

AGAPE EVANGELICAL MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

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By P.J. Mithen - "A Plentiful Harvest"







Partnering with Agape Evangelical

- 1. Child Sponsorship. For just \$40.00 a month or a one-time gift, you can provide Leeman Gama, Hazel Gama who are siblings in Malawi or NamirembeGift Promise in Uganda with nutritious food, clothing, and education, shelter and keep them in a loving Christian community "...giving them a hope and future" (Jeremiah 29:11).
- 2. **Agape Mission Trip October 7-18, 2025.** This year we will be leaving on 7 October and traveling to Mzuzu, Malawi SE Africa. Where we have several things planned to help our church partners in this region. There is still time to join us! Please email us at *ministries@agapeevangelical.com* for more information.
- 3. **Bible Study Mark Your Calendars! On September 8th**, will begin our second Agape Bible Study on the Gospel of John. We are meeting on Monday evenings, on Zoom. If you may be interested in joining us or want more information *please call 214-470-0985*, or email us at: jpmithen@amail.com or ministries@agapeevangelical.com.
- 4. If you would like to make a donation, please use our QR code, or can go to PayPal or mail at check to:

apapeevangelical.com, or mail your check



Mission Trip Dates October 7 - 18, 2025

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Destination

Mzuzu, Malawi Evangelical Medical Mission & Orphan Care

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Upcoming Missions 2026

Uganda

Biblical Training & Orphan Care - Kampala, Uganda, SE Africa

Kenya

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Tanzania

Invitiation - Dar Fs Salaam

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Luke 10:2 ESV)

During the Biden administration, an estimated 11 million illegal aliens made their way into the United States of America (USA) crossing through our southern border states of southern California, Arizona and Texas. As a Texan, who has grown up in Texas and spent the majority of my life here in the Lone Star State, we now have the largest number of illegal aliens among us an estimated forty-five percent. The mass migration occurred primarily from Mexico, Latin and South American countries that brought conflicts, concerns, and challenges even among Christians, while also unprecedented opportunities and a potential harvest.

This summer, the Lord provided medical work in and underserved area of Austin, Texas for the summer, working in urgent care & family practice medicine. The timing was impeccable; before returning to Malawi, SE Africa this October. Most of my patients are Latino, Spanish speaking only, who have resided in Texas for 3 to 5 years. Working at a walk-in clinic I see a variety of different ethnicity, health concerns and medical conditions. Learning some medical Spanish became a must and is still growing! The large volume of people on any given day I work, can be physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually challenging. Daily prayer and quiet time alone with God is essential to my wellbeing. Without it, I develop compassion fatigue.

Compassion and mercy are closely linked. The root word for "mercy," in Hebrew is rachamim (cnn). The word is derived from the root word "rachem (cnn)" meaning "womb." In Hebrew, mercy is described as a deep, protective and nurturing love, similar to a pregnant mother's love for her unborn child she is carrying. I believe mother's have a deeper understanding of this word simply by God's creative design, and the nurture and love we have for children. The Hebrew word for "mercy" is not found in the New Testament, however, there is a Greek word "splagchnizstomai" (σπλαγχνίζομαι) that is closely related to it that means "moved to compassion." Jesus was repeatedly "moved to compassion," during his earthly ministry (see Synoptic Gospel accounts Mt 9:36, 14:14, 15:32, 18:27, 20:34, Mark 1:41, 6:34, 8:2, 9:22 and Luke 7:13, 10:33 and 15:20 ESV).

In one account, Jesus heals a man with a "withered" hand while "entering a synagogue and teaching" on the Sabbath (Luke 6:6-11, Matthew 12:9-14, Mark 3:1-6). It is here that Jesus' confronts their rigid legalism, reveals their lack of compassion or mercy for their own people, His own authority as "Lord over the Sabbath," and provides a teaching lesson to those around him by healing the man's "withered" hand that brought freedom and wholeness as a "sign of God's kingdom." Jesus' own disciples would not comprehend the kind of mercy and compassion Jesus taught and revealed to them until he had physically departed and had sent the promised Holy Ghost.

Why is mercy or compassion so important to Christ? Jesus said, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice" (Mt 9:13, 12:7).? Because ministering with compassion to unbelievers and believers alike, unlocks the human heart, breaks down barriers, turns hearts of stone into flesh, and produces fertile soil needed for the Word of God to be planted or for it to grow. Without the regenerating power of the Holy Ghost in the believer's life there is no real faith, no real power, no fruit and and no life in Jesus Christ, in God the Father "apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).

As the Lord fulfills his purposes, and deepens my own love and compassion for Himself and others, please pray for us, our families and team and Agape Evangelical Ministries International. I covet your prayers. May God bless each of you no matter where you are, or whom the Lord has called you to serve for his Kingdom's glory as we each "put on...as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness and patience, bearing with one another, forgiving one another and most of all putting on love that binds everyone together in perfect harmony" (Col. 3:12-14). You are loved!

Praise God for -

- 1) Our new website developer and board of director's member. He is African with a love and heart for the African people, and is gifted technologically. He has agreed to help renovate, update and make Agape Evangelical Ministristries Intrl (AEMI, Inc) more competitive in reaching a larger audience.
- 2) Affordable airline tickets, lodging and transportation for our mission trip to Malawi, SE Africa from October 7 18th.
- 3) Our team member(s) that God has brought to us who are excited about going to Malawi SE Africa with AEMI, Inc.
- 4) Prayer and Giving partners who are faithful in supporting the work of AEMI, Inc.

Please Pray For -

- 1) God's protection over our team members, their families, and details that still need to be worked out before October.
- 2) Orphan sponsors! We are praying for 50 orphan sponsors for AEMI, Inc that have *no safety net* and are being protected by our church partners, who have sought our help by praying and financially supporting an orphan or vulnerable child.
- 3) Our Bible study that will restart on 8 September 2025. This year we will be studying the Gospel of John.
- 4) Wisdom in scheduling shorter mission trips so others can join us, the financial support we will need to provide quality training materials for 3 to 5 day Bible teaching seminars in countries where we have church partners or an invitation to come.