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## Brick by Brick Malawi newsletter summer 2014 – almost there!

The last time we wrote, we were in the process of making the foundation for the class 3 and 4 building. This building is now nearing completion. As we speak the masons are plastering the inside walls. They will then put glass in the windows and make the blackboards. (The blackboards are simply a rectangle of wood within which you apply blackboard paint.) In the meantime the carpenter is working on the school desks. The building is 11 by 7 meters.



***Class 3 and 4 building under construction***

We should mention that we now have a government sponsored teacher for class 1 and 2. This has an added benefit financially: since there was no one living in the teachers' house we had to temporarily hire a night watchman for the school. The teacher will now be able to provide that security. We didn't really mind employing the night watchman: Orison is a dignified octogenarian who has recently re-married. He now has his hands full as his new wife had a baby girl this spring!



***Pupils, Class 1 and 2 building***

There will be a partition in the middle separating the two classes. Each class will have room for 24 pupils. We expect everything to be finished in time for the autumn term.

Two teachers have visited Wedson, the chief in the village, and indicated that they are interested in working at the school. This might seem surprising to us given the remote location, but jobs are hard to find. An additional attraction in recruiting is the teachers' house which we built last year where they can live.



***Teachers' living quarters with outdoor kitchen***



Our status very shortly will be 3 completed buildings. The workers have started digging the foundation for building 4. This will be a structure with dimensions 11 by 7 meters, and will be used for classes 5 and 6.

When this last building is completed we will regard the school as finished.

It will have a capacity for 144 pupils in classes 1 through 6.

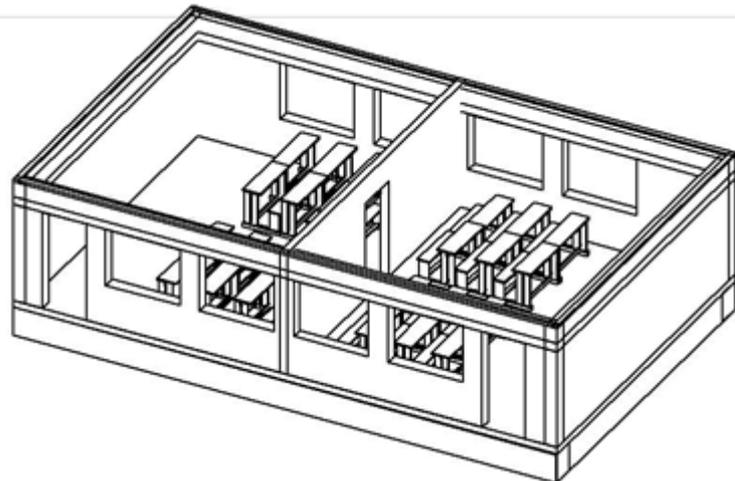


*Unloading the truck from Mzuzu*

We will continue to garner support for the final push - our goal is to complete the last building in 2015.

Thank you for all your generous support.

Greetings from Bob, Bruce and Karin



*Building plans for classes 5 and 6*

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