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A Testimony from Bolaji Sholoton
Nigerian Missionary in Malawi
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I was born in a nominal Muslim home and would occasionally accompany my friends to their churches. I had many opportunities to become a Christian, but I didn't want to. Eventually, the Lord captured my heart. Today, I'm a missionary showing others how they, too, can become children of God.

Every year, I'd make a New Year's resolution: to get closer to God. However, the resolution would not live to see the end of February. Towards the end of 1997, I decided that I would no longer have short-lived New Year's resolutions. On Christmas Eve, I went to a church I knew and gave my life to Christ.

My friends followed up on me to ensure I didn't fall away from the faith. A missionary came to the church to mobilize for missions and gave us cassettes about missions. I listened to those cassettes for 6 months, and I knew this was what I wanted to do with my life.

My church was not mission-minded. Therefore, on my own accord, I decided to go to a neighbouring village to spread the Good News on Christmas Eve. It was in my culture and language but in a remote place. It was a wonderful experience.

I strongly felt that I had a call for cross-cultural, but I wasn't fulfilling it. I was the head of the missions department in church, but all we were doing was planting more churches of our denomination in reached places. Finally, I let the leaders know that that was not what I wanted to do; we parted ways, and I became a full-time missionary.

CAPRO was the only mission organization I knew, so I asked to volunteer with them. I served among the Hausa in Northern Nigeria for 7 months. I still wanted to know the mind of God. One day, God talked to me in a dream, and I knew in what mission field to serve.

I joined Christian Missionary Foundation, and my wife and I are still serving with them in Malawi. I met my wife while serving in CAPRO; she was also a missionary.

We're working among the Nyiha people of Malawi. They are among the least unreached in Malawi. We're also mobilizing Malawians to become missionaries. Our vision is to see Malawi go from a missionary receiving to a sending country.

The church in Africa is doing missions, but we still have a lot of nations that aren't joining the mission movement. Nations that are reached should join hands and reach the whole of Africa and the world. We need more mobilizers and missionaries to reach our global mandate.

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- For God to prosper His purpose in our hearts.
- For us to keep steadfast in the Lord
- For the Malawian Church to be stirred to reach out more.

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