise for ongoing maintenance of resources and buildings and on all those working to improve the ground drainage at HOH. Pray for protection from the extremes of weather that damage the buildings.

Looking ahead with Malawi Orphan Fund, please join us in asking God for

- a generous response to 'Gifts that Give', our Christmas fund-raiser. (See MOF website).
- growth in business contacts willing to invest in MOF enterprises, schools willing to share expertise with HOH and opportunities to connect with churches and community groups.
- His inspiration, guidance and blessing on plans to celebrate MOF's 20th Anniversary in 2025 - including the afternoon of February 15th at Christ Church Bedford. Save the date! We give thanks for those who set up the charity, all who have worked to keep it running and for the faithful prayers of all, including yourselves, that have sustained us. "All glory to God our Father for ever and ever!" (Phil. 4.20)



Prayer underpins all the efforts of Home of Hope to secure education, care and support for the children and the work of Malawi Orphan Fund. Thank you for praying with us.

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