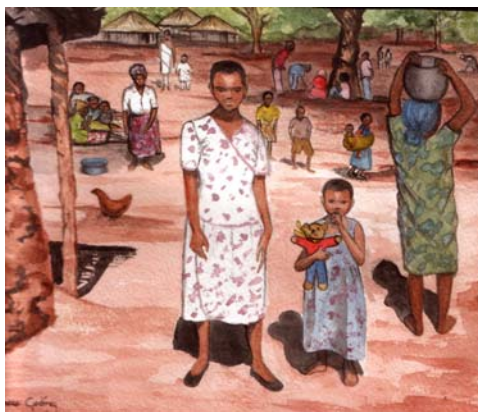


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On the left, a painting of a Malawian village scene by Frances Godfrey.

"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these"  
Matthew 19: 14

Dear friends, we are sorry you've had to wait for this Newsletter for so long. Kirsi Poole, who is the editor of the ARO Newsletter has been convalescing after her operation in June. Thank you for your cards and prayers!

Two Scottish volunteers, Dympna and Mark, are going to Malawi in early August with Peter, and Charles McGill is going to join them a week later. Already in Malawi is Paul Johnson, so the team is a good size for all kinds of work there. The Malawian workers will each receive an ARO t-shirt, a kind donation from Enterkin T-shirt Co, Dumfries.

A letter from Muona Boarding School:

" This is a letter from Gladys Mercy, Elluby and Bertha so we can tell you how we are at boarding school. We received some clothes, shoes, a suitcase and school materials when Charlie came to see us when we all passed our exams.

Mercy was first in her class and Gladys was number 7, Elluby was passed n:o 35 and Bertha n:o 45. This is out of 105 pupils.

Mercy is the captain of a netball team.

Bertha is asking Jesus to help her to speak English. Elluby is doing her best but wants to improve each term. Gladys is the one writing this letter and I want to improve at school each day.

We all love you and thank you for sending us to a boarding school.

Mercy,  
Bertha,  
Gladys,  
Elluby. "

The Coffee Morning in Dalry in May for raising money for medicines for the orphans raised an incredible amount of £981 ! Thank you all who gave their time and effort for this well organised event.

The Ladies at St Matthews in Kilmarnock raised again money for ARO: Coffee event after the church raised £550 for the orphans' recreational activities, sports and games, thank you!

Some big companies have sent surprise cheques for Abbas Rest Orphans. It is amazing how the finances come in.

In the midst of all this positive news there has been really sad news coming from Malawi. Rebekka Malaulo who was just under 2 yrs old died of malaria-induced diarrhoea in May. In June another toddler, Truth Likandawe from Muona, died of tuberculosis at the age of just under 3 years.

This just brings home how fragile a child's life is in Malawi. These children were well cared for and received medical care. So many don't even have a chance. The work of the ARO nurse Rose there with the ARO orphans is invaluable. And she couldn't do her work without your fundraising and support to the orphans. So we all really are a big team 'behind the scene'.