

# Friends of Ndi Moyo (FONM) Newsletter – October 2005

It has been a very busy few months for FONM...

## CHARITABLE STATUS

One of the most exciting developments is that, after months of form-filling and red tape (well done Andrew and Hass!), Ndi Moyo has been granted charitable status by the Charities Commission (Registration Number 1111045). The Trustees are Lisa Finch, Andrew Holden, Maureen Morgan, Danielle Olsen and Hassan Pillai.



## MANY, MANY THANKS

Thank-you to all Ndi Moyo supporters! With your help, our monthly contributions and pledges now total £228, all of which goes a long, long way in Malawi.

Special thanks to:

- Hass Pillai who raised £116 at a car boot sale and intends to have another sale soon.
- The Morgan clan who, by helping to organise a concert, raised £700.
- Mrs Dahan who has made a substantial personal donation.
- Mike Finch who, by helping to organise the Toddington Beer and Music Festival, raised £1000.
- Michelle McGannan who gave a talk about Lucy's work at her church in Portsmouth and raised £3000 which will go towards food costs.
- Dr Stephen Higgins, a specialist in palliative care, who has donated more than 2000 euros.



## POTENTIAL PREMISES FOR A CLINIC

All this wonderful support has made it possible for Lucy to look into purchasing two buildings (a former bank and an adjoining building) to serve as a clinic. Lucy has begun to discuss renovation plans with an architect and hopes that the clinic will consist of a consultation room, a counselling room, a daycare room, a dispensary and an administrative room. At a later date, a kitchen and food storage area will be added. Having a clinic will make a world of difference to the kind of services Lucy is able to provide.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Salima area has just one doctor to about 300,000 people. He is also the District Health Officer and the only doctor for the 178 bed government hospital.

## OTHER NEWS

- John (who you met in the last newsletter) has gone from 19kg to 22kg. Progress, although slow, is being made! With your help, Lucy is able to provide him with the money to buy pawpaws (which he loves), eggs and rolls.
- the Trustees of Hospice Africa UK will visit Lucy this month.
- in early October, Lucy will be meeting the Trustees of the Nick Webber Trust (an organisation which was set up after the tragic death of Nick Webber, a young lawyer, in a car crash). Nick's mother, a teacher and counsellor, would like to fund the creation of a children's area within the Ndi Moyo clinic.

