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I laid a foundation like a wise master builder according to God's grace that was given to me, but someone else is building on top of it. Each person needs to pay attention to the way they build on it.
(1 Corinthians 3, 10)

Fundamental

It's probably inherited that I like building very much. When I travel as mission secretary into our partner countries, buildings are often my main concern. There is a great demand for buildings. A new orphanage here, a new Kindergarten there; students need new rooms, and buildings, in which educational projects are operating, must be renovated and extended. The main thing is always the best possible planning to provide an optimum in new constructions or renovations. Otherwise, new buildings, alterations or renovations might become necessary again three years later.

Paul reminds us that the building of God's kingdom does not mean talking about the construction of houses it refers to building up people and to their development. Just like for all buildings a firm and reliable foundation is most important. Nowadays, we are confronted with all sorts of differences, and it was quite similar in Paul's times, but there was and is that common and very solid foundation: Jesus Christ. A most reliable foundation. That is a special experience, often make, when there are different ideas about "buildings" of all kinds between our partners in Africa and Latin America and us. We have a common foundation and , therefore, a common goal: The Kingdom of God. Because we can rely on this common foundation, we find common solutions for people's development and for the construction of the required buildings.

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I GIVE THANKS

- For all those people in or partner countries who get an education through UMC, and in whom the foundation has become Jesus Christ.
- For the good progress of the construction of the UMC orphanage in Cambine, Mozambique.
- For the "Living Fundament" bilt in many children through the project "Shadow and fresh Water" in Brazil.

MY PRAYER IS

- For the many workers in or partner churches in Liberia, Nigeria, and Sierra Leone who are in great demand and danger because of the Ebola crisis.
- For Renate and Claus Haertner who are about to go to Mozambique, and for Thomas and Claudia Guenther who will be returning from their service there to Germany.
- For male and female pastors of UMC in Malawi that they can continue their work with new strength founded on the foundation Jesus Christ.

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