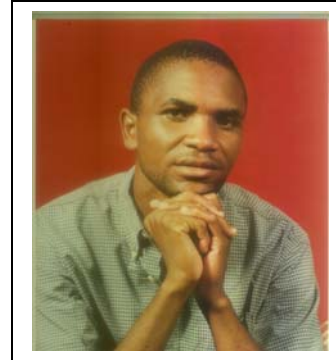


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## Profile YES Scholarship Winners

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Name: **Kapachika Christopher**  
Date of birth: **22<sup>nd</sup> July 1980**  
Country of origin: **Malawi**  
Country of studies: **Malawi**  
Present country: **Malawi**  
Studies level: **Bachelor of Science 3**  
University: **University of Malawi**  
Field of study: **Information Technology Programme**  
YES Scholarship: **2005/2006**  
Sponsor: **Vodafone**  
Profession: **Student**



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Mr. Kapachika was awarded a YES Scholarship (ITU/VODAFONE) in 2005. He was probably only ten when her toddler-hood passion for information technology eventually got the sense of building a lifetime career in it. He knew from then what he was to become a computer engineer.

Sixteen years down the line and his dream gradually turns into reality. Computer Science is what he is currently studying at the Chancellor College of the University of Malawi, thanks to the complements of Vodafone under the ITU. Despite some difficulties he is still a very hardworking, determined, focused and ambitious young man. He believes that his existence ought to have some significant impact on his country and the entire world at large.

Unlike many African countries where extreme poverty has been attributed to persistent wars and political instability, Malawi has been a humble victim of this problem in its ever-undisturbed tranquillity. Probable causes could be overpopulation, brain drain, HIV/AIDS and lack of precious export commodities.

That's why, Mr. Kapachika, would like to work with the Malawi government after completion of his current degree and contribute towards eradicating such overdue disasters. He strongly hopes that with good ICT policies and youth empowerment, Malawians can produce competitive IT products that can fetch international markets.

Mr. Kapachika is proudly grateful of his achievements, very certain of his current plans, and very positive about his future. For Mr. Kapachika a dream made possible by the ITU Yes Programme.