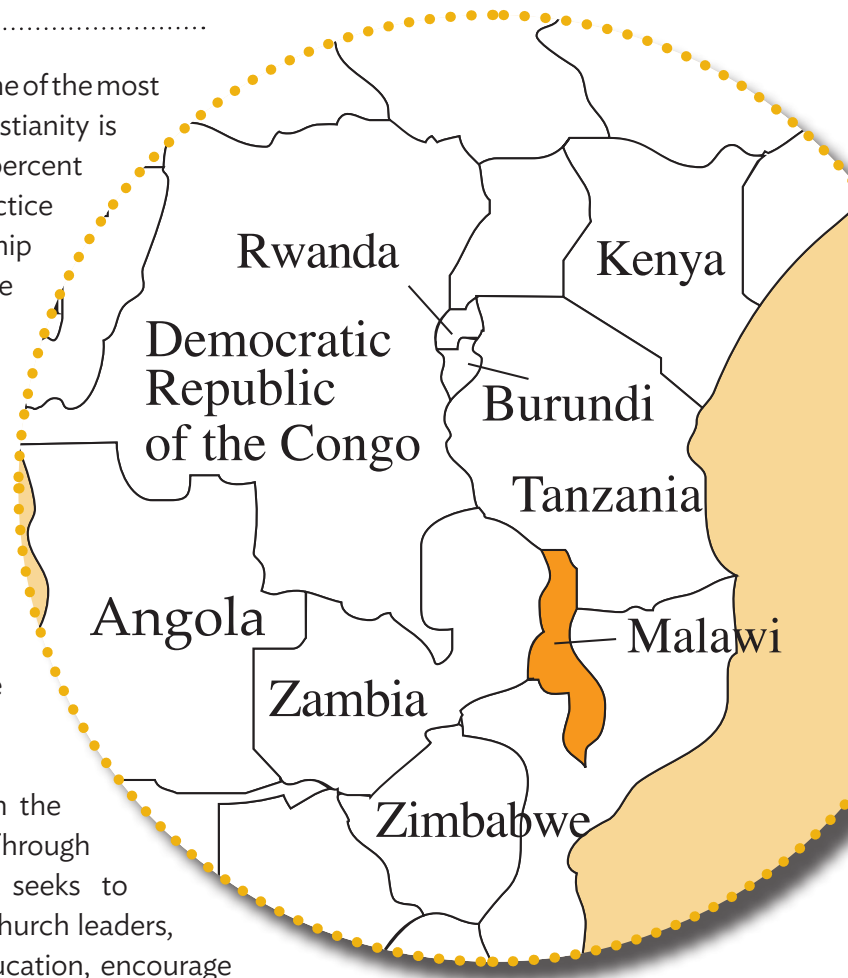


Partner with Presbyterian World Mission in Malawi

Located in southeast Africa, Malawi is land-locked and one of the most densely populated nations in Sub-Saharan Africa. Christianity is the dominant religion (55 percent are Protestant, 20 percent are Catholic, 20 percent are Muslim and 3 percent practice indigenous religions). The PC(USA) works in partnership with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian's three synods in Malawi, Blantyre, Livingstonia and Nkhoma. A mostly agricultural country, Malawi's main industries include tobacco, tea and sugar. Poverty is pervasive, and some 73 percent of the population lives below the poverty line. Most Malawians are subsistence farmers, but consistent droughts and floods hamper their ability to produce adequate food supplies. In addition to population growth and difficulty with agricultural production, poor access to education, endemic malaria, malnutrition, extremely high maternal mortality, and the spread of HIV/AIDS pose major problems for Malawi.

Presbyterian World Mission works in partnership with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP). Through partnership with CCAP, World Mission especially seeks to support training of theological students and strategic church leaders, strengthen work in primary and secondary school education, encourage interventions which combat endemic poverty, and address strategic issues of women and children. Our mission co-workers in Malawi assist and encourage CCAP in these activities.



Working together with our partners in Malawi

Responding to the needs of our partners, Presbyterian World Mission has made our work in Malawi a priority. All of our mission co-workers in Malawi share a common commitment to strengthening the witness of God's presence through our partner church and making a transformational impact in the lives of the people. Malawi is a place where Presbyterian World Mission is pursuing work in all three of our critical global initiatives. They include:

- **Addressing the root causes of poverty.** We seek to empower people through education, through various health ministries, and through a variety of programs designed to strengthen the lives of women and children.
- **Sharing the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ.** We are strengthening the outreach of our partner church by helping it train new ministers. CCAP is experiencing a severe clergy shortage—pastor to member ratio is 1:7000. We also work in the area of Community Health Evangelism.
- **Engaging in ministries of reconciliation.** We stand with our partners as they work for fair and open elections that are free from violence. We also support our partner's ministries that address violence against women and children.

Support your mission co-workers in Malawi



Rev. Jeremy Garbat-Welch and Luta Garbat-Welch

Luta serves as the PC(USA) Africa Community Health Facilitator in Malawi, where she is based, and in four other countries: the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Zambia. She helps African partners develop sustainable community health programs and implement Community Health Evangelism. Jeremy, a clinically trained hospital chaplain, shares his expertise with Presbyterian clergy in Malawi. “We are called to serve God by living holistic lives of faith and health and sharing God’s message of wholeness with others,” they write. “We hope that through our lives and work that we will help others live lives of wholeness and healing for others and the world.” Home ecclesiastical body: Hurstbourne Christian Church, Louisville; *E200515, D507577*



Rev. Janet Guyer

Janet is serving as a Regional Facilitator for Women and Children’s Interests. She accompanies African partners as they strive to address the marginalization of women and children in their communities. She assists with strategic planning, works with women leaders as they seek to expand their skill sets, supports initiatives that promote the well-being of women and children, and encourages relationship-building among women across Africa. She also engages with Presbyterian Women and other US constituencies to come alongside and promote these efforts. Janet’s ministry focuses on the countries of Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Ethiopia. Janet has been under mission appointment since 1989. Home presbytery: Pittsburgh; *E200351, D506385*



Dr. Rochelle Holm and Tyler Holm

Tyler teaches theology to future pastors at the University of Livingstonia Faculty of Theology which is affiliated with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian Synod of Livingstonia. This is meeting a key need of CCAP to train pastors; the clergy/lay ratio in their Malawian synods is 1:7,000! Rochelle manages the University of Mzuzu’s WatSan Centre of Excellence, which is committed to researching approaches to providing clean water and sanitation in northern Malawi and beyond, and she also assists the Synod of Livingstonia Development Department in its water and sanitation work. Tyler and Rochelle emphasize that Rochelle’s expertise in water and sanitation and Tyler’s skills in teaching theology are built on an unwavering passion to follow Christ’s call. Home ecclesiastical body: West Side Church, Richland, WA; *E200532, D507572*



James McGill and Jodi McGill

Jim and Jodi are on itinerant assignment in the US, and Jim is also providing consultation on water and sanitation projects with PC(USA) global partners with a focus on South Sudan where he travels to provide consultation to the Presbyterian Relief and Development Agency. Home presbytery: Greater Atlanta; *E200385, D506718*



Dr. Barbara Nagy

Barbara, a board-certified physician in pediatrics and internal medicine, recently completed a master’s degree in public health. She works primarily in community health while serving as a pediatric consultant at Nkhoma Hospital, an institution of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian, Synod of Nkhoma. She is directing children’s health services at the hospital and developing procedures for use in health centers and community health teams, which involves teaching Malawian and expatriate medical and nursing students, among others. The hope is to expand community outreach services so that all people in the health system have access to basic health services such as vaccinations, prenatal care, and HIV testing. “I feel God has called me to live out the gospel of his love for everyone by working in a healing ministry in Central Malawi, where death and disease limit the lives of fellow Christians and keep them from attaining all God intended for them,” Barbara says. Home presbytery: Western North Carolina; *E200522, D507546*



Nancy Collins

As regional liaison for East Central Africa, Nancy facilitates PC(USA) relationships with partner churches and institutions in Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, and Zambia. Her special focus is on partners’ work related to evangelism, leadership development, and church growth. Nancy also provides support for other mission personnel in the region and assists PC(USA) congregations and presbyteries that want a relationship with partners in East Central Africa as well as helping to facilitate current partnerships. Home presbytery: Southern New England; *E200471, D506149*

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