The Covid-19 Current Situation in Malawi

Di 24.03.2020 13:39

Mails from Bishop J P Bvumbwe & Mabel Madinga, General Secretary, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malawi

and Dickens Mtonga, ELDS Director

Officially up to now no one has been said to have tested positive to the virus but we have a number of suspects being quarantined at our airports and borders. The threat is quite real and we are not sure as a Country if we are ready for the virus yet.

We as a Malawian Society live our daily lives, we are very community based, very hospitable and welcoming. Our boarders are still open and we hear of some people from the affected countries still able to enter our borders which makes our country still very vulnerable to the virus.

On Monday, Government has ordered schools and colleges to close and any gathering not to exceed 100, these include worship Service. However, it would be very hard to implement these measures including social distancing in our towns and villages.

Already we are discussing how services and worship can take place in case of ban imposed by Government. At the moment we do not know how to respond, but only pray and hope that the Lord our God will provide the way at this difficult time.

Our health system leaves a lot to be desired. Most of the supplies required have run out of stock in pharmacies and shops like chlorine and hand sanitizers.

But actually, at the moment, we are more worried about you, our brothers and sisters in Germany.

We are praying like never before while trying to follow the preventive measures.

We need to keep close in prayers and keep encouraging one another. We are and must continue to be in solidarity with each other. Kindly please convey our best wishes for a quick end to this global pandemic.