

CENTRAL AFRICA MEDICAL MISSION February 2022



Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

My name is Violet Chikwatu, a member of The Lutheran Church of Central Africa, Crown of Life Congregation. I am a daughter to Pastor Chikwatu who once served the Lutheran Church of Central Africa and is now retired. I was born in one of the villages in Zomba district which is one of the districts in southern Malawi. Being a pastor's daughter, my family and I had the opportunity to move to new places of which one of them is Lilongwe, where I have grown up.

While in Lilongwe, I had an opportunity of doing both my primary and secondary school education. I sat for my National Board exams in 2012 and got good grades. I was accepted to do further studies at Daeyang College of Nursing, which is one of the best Nursing schools in Malawi. I applied for the Althea Sauer scholarship and was accepted. The scholarship covered my tuition and expenses while in school. I thank God for such an opportunity.

I graduated in 2017 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing and Midwifery. In 2018, I fulfilled one of my long-time goals, which was working with the Lutheran Mobile Clinic. As I write now, I am currently working as a Nurse Midwife and am training to become the Nurse in Charge when Beth Evans leaves Malawi in June 2022.

For the time that I have worked with the Clinic, I have learned a lot from both my work mates and the people that I serve. I have learned that the people we serve do not only need physical support but also psychological and spiritual support. The morning devotions we hold every morning before clinic have brought God's saving Word into people's lives which gives hope when their lives are difficult. For instance, the mothers of disabled kids that we have at one of our clinics struggle because of negative comments they receive from different people from their villages, concerning the lives of their kids. When we approach such mothers and tell them how Christ has loved us and that everyone was created in his image, we bring hope to them. Not only that, these mothers and kids also feel so much loved as they receive some transport money that helps them get the physiotherapy which they would otherwise not be able to afford. Seeing their children improve and knowing God's love and forgiveness brings so much joy into their lives.

Lastly, I would like to thank God for everything that he is doing for us all and our clinics both here in Malawi and Zambia. It is my prayer that He continues giving us enough rains for the growth of maize and other crops that we rely on. A big thank you to all our donors and everyone who wishes us well. We are so very thankful for your support and prayers, and I pray that God continues blessing you and everyone around you.

Thank you,

Violet Chikwatu Nurse In Charge in training

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