

Welcome to E-Sponsoring

Miqlat goes HI-TECH!

The Orphan Care Project is now fully established with an online presence. By going to www.miqlat.com, you will see all the information you need to find out how to be a part of this ministry. **YOU CAN NOW ADOPT A CHILD ONLINE!** Each child, complete with bio and picture, is there for you to introduce to anyone you know for adoption.

If you have any questions you can email the OCP at orphancare@miqlat.com



Nine of the 27 girls who went on retreat!

...AND ICE CREAM TOO!

Two of our Miqlat Board members who are currently in Malawi are Charlie and Laurette. Charlie has been on the ground since January diligently working through all sorts of administrative details and establishing new procedures for everything from supervising the staff to purchasing goat meat for our orphan children. Laurette arrived in early spring and continues to bless the youngsters with her skills in discipleship and teaching. Both these missionaries have incredible hearts for the children and for our Lord Jesus. Because of their tender and obedient hearts, they arranged for 3 separate groups of about 9 of the teen-age girls to have a weekend retreat in town. The purpose was to have some time to encourage them in their faith, to pray over them, raise them up in God's love, develop leadership skills, and to expose them to the wide range of experiences that are available to them educationally and professionally as a result of being a much loved and sponsored child. Here are a few reflections from Laurette:

"Let me tell you a couple of funny snippets. First of all, you must remember that these girls have never experienced having electricity or running water, so even our very humble accommodations here at Chichiri Lodge have dazzled them. In their village settings, part of their daily routine involves fetching buckets of water from the borehole (pump) near the Hope Center. Imagine their complete delight when they simply turned a little handle and water came out! When we told them that hot water would come out by turning the other handle, they were simply amazed. It was such a joy to watch them adjust to conveniences we take for granted.

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***When you are done
with the newsletter,
pass it along. We
now have 50
identified Lambs
that need support.
Zikomo!***



After we had totally overloaded the girls with the delights of running water, we took them to the local mid-sized grocery store to shop for the items we would cook on the next day. Their eyes were stretched as wide as you can imagine as they gazed upon all the items available for sale. They simply loved the excursion and took great delight in pushing around the shopping cart. What kind of crazy person thought of putting meat inside of cellophane-wrapped packages?

After completing their shopping, we took them to an outdoor restaurant and ordered pizza. We must have heard them practicing the word “pizza” a hundred times. They had mixed reviews of the pizza but all agreed it was “nice.” The greatest delight of the experience was when Papa Charlie treated us all to an ice cream cone. The expressions on their faces were priceless when they tasted ice cream for the first time. When we explained that the cone was like a cookie, and they could eat it too, there were whoops of delight. One girl ate her cone in two bites. There were big sticky smiles all around!”

Although all of these “city” experiences were a thrill, the biggest delight for our two missionaries was being able to share Christ’s love and the Father’s heart for each of the young ladies. After being presented with personal Bibles, the girls returned to their villages with renewed faith, hope for their individual futures, and an assurance that God’s love is unconditional and His promises are sure. Ice cream will always come in second place! At the close of one of her emails, Laurette shares: “My Scripture verse for this morning was 2Corinthians 4:7 ‘We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us.’” How we thank God for all that He is doing through each of you “earthen vessels” to further His Kingdom plans for His children.

The local chiefs and pastors have identified an additional 50 children for sponsorship. Perhaps you can impact the life of one of these children by helping us get the word out that there are more vulnerable children who are in need of our love and assistance. Use the website to share with others and get these kids adopted.

