

Missions Update

March 2023



The Liberty Project

The Liberty Project © is a small Christian faith based non-profit based in Nacala, Northern Mozambique.

Our heart is to see young women Liberated from abuse, exploitation and cultural oppression. We work to empower each woman through discipleship, education, skills training and employment in social enterprise.

It's estimated that around 98% of Mozambican females have been sexually abused; whether it be from cultural ceremony, sexual exploitation or through the 'norms' of womanhood that culture perpetrates.

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Laura Monahan is a missionary based in Nacala, her role is founder and director of The Liberty Project - Based on Isaiah 61.



Update from Laura

Hi friends

Every day I marvel at what the Lord has done here so far with the construction of the Women's Centre. It really is nothing short of a miracle! It wasn't that long ago that it was a barren field and I had nothing but a dream in my heart and faith that the Lord will provide all we needed to build. The foundations were laid in June 2022 and now at the end of February 2023 we are in the finishing phases of floors and ceilings and furniture fit outs. He is so, so good! See some photos attached of latest progress.

PRAYER NEEDS

🙏 Every day I am walking the line between faith and wisdom, trying my very best to make the wisest decisions regarding who's to do what on the

build, what expenditure to sign off, etc. Some days the weight of these practical decisions lie very heavy on me. I kindly ask for your prayers.

🙏 At the moment, we have a major financial shortfall because we are still waiting for the final payment from the sale of our ministry property. This has been delayed due to government corruption and other delays. Please pray for immediate release from the city council in Pemba, pray against corruption and further delay.

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PEMBA TRAVEL MARCH 5TH - RESIDENCY IMMIGRATION & RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

Your prayers are greatly requested over this matter as I have to have my DIRE (annual residency) transferred to The Liberty Project - previous to this I was seconded to the Bible School in Pemba to work under them. I now need to move to TLP as the Bible School does not operate in the Nampula Province. Then I need to request a transfer of my residency to the Nampula Province.

This process is very uncertain as they no longer offer residency to missionaries in Mozambique, only work visas which are costly, time intensive, and are only issued for two years. It would require me to leave Mozambique to apply and would also mean I have no authority to own property or lead an organisation without the security of residency. I urgently need intercession over this matter. I have a meeting with a lawyer on Tuesday 6th March.

MY HOUSE IN PEMBA - HANDOVER AND TIDY UP

My lovely little home in Pemba has been under the care of Baptist Missionaries for the last two years. I've just been informed that they have moved to a location closer to the people group they are called to serve. This means our lease contract has ended sooner than expected and I will now need to cover all the costs involved for this property. As this is out of my monthly budget, I need to get this house up to a rentable standard as quickly as possible to create an income to cover these costs.



My plan is to list the home on AirBnB to create an income from short term rentals (\$50 per night) and providing it to missionaries at a discounted rate (\$25 per night). Pemba has a shortage of affordable accommodation for missionaries since the two previous missions guest houses have been sold and discontinued. I am optimistic that if I can finish and furnish the home to a basic level this will sustain itself financially as well as contributing to my monthly financial needs of the ministry.

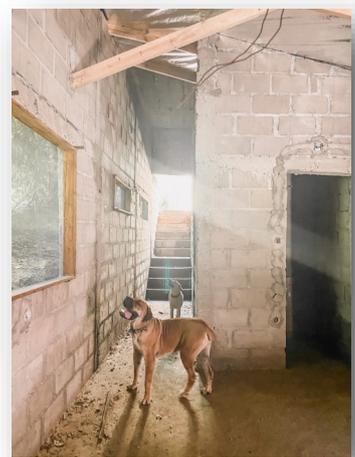
If the Holy Spirit impresses on you to be part of this venture, then any help will be greatly appreciated.

GOOD NEWS!

I am so grateful to everyone who gave so generously towards the four new tyres for the truck! We have now received enough to buy the tyres and they will be fitted to the truck on Monday.

Thankyou for taking the time to read my update and for your prayerful consideration for your part in contributing towards this ministry. As a missionary, I am solely supported by the global Church, individuals like yourself and I am so deeply grateful! Thank you. I must fix my eyes on Jesus and remind myself that it all comes from Him and that He takes care of all our needs - mine and yours. May we be encouraged by this as we partner with Him by bringing the Gospel to those in need.

Many blessings and all my love
Laura



Pastor Michael Ami Chand - Fiji

Pastor Michael Ami Chand has a ministry reaching the poorest of the poor, both believers and unbelievers. Glory Church is affiliated to the AOG in Fiji and meets in the (open air) basement of his home in rural Nadi.

Below are a few of the latest testimonies from Pastor Michael about people that are being helped and blessed through your generosity.

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Dear Pastor, Leaders and all the Members of our New Day Church in Auckland NZ
 Thank you so much for your financial support. Our People are Blessed.
 At the same time we do share to them the Good News of our Lord Jesus and Pray for them
 I really appreciate your support. Thank you so much.
 Love and regards to everyone
Pastor Michael Ami Chand



Pastor Michael Chand

Update from Pastor Michael



In this picture is a 70-year-old man that we have helped.
 He suffers from diabetes and lives with his son and daughter in law but at this moment the son doesn't have a permanent job.
 We have supported them with groceries and medical expenses.
 We told them that this support was from your church - They have expressed their great appreciation with joy in their hearts.

In this Picture is a man we have helped who has had one leg amputated.

He is going through a very hard time in his life when we meet him, so we supported him with food packs and medical treatment.

We told him that this financial support was from your church - He really appreciate it and said Thank you so much.



This picture is of a man who lives by himself.
 We have helped him with financial support to buy food and for his medical treatment as he has heart problems. He was feeling very hot at the time we visited him that is why he was not wearing his shirt.
 We mentioned to him that this support was from your church and he was very grateful.

This is a man who has been working as a carpenter. Seven years ago he fell from a double story building and injured himself.

He lives with his wife and 2 children. He goes around from house to house asking for financial support for his family. His children are going to school now.

We gave him financial support for food, clothing for his children and bus fares. He appreciated the support and said thank you to everyone for their contribution.



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MISSIONS Acts 1:8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere – in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria and to the ends of the earth.”

At New Day Church we take this imperative seriously. 10% of all general financial giving is allocated into a separate Missions sub-account. From this account funds are dispersed to fund various pastoral and outreach activities, both local and overseas.

We support a number of local school families by way of food parcels and direct financial assistance for specific needs such as school fees, etc.

We also support two overseas ministries and our local community.

YES, I WOULD LIKE TO PARTNER WITH OUR OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES



Laura Monahan - The Liberty Project - Building the Liberty Women's Centre



Pastor Michael Ami Chand, Fiji

Donations can be made into account:

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Liberty or **Fiji** to identify who you are supporting.