



Chapin Living Waters

Transforming Villages through Drip Irrigation

The following is a report we received from Hope Lutheran Church, Spencerport, NY who sent a team to Malawi in March.

Today's action item was Drip Irrigation training. We had a wonderful full house at the compound. We met under a pavilion roof where we were protected from the sun. 40 people attending the training which went from 9:30 a.m. till about 2 p.m. Afterwards we enjoyed lunch, as our students left on foot and bicycles making their way back home. Some of them had traveled a significant distance - 2 to 3 hours, or more, walking in the hot sun. They were all very engaged and very interested in participating. There were a lot of great specific questions and interactions. It was very easy to see that these local village farmers are ready to 'have at it'. These guys, and a few ladies as well, will certainly find great success with this equipment. With their understanding and their agricultural background, they will do fantastic!

19 kits went out today. One of the kits went to the school at the orphanage where it will be used for training exposure and agricultural exercise for the students. Pastor Duncan's cousin, Lucky, will oversee the training for the children as this system is introduced to the younger generation.

Hope you enjoy these pictures of the Chapin drip kit instruction class. It's easy to see some of the excitement that we were standing in the middle of. Very awesome! Please pray with us that this will be a wonderful advancement for the agricultural community here. These kits will provide up to 4 planting seasons per year, mainly for vegetable crops which will be a great supplement to their traditional maize planting and harvest. Currently there is only 1 planting season per year and it is often plagued by drought.

The day was filled with hope, anticipating God's blessing in these gardens.



Drip Irrigation Kits going out to the 14 villages.



We are demonstrating how the Drip Irrigation Kit is assembled.



Mike is describing the cloth that will cover the bucket to keep out dirt that could plug the irrigation lines. It also serves as a filter to strain the water that is poured into the bucket.

The LORD will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. Is. 58:11

From The Desk of David Rivers, Interim Executive Director.....

Reflecting the Legacy but Looking Forward to the Future

As I look back I'm reminded of God's hand upon the ministry of Chapin Living Waters. Our founder, Dick Chapin, had the goal to operate his business and the Chapin Living Waters Foundation with a focus of honoring God in all of their dealings. His passion was to see the benefits of drip irrigation used to bless others. I was one of the beneficiaries of those who crossed Mr. and Mrs. Chapin's paths. Mr. Chapin offered me employment as a young high school student and also prayerfully supported my wife and I in our ministry opportunities. Today, drip irrigation kits are working in over 150 countries and Mr. Chapin only credited his inventions to God's great mercy upon him.

The Bible tells us that there is a season for everything in Ecclesiastes 3:1. "There is a time and a season for every activity under heaven." God is a meticulous planner. He scheduled a banquet called "the marriage supper of the Lamb." years in advance (Rev. 19:9). He instructed Noah to build the ark and gave him the exact instructions (Genesis 6). He gave Moses the specific colors and fabrics He wanted used in constructing the tabernacle in Exodus 26. God always has a plan. Chapin Living Waters is and continues to be in God's plan. Will you, along with the team here, continue to commit to praying for the future of Chapin Living Waters as we continue to be faithful to following God's plan?

Items to pray for:

- The Board of Directors as they continue to search for a full-time Executive Director
- Continued vision and planning by the Board
- The kits that have been sent to other countries.
- Development of partnerships with other organizations and mission groups.
- The opportunity of sharing the Gospel
- The financial needs of this ministry
- We would continue to be building relationships in our community through our community gardens

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