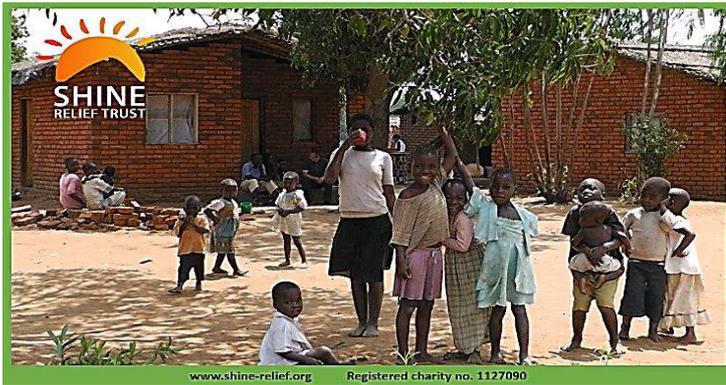


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## Supporting families in the community

### Anthony and Agnes sharing God's word with Mums and students



Shine Relief cares for orphans from various villages at Shine Village whilst working closely with local communities. Without access to food, education and basic health care many children are found helpless in the villages of Kuntumanji. Monthly household provisions and malaria preventative measures alongside support provided to repair homes and assistance given with income generating activities such as farming, has helped to relieve pressure from those who oversee their households alone, greatly improving their living conditions.

Agnes is studying Social Work and is on an internship with Shine Relief Trust for three months. She has already become a greatly valued part of Shine's team, supporting programs running at Shine Centre and visiting the families in the community. She particularly enjoys meeting with the older girls encouraging them in their school work and inspiring them to aim high to see their dreams become a reality. Shine has seen many cases of children becoming pregnant and dropping out of school. The girls love Agnes and through her support they are making better life choices, understanding the value education and developing a better understanding of the world around them.

## Shine Village First Children's home

We are thrilled to announce that work has now started on the first children's house this week after plans to add an additional shower and toilet to the home were finalised.



The three bedroomed home will be the first of many homes at Shine Village accommodating orphaned children from across the area. Last year's severe floods caused devastation across Malawi with many families losing homes and farm land. Whole communities are still struggling to recover without resources to rebuild their homes and sadly some children are still homeless. Emergency relief has been given to families in our area, however with limited resources the Social Welfare department is struggling to cope with the growing number of vulnerable children. The CBO feeding programs across the area provide food for those most at risk thanks to the ongoing support of Shine Relief Trust. As the level of child poverty is catastrophically high in our area, local chiefs and community leaders are asking for more support to identify the most vulnerable child headed families.

Please continue to pray for our team every Tuesday 12pm-12.45pm. We are seeing awesome things happening in Malawi. Thank you for all your payers and support

## Unika Egg project



The Shine Village project continues to work towards a greater level of sustainability through the development our farmland and the construction of our first chicken house. Unika Egg gift cards purchased last Christmas have helped to ensure a sustainable source of protein for the children who take ARV's on a daily basis.

**Did you know a monthly donation of £25 can help a family receive essential monthly household supplies?** An increasing number of families now receive monthly provisions from Shine to supplement their tiny stores, which will now include eggs.



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## Food Crisis Update

Last year Malawi had a deficit of 220,000 tonnes of food. This year, the UN's World Food Programme in Lilongwe are anticipating it will be four times worse. The maize price is already exceptionally high. As food insecurity tightens and water scarcity increases due to the drought, there are early signs of acute malnutrition in Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe however Malawi is considered the worst affected among several counties in a struggling region. Climate change is effecting Malawi and like many other countries in the region, Malawi had a double disaster with erratic rains and floods which led into droughts. 2.8 million people were affected. Maize and cassava crops harvested in May did not do very well. We have continued to buy maize and porridge flour from local traders, however they have run out on many occasions. Some people queue for days to buy a bag of maize.

The UN's office for humanitarian affairs recently stated "Food security across southern Africa will start deteriorating by July, reaching its peak between December 2016 and April 2017. We are very concerned - a second year without rain threatens to bring catastrophe for some of the poorest people in the world. Donor countries, in the grip of wars and refugee crises, have been slow to pledge funds. But by the time they do, it could be too late."

*"Women in our area are now in a situation where they have no choice but to cut back on food, selling whatever assets they may possess just to buy food and meet their basic survival needs. Then they have nothing left to pay for health care services or education fees for their children, not to mention reserves to get them through future emergencies."* Suzen



Suzen with the Mothers who volunteer at Shines feeding programs.

**Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19 v17 (ESV)**

## Chilambe CBO effected latest storms



120 children will be attending Shine Early Years group at Shine Centre after we received report that their centre had collapsed during the heavy rains. Shine has agreed to help with the repair costs to ensure this vital work continues ensuring the youngest most vulnerable children in the area are supported.

Shine Early Years Group, at Shine Village, assists young children (0-5 years) particularly those who are vulnerable and affected by HIV/AIDS. Children come from villages in Kuntumanji; for some it can be a very long walk. Before Shine Relief began equipping the CBO's in 2010 most families did not send their young children to an Early Years group. A child's value was based on what they could do in the home: assisting with chores, fetching water, and farming the land. These tasks done from an early age. However, mothers are now learning the importance of introducing education to their young ones through play and their attitudes are changing towards education. CBO groups supported by Shine are now in their 5<sup>th</sup> year. After a long time without any support they are able to continually feed, teach and care for more children as well as identify the most vulnerable children who need special attention.

To support our program as we deliver food and develop Shine land during the coming years please call the office or email [deborah@shine-relief.org](mailto:deborah@shine-relief.org) or visit [www.shine-relief.org](http://www.shine-relief.org)  
To give to the Children's House fund or our feeding program fund <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/donate/shine-relief-trust>

## Lets get together at Shine's Night Out

raising funds for  
SHINE RELIEF MALAWI  
Shine Relief Trust presents  
**We Got Talent**  
The Back Room Cottingham  
June 24<sup>th</sup> 7 till 10.30pm  
Tickets £10.50 adult / £6 child  
Food served at 7.30pm bar till 11pm  
Sign up to take part 01482 506333 / [info@shine-relief.org](mailto:info@shine-relief.org)  
Bring your friends. Malawian curri's on sale. Updates on Shine Village Project  
all proceeds will go towards Early Years children's projects in Zomba District  
07762243302 / [deborah@shine-relief.org](mailto:deborah@shine-relief.org)/book on-line to reserve your place.  
Visit [www.shine-relief.org](http://www.shine-relief.org) for more information



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## Malawi here we come !



### Summer Ministry Trips - June and August

This year two small groups of volunteers will be heading off to Malawi to minister alongside our team and experience a whole new culture. They will be involved in organising activities at Shine Village as well as visiting families, praying for the sick and elderly, and sharing the word of God. We believe it will be a life changing experience - encountering God's presence at work in the heart of one of the poorest communities in Malawi.

### New Zealand Team to visit Malawi

A small team of four volunteers headed by Trustee Lynley Marett are departing New Zealand on 6<sup>th</sup> July to travel to Zomba to spend ten days visiting the Shine Village to meet and work alongside those involved. This visit will enable the team members to experience firsthand the daily routine for the people living in Kuntumanji. They are looking forward to participating in the activities and programs that already operate throughout the village, as well as viewing the income generating projects and building works that are currently underway.

The Group have been busy fundraising for their trip and have received several donations from supporters to enable them to purchase educational materials, mosquito nets, housing and food supplies - as required during their visit.

Connect Kids' 8 year old Casey-May Watt, raised nearly \$200 (£96) through participation in a local supermarket's promotion, in addition to the gifts of soft toys purchased from her 'pocket money' to be distributed to babies and young children in Malawi. Lynley Marett.



On August 28<sup>th</sup> Phil and Deb will also be taking volunteers Hannah and Cameron from the UK to volunteer on projects at Shine Village. Please pray for the UK and New Zealand teams as the travel for good health and safety.

## Summer Fundraising 2016



This year one of our supporters Paul Wood (pictured above in a red Malawian football shirt with the 18KM Walk Team 2013) has committed to complete four 10K runs, hoping to complete one a month over the next four months. Paul has visited Malawi and has seen first-hand the widespread poverty and neglect of children. This has motivated him to take part in almost every Shine event since 2012. Please get behind him as he raises funds for Shines vital work.

### Summer runs

- Leeds 10K 10<sup>th</sup> July
  - Harrogate 10K 24<sup>th</sup> July
  - Grimsby 10K 31<sup>st</sup> July
  - York 10K Run 7<sup>th</sup> August
  - Stafford 10K Run 25<sup>th</sup> September
  - Scarborough 10K Run 30<sup>th</sup> October
- Contact the office if you want to join a run!

### Annual Walking Event - September 3<sup>rd</sup> 10am till 2pm.

We hope to combine a walk in the UK and in Malawi. Our walks are normally between 9-12 miles long and start at a local carpark

### Shine Night Out June 24<sup>th</sup>

175a Hallgate, Cottingham HU16 4BB  
7 - 10.30pm Buffet supper 7.30pm Tickets £10.50 adults /£6

### Shine BBQ Challenge is back!

Send for your pack today £10 – 07762243302

### Donations for Malawi welcome!

We are collecting items to take on our trip  
You can donate items such as footballs, football kits, bike puncture repair kits, children's paints and unlocked mobile phones ( and chargers please)

### Climb every mountain!

The whole team will be climbing Zomba Mountain (4 and a half hour climb) during the Malawi Mission trip alongside the Malawi staff team. To support this challenge which will raise funds for the work at Shine Village visit

<http://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/zombamountclimb>



Details for all events are found at [www.shine-relief.org](http://www.shine-relief.org)

