



**Dear Bola Moyo Supporter,**

**You are invited to the Friends of Bola Moyo 2010 Malawi Tour!**

Join us on a journey to explore the reality of life in Malawi, a poor yet vibrant country in southern Africa, while witnessing the hope created through Bola Moyo's education and empowerment projects in a community in southern Malawi.



Over two weeks you'll have the opportunity to get to know the community where we work as well as our program participants at the House of Many Stories and Bola Moyo Community Center, where we run a youth program for children aged 6-19 in the community, many of whom are orphans or otherwise vulnerable children. You also will meet the adult women of all ages who courageously attend our Adult Literacy and Education program, as they are inspired to improve their lives and empowered to make more informed and confident decisions for themselves, their families, and their community. Experience Malawi, share skills with staff and volunteers of partner organizations and engage with inspiring young people who have benefited from Bola Moyo's programs in Malawi. Also included in the tour is 5 days of exploring beautiful sites in the country, including a 2-day safari at Liwonde National Park, time at Lake Malawi, a half day at Mua Malawi Cultural Center, and a day and night at scenic Zomba plateau, Malawi's colonial capital.

**Date:** Saturday 15 May – Sunday 30 May

**Cost:** Approx \$4500

- Includes international roundtrip airfare from USA, Accommodation, Insurance, In-Country travel, In-Country Transfers, Daily Meals, Small donation to projects visited
- Does not include Vaccinations, spending money, extra activities at Lake Malawi

### PROPOSED ITINERARY

Saturday 15 May	Depart US for Malawi
Sunday 16 May	Arrive in Lilongwe, the capital of Malawi, and spend one night there to rest after your long journey.
Monday 17 May	Travel to Balaka (approx 3 hours from Lilongwe) and get settled into your accommodation.
Tuesday 18 May – Friday 21 May	Visit and volunteer at the House of Many Stories / Bola Moyo Community Center in Balaka, as well as see the sites around Balaka (schools, orphanages, villages).
Saturday 22 May – Wednesday 26 May	Spend 2 days at safari lodge at Liwonde National Park, 2 days at Lake Malawi, ½ day at Mua Malawi Language and Cultural Center, and 1 day/1 night at scenic Zomba plateau.

Wednesday 26 May – Friday 28 May	Visit and volunteer at the House of Many Stories / Bola Moyo Community Center. Leisure day and additional Balaka sightseeing days are optional.
Saturday 29 May	AM: Goodbye ceremonies at the House of Many Stories / Bola Moyo Community Center PM: Travel to Lilongwe and spend the night relaxing before your departure.
Sunday 30 May	Depart Malawi
Monday 31 May	Arrive USA

**RSVP**

To register your interest in coming on this trip, please contact Desirée Cooper by **Friday January 8, 2010** at [desiree@bola-moyo.org](mailto:desiree@bola-moyo.org).

If you have any questions relating to any aspect of the tour, please don't hesitate to contact Desirée Cooper at [desiree@bola-moyo.org](mailto:desiree@bola-moyo.org).



*We hope you will join us in Malawi!*