



ORBUS MINISTRIES AUSTRALIA Inc.  
Newsletter – December 2021



The 1<sup>st</sup> class to start at Orbus. The 1<sup>st</sup> Orbus Kindy (Nursery) class 2010.



Graduating Class of 2021. The 1<sup>st</sup> class to graduate from the CCAP Orbus Mission Secondary School.

*“God thunders wondrously with His voice; He does great things we cannot comprehend. God’s voice thunders in marvellous ways; he does great things beyond our understanding. God’s voice is glorious in the thunder. We can’t even imagine the greatness of his power”. (Job 37:5)*

That you may know this satisfaction and contentment:

“He who is a believer in Jesus finds enough in his Lord to satisfy him now, and to content him for evermore. There is such fullness in Christ that He alone is the believers all. The true believer is so completely satisfied with the all-sufficiency of Jesus that he thirsts no more-except for deeper draughts of the living fountain. Come continually to the fountain and take of the water of life freely”. (Charles H. Spurgeon)

### Orbus News Update – December 2021:

The big news of 2021 was the first students successfully graduating from the *CCAP Orbus Mission Secondary School*. The first student intake at the secondary school, many of whom enrolled in September 2017, have become the first cohort to have advanced through Forms 1 to 4 and achieve graduation this year. We praise God for them and ask His blessing upon their future.

The Orbus secondary and primary schools continue to perform well academically, with especially good results achieved in Form 2, where all students passed their national exams, and 90% of students in Standard 8 passed their Junior Certificate exams.

Future needs and goals. Areas to still develop include:

- *Buildings*: More buildings for classrooms, boarding accommodation and teacher’s accommodation, a dining hall and kitchen.
- *School facilities/resources*: A better science laboratory, a computer room, library, more desks and furniture, an outdoor basketball/netball court and more school resources.
- *Trades Centre*: The longer-term dream has always been to establish a trade skills development centre at Orbus.
- *Chapel/Hall*: Rev. Owen Chiwere reports that there are now 86 congregants at Orbus and that they are finding it increasingly difficult to meet in a classroom. He has suggested it is time to build a chapel.

*“In you, Lord, I have taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame;  
deliver me in your righteousness.  
Turn your ear to me,  
come quickly to my rescue;  
be my rock of refuge,  
a strong fortress to save me.  
Since you are my rock and my fortress,  
for the sake of your name lead and guide me”.* (Psalm 31:3)

Flashback to 2010:



**Orbus Nursery School for OVC:**

The Orbus Nursery School for OVC began classes on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010. By the end of the second week there were 120 children aged between 2 and 4 registered and attending classes. The program for the classes consists of prayer, Bible stories, fun activities, singing Hymns, playtime and a fortified porridge. Many ladies from the community are volunteering to assist. Read a report on the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the nursery school: [Report in PDF](#).



The above Flashback is from the [Orbus Newsletter from November 2010](#) which highlights activity at Orbus from May to October 2010.

**Prayer:**

- That future goals will be met, especially the need for new buildings, desks, and school resources.
- For the 38 teachers and staff at Orbus, and their families.
- For PresAID raising funds for a new classroom building.
- For the future development of a trade skills development centre.
- For the development of an outdoor basketball/netball court.
- For God's blessing on the first graduates from the secondary school. May they know and follow Christ.
- For the CCAP Orbus church congregation which meets at the school every Sunday.
- For the provision of the orphans and vulnerable children's (OVC) spiritual and material needs.
- For the poor, OVC, elderly, and sick throughout Malawi.
- For the smooth operation of the Orbus schools.
- For the leadership of the Orbus schools, the CCAP Blantyre Synod, and for Orbus Australia.
- Continue to pray for Malawi in general during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In Jesus Name,

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*"Lord, listen! Lord, forgive! Lord, hear and act! For your sake, my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name". (Daniel 9:19)*



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