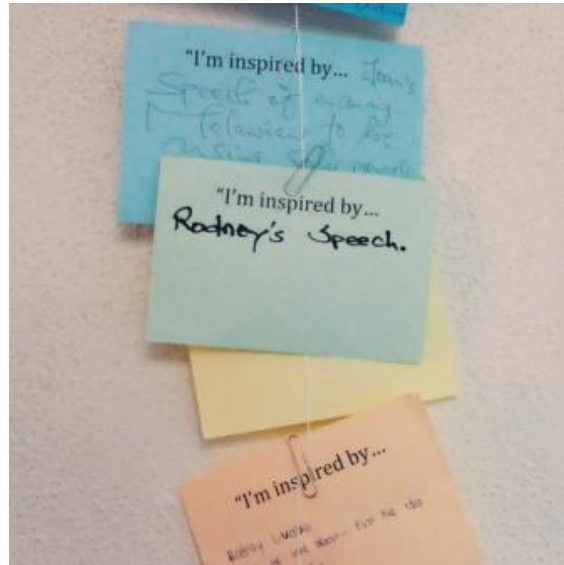


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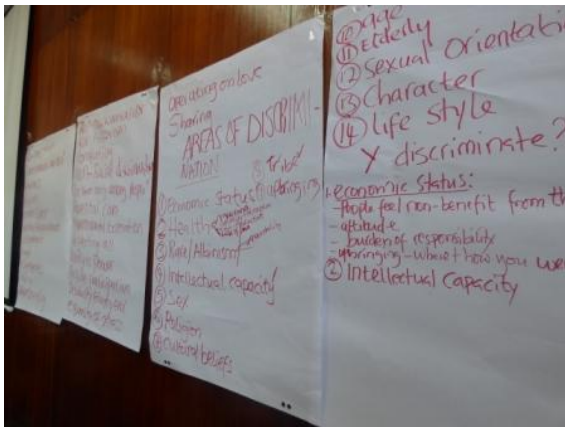
Former Dreamer and current mentor for the Students with Dreams Programme, Madalo Banda (*centre*) is currently in the United Kingdom. She is a recipient of the Queen's Young Leaders Award



TEDxLilongwe: We were excited to be part of TEDx Lilongwe this year. Not only were we taking a lead in live-streaming the whole show in Zomba, but we were also very proud to have our programme officer for SWD, Rodney Likaku as a speaker. His talk was on the language of poverty and how youth leadership is a critical component to development. TEDxLilongwe was streamed around the country and we were thrilled to be part of this national event sharing and celebrating innovative ideas in Malawi.



Students With Dreams - 37 inspirational project leaders , 6 mentors and 6 staff spent a weekend of camping, brainstorming, sharing, music, motivation and getting to know each other in the secluded mountains of Zomba. As per Students with Dreams model, after all the dreamers have been selected we gather everyone from all the different schools to spend time to get to know each other better. This includes a thorough explanation of the programme, participatory workshops helping dreamers develop their project ideas and insane amounts of FUN!



Martin Luther said “I cannot become the best I can be unless you become the best you can be” Those were the sentiments echoed by the student leaders who participated in the Umunthu Workshop for Higher Education at Hotel Masongola. Student Leaders from Chancellor College participated in a workshop in which they had various activities designed to elicit empathy and reflection on marginalisation, discrimination and our shared humanity. This was followed by a similar workshop at The Polytechnic in Blantyre City. Here the participants spoke passionately against any forms of discrimination and emphasised strongly against discrimination against LGBTI people.

"Where there is no umunthu, people's actions are informed by the question: "what's in it for me as opposed to what's in it for us"
 -Participant ' The Polytechnic'



Catching up with friends: “When the play happened at our community primary school it made the issue

of health and sanitation more important for me. In the play someone got sick because he didn't wash his hands after using the toilet. He blamed his sister for his sickness, that she had gone to a witchdoctor to curse him. He didn't know that it's an unhealthy practice to eat or move about with unwashed hands after using the toilet. My friends and I related so much to this story, because it happens and not everything is a curse but we have to learn healthy practices to avoid sicknesses. After the drama people left, I demolished my straw toilet and constructed one of bricks and hung a bucket of water on a tree for us to wash our hands. Now we are healthier and can't spread diseases as we did before". – Community member from Mwananjovu

Our partnership with World Food Programme (WFP) on the Social Behavioural Change Communication (SBCC) project continues to steadily progress. Monitoring and Evaluation is now in full swing as the team returned to Chikwawa, a place where a few months before we had carried out our Theatre for Development (TFD) intervention as a tool to change community food , water, sanitation and hygiene habits.

"Caught our eye on the web..."

Here's What Some Black LGBTQ People Are Doing to Survive in the age of HIV

: <http://bit.ly/1TXq1Pe>

Malawian women from the LGBTI community have told their stories in a published book here

:<http://bit.ly/1tepHjB>

We are always celebrating people and achievements, here is Heather Phiri -Woodwards, Malawian under 35 making business waves globally <http://bit.ly/1TXr15Q> &

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