

# ***ACTS IN AFRICA***

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Dear Friends and Family,

Greetings from Tanzania! The past month has been one of readjusting to African life. As we mentioned in our last letter, it seemed more of a challenge to leave our families this time, however we have since felt a divine reassurance that this is where the Lord would have us continue our work for Him.

We arrived home to water problems which have taken some time and effort to sort out. Apparently the town installed new water mains which increased the water pressure supplied to residential areas. Although this sounds great, it was not so good for those of us who live in homes with older, pieced together, flimsy, plastic pipes! We had burst pipes, blown taps and numerous leaks to repair – with the added challenge of finding quality parts and competent labor! A real lesson in patience! It seems things are finally coming under control in this department.

As well, the devil has not missed a beat and is trying hard to divert or distract the ministry God has led us into. On our return, we discovered a problem with some church leaders which we feel needs to be resolved before we head out to the villages. This has been a real concern for us and we appreciate your prayers for wisdom and discernment.

Last week we visited the new Bugando Hill Nursery School. Although in its early stages, the eager children greeted and sang for us in English. Esther, an experienced teacher, does well with her limited resources and supplies to teach the 48 children. They begin their day with prayer and singing, followed by learning the alphabet, counting, English, etc. "Tea" (breakfast) was being offered until recently when many of the children were not able to pay their full fees (\$3/mo). Our hearts went out to these impoverished children and we were pleased to be able to



donate some crayons, pencils, chalk, exercise books, story books, etc to the school. Also, we are sponsoring a young lady from the church to act as a teacher's assistant. We trust the teacher will persevere with the ministry and outreach to these little ones. If you would like to help this worthwhile ministry, you may send contributions to one of the addresses below, designating "Nursery School." A nutritional break is important for these young children as most would not receive food until later in the day.

Requests for seminars, far and near, are reaching us and we are anxious to begin our village trips again as soon as possible. In the mean time, as well as preparing new messages and material, both of us have had opportunity to do weekend preaching in Mwanza.

Finally, in the book of Acts, we read that the early Christians were of "one accord" and gave sacrificially to the cause of Christ. We have witnessed that same kind of spirit in this ministry and want to thank all of you for your prayers and financial support. May God bless you richly.

In His service,

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