

DTI COHORT 2 SEPTEMBER 2023 TO JUNE 2025



James and Alinane Thole

> **Children:** Madalitso 7 **Age:** James 36, Alinane 32

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James and Alinane, along with their son, Madalitso (means "Blessings") come from the southern region of Malawi in the Mangochi district (several hours north of Namikango). James has four brothers and four sisters. Alinane (which means "God is with me") has one sister and four brothers. Both James and Alinane completed their high school degree in 2013. This makes Alinane an exception, as many young women aren't able to complete their high school education. She also has a technical certificate in tailoring and sewing, which she was doing prior to coming to Namikango. Both James and Alinane farm at home to help provide for their needs, and James has a business in selling rice. In their free time, they both enjoy playing football (soccer), and Alinane enjoys reading books, while James enjoys listening to music. When asked what they hope to learn while at Namikango, they expressed a desire to know more of God's word, God's mission in the world, and what role his people have to play in this mission. James hopes to advance his theological education some day and work as a preacher or teacher. Alinane hopes to become a social worker. Their home district is a largely Muslim populated area. James and Alinane are a committed young couple, passionate about making new disciples of Jesus!

Alinane's favorite Bible verse is Psalms 70:1 - "It teaches me to rely on God, always." James' favorite Bible verse is John 3:16 - "It shows me the greatest example of giving."

PRAYING FOR YOUR DTI STUDENT

B L E S S

Body: Pray for good health, protection, and strength.

Labor: Pray for their work experience and their financial security.

- Emotional: Pray for emotional health and a good quality of life; for joy, peace, hope.
 - Social: Pray for their relationships with their family, friends and other DTI students.

Spiritual: Pray for their relationship with Jesus Christ and growth in their walk.