

Tales of Tanzania

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Prayer Requests

- * Thanks for God's blessings and guidance as I continue this journey and face challenges that strengthen me.
- * That God would continue to inspire people to partner with my ministry through prayer and funding.
- * For the Funke family as they prepare to return home to the United States after 7 years of fruitful service.
- * That I am able to depart to Tanzania in early 2020

Upcoming Presentations

Sun. Nov. 3- Word of Life Cibolo TX

Mon. Nov. 4- Concordia University Austin, TX

Sun. Nov. 10- Redeemer Lutheran Peoria, IL

Wed. Nov. 13- The Summit Aledo, TX

Sun. Nov. 17- St. Paul Lutheran Fort Worth, TX

Sun. Nov. 24- Lamb of God Flower Mound, TX

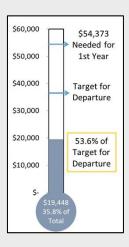
This Past Month...

October has been a flurry of activity as I presented at numerous churches, scheduled more church visits, continued to substitute teach, celebrated my 45-year class reunion in Aggieland, and moved out of my apartment. I am now living with my daughter until I move to Tanzania. I want to especially thank Zion in Vernon, TX, Crown of Life in Colleyville, TX, and St. Paul in Wichita Falls, TX for welcoming me so warmly during the past few months. By God's grace, the month of November is scheduled with presentations every Sunday but I still have openings for December 1 and 15. Do you know of a church that would like to learn more about ministry in Tanzania? I am also calling individuals and small groups for meeting times during the week, so please let me know if we can talk. I'm thrilled to share that I now have 54% (in cash and pledges) of what I need financially in order to move to Tanzania! Praise the Lord! Thank you to all who have contributed so generously. My next goal is to be at 75% by Thanksgiving.

My Roles: Mentor

In my last newsletter, I shared about my role as English teacher. Most students learn in Swahili throughout elementary school and then are expected to learn and take national exams in English in Secondary School. If students don't pass their national exams, they are not allowed to continue their education. English is thus a huge challenge for students, especially since most Tanzanian teachers are not fluent in English. One of my roles will therefore also be to mentor teachers and help them to likewise improve their English. As a native English speaker with ESL teaching experience and certification, I am uniquely gifted to mentor teachers in this area and to help them better serve the students.

Financial Update



My budget is comprised of two sets of costs.

- * Out-going costs (\$9,130) include one-time needs (airfare, moving costs, permits, etc.)
- * On-going costs (about \$3800 per month) include reoccurring expenses such as food, utilities, insurance, costs of ministry, etc.

Therefore in my first year I will need \$54,373 total. Before I can leave the U.S., I need \$36,276 in cash or pledges. As of Oct. 31, I have received \$19,448 in cash and pledges.

In documenting my financial support, monthly pledges are converted to a year-long pledge (i.e. a pledge of \$25 a month= \$300 in my records.)

How to Give

Make checks out to "Global Lutheran Outreach" with "Kruckemeyer" in the memo line.

Mail to Global Lutheran Outreach 6709 Ficus Dr., Miramar, FL 33023

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My Roles: Mentor (Continued)

I have also been asked by the school to specifically mentor the female students. Female teachers and role models are scarce across Tanzania. Right now at Mwadui Lutheran Secondary School out of twenty-seven teachers, only five are women. Meanwhile over 50% of the almost 400 students are young women. These young women desperately need to see female teachers who are strong, capable, and compassionate. I want to help them set goals, improve study skills, build self-confidence, envision future careers, and grow in their relationship with Jesus.

I have also been asked to specifically mentor struggling students. With such a large student population, most teachers do not have time to sit one-on-one and help students learn study strategies. I can make a true difference in the lives of struggling students with individualized support.

Finally, I also hope to mentor young people with albinism. In Tanzania, about 1 in 1400 people are born with the genetic condition of albinism. They are often ostracized from their communities, and raped, maimed, or killed by people who believe their bodies are magical. The Lutheran diocese has been supporting and empowering young women with albinism, and I look forward to getting involved in this effort.



And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." Isaiah 6:8



