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Dear Friends,

The Moderator's Challenge – Let Your Little Light Shine

Please find below a link to a resource which has been developed following my visit to Malawi in August this year:

https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/ data/assets/pdf file/0019/128215/FAPLT-Let-Your-Little-Light-Shine-RESOURCE-V10.pdf

On that visit I was able to see so much of the wonderful work carried out by our partners, the Church of Central Africa (CCAP), throughout the country. One thing which stood out for me was the hunger for education at all levels. The Church has a range of educational institutions and are providing such valuable learning for their students. This has made me keen to support one small part of this ambition to help build the people of God in Malawi.

I am commending to you the resource above, which you can find out more about on the Church of Scotland website: https://churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/articles/moderators-challenge-to-light-up-learning-in-malawi - it gives you the opportunity to join me in supporting the provision of solar power, through light libraries in CCAP Primary Schools and solar panels for the new PhD centre at Zomba Theological University.

My challenge to you is to help me to provide that much needed light to allow study in the hours of darkness in Malawi. I wonder how many light libraries we can achieve? A solar light costs just £10.

As well as direct transfer and cheques for any donations we have a donate button on the webpage: https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/connect/moderators-challenge and also a QR code on the resource. This has all gone live today, and will continue accepting donations until the beginning of May 2025. So although this might fit well during Advent, there will still be an opportunity for you to participate throughout the first part of 2025. The Church of Scotland website will also have a downloadable PowerPoint presentation, poster and some art work within the next week.

With many thanks and every blessing,

Rt Rev Dr Shaw J Paterson Moderator of the General Assembly

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