



Press Statement

NEW APOSTOLIC CHURCH THROUGH ITS NGO, NACRO PROVIDES HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AID TO VICTIMS OF TROPICAL CYCLONE FREDDY (TCF) IN MALAWI

The New Apostolic Church through its NGO, New Apostolic Church Relief Organisation (NACRO) has partnered with NAK-Karitativ, Hilfe Zur Selbsthilfe (Help), and the New Apostolic Church Members to donate relief items to victims of the Tropical Cyclone Freddy which had hit the Southern Region of Malawi for several days during the month of March 2023. The donation is valued at over **MK76 million**. The emergency relief items will be reached out to at least 1,200 households living in camps because of being displaced by the persistent heavy rains, accompanied by strong winds, causing a lot of damage and losses to human life, homes, and assets. So many families were rendered homeless as the cyclone wreaked havoc on communities and the environment.

The aftermaths of the floods are that:

- Many households are now exposed to immediate and prolonged acute food shortages because of destruction of people's disposal assets and food items, and crop fields.
- Many vulnerable people especially children, pregnant and lactating women, the elderly and chronically ill are now exposed to increased food deficiency maladies due to the flood induced acute food shortage.
- Many people are now exposed to secondary effects of floods such as outbreak of waterborne diseases such as diarrhoea and cholera because of drinking from unsafe and unprotected water points contaminated by flood waters, as well as to Malaria because of sleeping in open places hence exposed to mosquitoes.

The Organization specifically intends to provide the emergency relief items in 7 camps located in Blantyre and Phalombe districts as indicated below in the table:



District	Number of targeted Camps	Number of Households targeted.	Estimated Population
Blantyre City	1	100	500
Blantyre Rural	2	300	1,500
Phalombe	4	800	4,000
Total	7	1,200	6,000

The amount of funds raised from our partners has been used to purchase food items, blankets, household utensils, hygiene/toiletry sets, mosquito nets, sanitary pads, and education materials.

On 18th March 2023, the International President of New Apostolic Church in Zambia, Malawi, and Zimbabwe – District Apostle Kububa Soko, appealed to New Apostolic Church Members to mobilize materials to support the affected communities in Malawi. So far assorted items which include: second hand clothes, shoes, duvets, chitenjes, detergents, food items, and household utensils have been mobilised by church members and NACRO will distribute to the affected communities.

Package and quantities of relief items to be provided to each household include:

Item	Unit	Quantity
Food items		
Maize Flour	15 kg	15kgs bag
Beans	2kg	2kgs packet
Soya pieces meal	50g packet	4 packets
Brown Sugar	1kg packet	2 packets
Salt	1kg packet	1 packet
Hygiene items, kitchen utensils, beddings & school writing materials		
Blankets	Number	1 blanket
Mosquito nets	Number	1 mosquito net



Sunshine soap	100g tablet	4 tablets
Buckets - 20Ltrs	Number	1 bucket
Basins - 20Ltrs	Number	1bucket
Sanitary pads	Number	1 pad
Plastic plates	Number	4 plates
Plastic cups	Number	4 cups
Water guard Chlorine	150 ml bottle	1 bottle
Pens	Number	4 pens
Exercise books	Number	4 notebooks

New Apostolic church Relief Organization (NACRO) is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) under the New Apostolic Church. The organization was established to operate as a development and humanitarian wing of the Church. NACRO exists to help the needy and disadvantaged communities of different geographical, social, religious, and cultural backgrounds. NACRO works to accomplish its goals by most importantly mobilizing resources and contribute towards the reduction of poverty and improvement of livelihood which is its core mandate through various projects.

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