

April 2018

HOME & HEART

People always say that "home is where the heart is" and we are finding that to be completely true. While these past six months we have given a piece of our hearts to the Tanzanian people, we also left a piece of our hearts back in the USA with our family and friends. So you could say that we truly have two homes across the world from each other. And this month, we got to spend time in both our Tanzanian and American homes.



We enjoyed spending Easter in Tanzania and creating new traditions. We began the day with a beautiful church service and ended the day with some homemade pizza making.



We also had the chance to lead one last Bible Study with the students at SHADE before we left for the USA. Austin taught them about the greatest story - the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Check out the latest video about the top three things of the past month and our travel plans at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8z5Zy4baVaw. Our trip back to the USA required traveling on three planes. First, from Mwanza to Dar Es Salaam. Then, from Dar Es Salaam to Doha. And finally, Doha to Houston.



We spent a week in Austin, TX as Amber fulfilled some of her requirements for her internship at Concordia University Texas. Then Sunday April 22nd, we spoke to the congregation at Faith Lutheran Church in Georgetown about our ministry in Tanzania. We were so blessed by the experience and encouragement received there.



We are enjoying time with friends all over Texas. Amber is so excited to be here, just in time, to celebrate a friend's wedding. We are, also, enjoying spending lots of time with family. We love talking with them in person, instead of over the phone!

Our Dinner and Auction

We will be hosting an auction and dinner on May 11th at 6:30pm at St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Houston, TX. It will be a fun evening to share more about our ministry in Tanzania and bring a piece of Africa here to you. We will have many African goodies and cultural artifacts to bid on, in the auction, as well as lots of other fun items. We are selling tickets now - \$10 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. For more information or tickets contact Melissa Bamsch at mbamsch@beioil.com.

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Prayer Requests

- Safety as we travel around Texas to visit friends and family.
- That our dinner auction would be a successful event that would be used to bless our ministry and the programs we work with.
- Safe travels back to Tanzania on May 16.