



A New Movement Launches in Malawi

December 12, 2015 was the official launch of Malawi Without Orphans. It was such a great joy to see government officials, national leaders of networks, NGOs, and churches in Malawi coming together to connect and develop strategies on how to roll out a five year plan for Malawi Without Orphans.

Highlights from Malawi Without Orphans Launch:

- 1) Government officers at the MAWO Launch expressed that for a long time they have been waiting or expecting the Church to lead the way in best practices for helping children at risk. They are appreciative of the MAWO and WWO movement and enthusiastically welcome the family care approach.
- 2) Churches: The Evangelical Fellowship of Malawi and the National Office for Pastors Fellowship greatly appreciated the formation of MAWO to facilitate orphans being placed into families. A majority of the attendees confessed that they have had a paradigm shift in the way they view orphans. In 2016 Orphans Sunday will be celebrated across the country of Malawi!
- 3) Networks and NGOS previously felt that they were stuck or uncertain how to bring lasting life change to the orphans. They were able to hear many stories of local adoptions and orphanages being emptied as the children were placed in healthy family settings. They left the collaborative meetings in Malawi with direction, more clarity, excitement, and with a pledge to meet internally within their prospective organization to refocus efforts to see Malawi Without Orphans a reality.