



**Zikomo kwambiri**  
(Thank you very much)



**for the gift of mobility**



Two FOSCIM Mzungu Imposters with The Workshop Team.

October 2018

Workshop manager, Wilson Nanungu explaining to visiting Luton Sixth Form College Students how the workshop operates.

Summer 2018



**\*9 more wheelchair cases\***



**Isaac is 11 years old**  
Sakhome, Nkhumba,  
Phalombe  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary to**  
**Cerebral Malaria at 1 week old**



**Letisha is 8 years old**  
Dzanyama, Ntchema,  
Chiladzulu  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary**  
**to premature birth**



**Pemphero is 4 years old**  
Chitando, Ntchema,  
Chiladzulu  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary**  
**to delayed birth**



**Rebecca is 6 years old**  
Namphu Chabuka, Kaduya  
Phalombe  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary**  
**to delayed birth**



**Shyreen is 11 years old**  
Namilaumbu, Chanthunya  
Balaka  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary**  
**to Birth Asphyxia**



**Francis is 11 years old**  
Thendo, Ngabu  
Chikhwawa  
**Cerebral Palsy**  
**source unknown**



**Joyce is 9 years old**  
Ligomba, Mthiramanja,  
Thyolo  
**Cerebral Palsy secondary  
to Cerebral Malaria**



**Brian is 7 years old**  
Chinganira, Ntchema,  
Chiladzulu  
**Cerebral Palsy  
source unknown**



**Yamikani is 11 years old**  
Chilinkha, Ngabu,  
Chikhwawa  
**Cerebral Palsy  
source unknown**

## **Family responses**

**Surprised, overwhelmed, tearful, but very, very grateful ..... all of the families had similar reactions when told that their children would be assessed, fitted and supplied with a wheelchair funded through the generosity of Kitchen Table Charities Trust.**

## **IMMOBILITY in MALAWI**

**If life for the average, 'healthy' Malawian child is poor then life for those with severe mobility problems can be dire.**

**The consequences for the child and its family can be many and debilitating.**

**The Government of Malawi does not provide mobility aids.**

**Even if they could find them, most families would not be able to afford a mobility aid for their child.**

**Without a mobility aid the child cannot go to school and will have a very limited social life.**

**If the child cannot go to school, in most cases this restricts both parents from working therefore impacting the family income needed just to survive.**

**Without a mobility aid, like a wheelchair, parents and guardians carry the child on their backs. As the child grows the weight causes back problems for the adults....and so the above negative cycle continues.**

**The prosthetics workshop at the Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre, Malawi has been developed to make wheelchairs, home static chairs and orthoses each to meet the specific needs of those children fortunate enough to receive charitable funds to meet the cost.**