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Stock Taking

The Theological Education by Extension (TEE) department has various stores and outlets. Today has been set aside for the staff to take an inventory of the materials they have on their shelves. Each person has been assigned a clerk to assist. Once the completed form is duly signed and countersigned, it will be emailed to admin. This comprehensive exercise helps the department know exactly how many books we have and which supplies are running low.

The Leremore family returned to Kenya in August after spending precious time with Naomi's Dad, who had been in hospital since April and is now "With Christ, which is much better" (Philippians 1:23). The death of a loved one ushers in a different type of stock-taking, bringing up questions about the meaning of life, its purpose, the best way to live it, what we put our faith and trust in.

Such stock-taking can be on a personal, community or national level.

There will be many tears in Silas' year 9 class today, as they meet for the first time since the sad news that their classmate, a 13-year-old boy called Chisomo, lost his battle with ill health over the weekend. The class will be offered counselling to help them cope with their grief. One helpful suggestion is that the children make a book for Chisomo's parents, with messages and memories recorded in it.



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On another tragic note, the whole country was in mourning last week as we watched the televised funeral service held for 21 young boys aged between 8 and 13, who died in a school dormitory fire.



My stock-taking today reminds me that each day of life is a precious gift from God, a blessing from him and part of the legacy we leave behind.

Points for Prayer:

- Thank God for the comprehensive stock-taking exercise held within the TEE department and pray for godly wisdom in using the information it produces.
- Pray for Rev Ruth and Evangelist Benjamin who have joined the TEE team in writing the third Bible Study Guide Book called "No Other Gospel".
- Remember Naomi's wider family circle as they continue to grieve the loss of her Dad.
- Ask that God will be close to the broken-hearted, Psalm 34:18 - Chisomo's parents and classmates, the parents and school community of the dormitory fire victims. Pray that the government will take the necessary steps to ensure another tragedy like this one does not occur.