

ARUSHA MARANATHA WORLD OUTREACH

MISSIONS NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2019

1 Corinthians 16:22 Come O Lord

Dear Friends in Christ,
JAMBO KUTOKA ARUSHA-TANZANIA.
(How are you from Arusha, Tanzania)
Greetings in the name of our and savior Jesus Christ.

Dear Friends,
Because of unavoidable reasons, we have not sent out a newsletter for a while, We are sharing what the Lord enabled us to do together with your prayers and support the period from January to July 2019.
In all we thank all of you friends, for continuing to stand with us.
Please continue to pray for us.
Tuna wapenda. (We love you).

Pastor Eric and Elisikia Mukwenda, Maranatha family

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MISSION TEAM FROM BAEKESOEK UNIVERSITY

This year marked the seventh consecutive year that Baekseok University of South Korea, (the Christian department) has sent students to us for a short term mission trip. The trip was led by professor Yong Te Lee, who has come all seven years.



Korean Team arrives at Airport and meets Pastor Eric



Professor Young presents clothing donations

This year the team taught students at Maranatha Missions schools and led chapels in which they participated in teaching students songs in the Korean language.



Teaching Korean songs in class

They conducted open air meetings for the children in the evenings. Hundreds of children came to hear the gospel message. They visited several branch churches, where by Professor Young Te preached.

MARANATHA SCHOOLS NEWS

ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

In this period both Elementary and High School are continuing well. Our teachers are working hard to develop the children.



Ministering to children at an open air kids meeting

PRAY FOR UPCOMING NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS

Seventh grade, tenth grade and twelfth grades will seat for final national examinations, between September and October 2019.

Pray that our students will do well. Passing the exams enables the seventh graders to continue in high school, tenth graders to continue with their high school education and twelfth graders to continue with higher education.



Students worshipping during chapel time

MORE CLASSROOMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL

More class rooms and laboratory rooms are needed for January 2021 as we will have new students and the current classrooms are full.

We are believing in God to provide funds to finish a few rooms on the ground floor of a new high school building, which is still partially under construction.



The high school building needs funding to complete the ground floor by January 2020.

PRAY FOR SCHOOL FINANCES

Many parents are struggling with finances and their ability to pay the school fees. As many of you know what they pay it is not enough to run the school and additional support is needed for the shortfall. Please pray for school finances; prayerfully consider us with monthly or one time gifts towards the needs of the school so that we can continue to educate those precious children Our goal is to keep the fee affordable for the parents.

SHORT MISSION VISIT FROM PASTOR MARK AND JANET JAPPE

It was a blessing to have Pastor Mark Jappe and his wife, Janet from San Diego, California. They have been with us several times before. The following is an account of their time with us.



“Greetings in the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ! My husband, Pastor Mark Jappe and I were privileged to serve the Lord during our time with God’s family in Tanzania. We received a warm welcome from Pastor Eric Mukwenda and his wife, Elisikia, and we so appreciate their hospitality.

We led two chapel services for junior high and high school students of Maranatha Schools. Pastor Mark highlighted Hebrews 12 and encouraged the young people to run their race, keeping their eyes focused on Jesus and Him alone. I taught them my favorite Tommy Walker song (from this trip) and shared the YouTube link of him singing “All About Your Glory.” They loved that!

Every Friday afternoon the teachers and staff of Maranatha School gathered for devotions, and they asked us to join them. Their song booklets included Swahili with English translation, so we were able to sing to the Lord in sweet sounds of praise together to honor and glorify Him. Pastor Mark talked about how good teaching at their school campus must include education WITH Christianity, otherwise its knowledge without wisdom. Not only is it essential to stress the Gospel but they were also encouraged to remember the poor (Galatians 2:10), something we all should take very seriously.



We were able to attend worship services for three different churches. Our friends John and Peace Williams shared their testimony, Pastor Mark gave stirring messages and I sang. At the Maranatha Church in Moshono where Pastor Manase ministers, it was once a bar but now so beautifully decorated no one would guess its original use. While there Mark asked me to sing His Eye Is On the Sparrow, and while I was doing that I viewed chickens outside the front door. I had to smile at God's sense of humor. For this congregation, Mark preached from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, and while talking about being "poor in spirit," he mentioned our little grandson Benjamin who has been so needy with health challenges, and there is nothing we can physically do to change his situation. It was a moving point for both of us and the people listening as we realized we come empty handed to God, waiting for His Spirit to fill us when we bring to Him our humble requests.

We enjoyed the African worship style of singing and dancing. I even learned a praise song in Swahili. It was a joy to sing to the Lord with my brothers and sisters in Christ in Tanzania!

John, Peace, Mark and I were invited to dinner after Friday night services at the home of Sophia and Samuel Kaaya. The Kayaas have six children, and four of them have attended Maranatha Christian School, two which have graduated. Their middle son Joshua has completed his 12th grade and plans to study international law. His older brothers, both graduates of Maranatha, are completing their university studies in engineering and accounting. Their father Samuel knows the importance of a good education; he is a hard-working man who completed the 7th grade, began selling newspapers and now owns a successful shop that sells handmade items from the Masai tribe of Tanzania. Samuel has sacrificed so his sons can go further in their education than he did, and he is grateful for what Pastor Eric has provided for their family through Maranatha Christian School. Over thirteen years ago, by faith Eric began this school for poor children in the neighborhood of Mianzini; 400 are now currently enrolled. Thoughtful donors have given and continue to give so that families, who otherwise could not afford tuition, now have the hope of sending their children to school. The Kaaya family is a shining example of what the Lord can do through the Church Family and Christian education.



When the dinner was over Samuel asked Joshua to play his guitar, which he did. We all enjoyed hearing the beautiful classical acoustic style. And after our time of fellowship, we left for Maranatha Church with their 10 year old son Jeremiah pictured next to his brother with the guitar. His age group was meeting for an all-night prayer service, and he could hardly wait to join his friends. When we asked him what he would be praying for, he was quick to reply, "We pray for our teachers and our school and for our studies and that God would guide our future plans." We were amazed and humbled by his response.

Our day of rest on Saturday ended with a lovely sit down dinners at the Mukwenda's home. The food was delicious, but I must say it was most inspiring to hear Pastor Eric recount the story of how Maranatha Christian School began through complete trust and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. To God be the glory for the things He has done and continues to do!

We left Tanzania with precious memories, new friends and the hope that God is continuing to make a difference in this nation and this continent through His willing servants."

*With love and blessings in the Lord Jesus Christ,
Sister Janet and Pastor Mark Jappe*

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO STAND WITH US
Kindly and prayerfully consider us with
your giving to help carry on the work of
the schools and churches.
With each expansion of God's work our
needs increase.**

**Your one time gifts are greatly
appreciated as well as your continued
support on a monthly or quarterly basis.
More than all remember us in your
prayers.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Pray for God to continue to strengthen the teachers and non-teaching staff.
2. Pray for us to continue to impact lives.
3. Pray for provision to plant and support churches.
4. Pray for God to provide funds to finish new classrooms, as they are needed by January 2021.
5. Pray for provision of funds for other needs for the schools.
6. Pray for the students who are preparing for national examinations – that they do well.
7. Pray for full consideration to support this growing work.
8. Pray for God to send us needed volunteers for the elementary school, secondary school, and all the other ministries.

SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS AND OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We invite individuals, church teams, youth groups and anyone interested in coming for a short mission trip. We also welcome those who would like to volunteer for a minimum of a month or longer. Volunteers for the secondary school (high school) are needed for teaching, administration, and other skills. For more information please visit our website at www.maranathatz.org and click on the Missions link or contact us at:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Revival meeting, Missions week
- Short Missions team from Korea
- Final examinal for 7th, 10th, and 12th grades.

Bwana asifiwe! (Praise the Lord!)

DONATE ONLINE

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INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A STUDENT?

We are so very grateful for those who are sponsoring needy students so they can break the cycle of poverty by getting a good education. Would you like to join the team of sponsors? Sponsoring a program is a big part of helping the school operate and continue to provide the needed education. Please consider sponsoring a student in both elementary and high school.

Please contact us at the U.S. office for further information. (Contact shown in this newsletter)

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