

Hello Friends, Family, all n every ,

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Contrary to thoughts of some, wondering if Tiyamike and ourselves are alive and... while challenged on many sides, we are living life with joy and celebration in looking towards the unfolding of his plans each day. Sadly too many people have in the last three or so years suffered the struggles of seeing their living standards and that of those they love fall below what was the normal. Understandably non-profit organisations have found serious decreases in donations. Tiyamike has been so blessed with steadfast heart givers for so many years. Shortfalls we suffer are generated thru huge devaluations (44% last Nov 2023 and 22% the year or so before.) of Malawi kwacha causing multiplied increases in food costs, transportation, utilities, wages, school fees and everything families worldwide need.

In some ways Pam and I are blessed as the fact we have spent 2 plus decades in Malawi has brought many of the “cant do withouts” to a “don’t much matter” place in our lives. We are blessed (no other word applicable) with our pensions and so thankful for friends who have with such grace and love gifted funds (not Tiyamike funds) that allow us to continue with the many facets of fighting cancer.

We have been re-awakened to “The Miracle of Tiyamike” in the last few months. We realised the challenges and shortfalls in income had a large part in bringing us and our staff to a survivor mentality. We have so much appreciation for Mike, General Manager/Accts and Bello, Operations Manager who we rely on greatly and have with appreciation watched as they have matured into the main management core along with several ladies (Dinna book keeping/payroll, Eliza Madi ladies supervisor, Mary M. our Kitchen supervisor) as advisors. Pastor Haji is also an advisor. Pam and I have been as support for several years, with myself (Will) carrying the ball for herding the funds received thru the process of exchange, banking and eventual deposit to an accessible account in the valley where Tiyamike is situated. We are prayerfully hopeful that there may be “missions” oriented fellowships that will be Holy Spirit encouraged to become part of the amazing happening in Malawi. We are also in expectation of coming into relationship with a person willing, knowledgeable and especially drawn by Holy Spirit to look after the Tiyamike web site. I have for months been sporadically attempting to pull the cobwebs off Tiyamike.com unsuccessfully.

We have for some time been aware that the load we carry is not sustainable in terms of doing all that is needed to be done as well as it could be. Our goal is to bring Tiyamike back to the higher standards enjoyed, prior to the covid debacle and the cancer battle we continue with. We extend an invitation to those who may have a nudge towards a potential relationship with us, that may lead to carrying part of the load and listening well as to joining into the plans already made for us all. There are 70 plus children and not a few young adults with potential for life changes that will affect their grandchildren ... or not.

with much love and appreciation for prayers and however you have a nudge to partake with/in Tiyamike. Will n Pam