



Dear Friends

As Christmas is upon us, we all now have the opportunity to reflect on the incredible work being done by Lucy, Tony and their team of dedicated workers and volunteers. All of the achievements and generous acts of this year are too numerous to be given due thanks in this newsletter, but I have done my best to squeeze as many of them in as possible!

Latest news....

A great deal has happened since our last newsletter. On 16 November a memorial service was held in memory of the 197 Ndi Moyo patients who have passed away since the Centre's opening. It was a time for family representatives, current patients and Ndi Moyo staff to reflect during an extremely moving occasion conducted by Bill Murdoch.



The Centre now has four outreach centres enabling patients who are suffering to be given the treatment and the comfort they need, without having to travel many hours (up to 30 miles from Salima).

The outreach programme is operating at Lifeline, Thavite, Malawi Army College (MAFCO) and the Baptist Medical Centre. Four more should be up and running by June 2011. Ndi Moyo has trained over 70 health professionals (mainly from Salima District). Government commitment to palliative care at its health centres still requires much encouragement.



Approximately 300 patients with their families benefit from the palliative care services NdiMoyo provides. It intends to reach out to the 1000 or so vulnerable children of its patients in 2011.

NdiMoyo had many talented volunteers recently: Anne-Louise Kelly came in October for three months as an interim volunteer Operations Director. Her energy and commitment to NdiMoyo's cause was awesome. Dr Aleco Alexiadis, came from Canada as a highly qualified palliative care specialist and gave a truly outstanding 3 weeks

of voluntary service to NdiMoyo and left us with lots of medicines, a laptop and much else. Ben Tullis and Dr Nerys Lewis are now at NdiMoyo for 6 months - Ben is an IT specialist making much-needed improvements to the network while Dr Nerys and Dr Helen Cox (who volunteered for 2 weeks in September) have both provided invaluable medical support to NdiMoyo.

Seeking your help...

As our volunteer, Anne Louise stated in a recent communication: *'Lucy and Tony face a different challenge every day. Lack of morphine, lack of care and poverty all conspire against them on a daily level'*. We are therefore constantly striving to support Ndi Moyo's valuable work.

As always, we continue to look to our committed band of supporters to enable us to achieve this. The fundraising initiatives this year have made an enormous difference. However, in order to be able to plan for the future life of Ndi Moyo, we are once again calling for your help in seeking regular contributions, no matter how seemingly small the amount!

We have created a 'wishlist' of items (from £0.38 to £4000!) that would be of tremendous value to the Centre in Salima. If you're interested in finding out more / providing funds for such items please email enquiries@ndimoyo.org

If you need help with any other fundraising initiative or further information about how to donate, email enquiries@ndimoyo.org or visit www.ndimoyo.org

Our thanks

Lucy wrote yesterday: *'special thanks from the Team in Salima to all the Friends of Ndi Moyo for keeping faith in us and for the continued support in these difficult times. We appreciate your sacrifice and we are grateful beyond words. For those who pray please remember us for we are in great need of prayers'*.

A very big thank you to...

- **Star Lizard** - for awarding Ndi Moyo with £10,000 dedicated to the support of vulnerable children. Based on a donation by Mr Bloom.
- **Veema Mamtora**— a Malawi based volunteer who raised over £1,000 for medicines, ambulance tyres, mattresses and helped print our latest leaflet.



- **Tessa Finch** for organising a harp concert in September in Winchcombe, which raised just under £1,000. The evening was such a success that guests asked at the end of the concert when the next such event would be!
- **Dr Valerie Donnelly** who so generously donated her pickup to NdiMoyo, plus more medicines and euros in November.
- **Tom Balzer** for a highly professional video clip to raise the profile of NdiMoyo.
- **To the people of Moneyneena, Draperstown**, who braved the snow and gathered for a Variety Concert in aid of Ndi Moyo in November. Special thanks go to Breige and Micky Lawless (pictured with trustee Maureen Morgan) who organised the evening and made it such a success. An incredible £4,835 was raised.



THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT.

From Lucy, Tony and her team and all the UK and Ireland Trustees, we wish you a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year. Xxx