



# GREETINGS FROM AFRICA

Breaking news and stories for friends of Twing Memorial Ministries, changing lives in Tanzania, East Africa through health, education, and evangelism.

**SUMMER 2012**

## Twing Memorial "Secondary" School (TMSS)

In mid November 2011, Musa received information that those in leadership of the ruling party, that a Member of Parliament (MP) and the new leaders of the villages were planning to confiscate 18 acres of land purchased by Twing Memorial Ministries over eight years ago. In Africa, if land is not used for its intended purpose, it can be taken over by the government. Their plan was to construct an African bazaar/shopping mall.

Musa immediately contacted his friends in the nearby villages. They told him they would help him save the land if we would start construction of our Secondary School immediately. A donor advanced \$10,000 and within two weeks, Musa had a letter of construction from Kasulu District and a letter of construction and a certificate for a secondary school from the Tabora Regional Headquarters to take to the Tanzania Ministry of Education. Several months ago, Musa visited the Ministry of Education in Dar a-Salaam and was immediately granted a certificate to operate a secondary school. *"This is a miracle in itself, since things usually do not move that fast in Africa,"* stated Musa.

To date \$23,390 has been spent in construction of the Twing Memorial **Secondary** School (TMSS). As you can see from this photo major construction is finished. Application of stucco, painting, doors, windows, black boards, landscaping, toilets, and installing desks remain. Approximately \$26,000 is needed by January 2013 to finish this project.

*"Completion of the buildings will be the final cost of the secondary school,"* stated Musa recently. Unlike the elementary school, the salaries of teachers and operating costs will be paid for by students as they will all be required

to pay tuition. Not only does building the secondary school save the property for the ministry, but having a secondary school will safeguard the investment our ministry has in the young people who have attended Twing Memorial School from kindergarten through the present grades. Without the secondary school, students would be sent out into all parts of Tanzania for an education, suffering the influences of those secular communities while they are spiritually immature.



With the expansion of services by Twing Memorial Ministries, there are some additional needs, such as a well for drinking water -- needed at both sites.

The site of the secondary school is such that income can be generated by farming. There will be a number of associated expenses involved in getting farming going on the property, such as a tractor, etc. It is the plan that students work in growing the crops to pay their tuition fees. One such crop being considered is pineapple.

## CURRENT NEEDS

- A gift of \$50 will educate ONE student in the elementary school for an entire year. **Funds for teacher's salaries are most urgently needed.** Please consider sponsoring one or more of the 665 enrolled students.
- \$70/month will pay the stipend for one of our 12 full-time lay pastors.
- Funds to drill wells for both the primary and now the new secondary school. -- \$12,000.
- Funds to finish construction of the secondary school -- \$26,000. The school must be finished by the end of this year for graduating elementary students.
- Food for students (*one gift of \$600 will provide food for the entire school year*).
- Swahili Bibles for the newly baptized.
- Motorbike for TMS headmaster.
- There are other needs, however, these needs are most critical now.

## Twing Memorial Ministries

is a member of Adventist-Laymen's Services for Industries (ASI).

The ministry is involved in evangelism, employs 12 lay pastors, 14 full-time teachers and a headmaster for an elementary school of 665+ students, and educates young people beyond secondary school. Work is accomplished as TMM is blessed with donor support.



## TWING MEMORIAL MINISTRIES

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## Dear Friends,

God is at work at Twing Memorial School – The passion of students and teachers is to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Matthew 18:14, *“It is not the will of your father in heaven that any of these little ones be lost.”*

A few months ago students conducted public evangelistic meetings – their first attempt to preach to adults in the village. The meetings were held after school for two weeks. The speaker was a very talented student, Matiasi Lukoze. All the other students helped with the meetings by inviting people to attend, etc. At the end of the meetings, 16 received Christ and were baptized.

Mama Twing celebrated her 90th birthday in June with her youngest son and daughter. I was not able to be there with her, but sent her our best wishes.

Thank you so much for supporting TMM and the children at TMS. Our prayers are with you as you partner with us in educating children in Tanzania.

Your servant,

Musa Mitekaro

### NEWS NOTES:

- **Bus Accident, Winfrida Mitekaro Injured** — *“Seriously injured in a bus accident near Lake Victoria, Winfrida is doing better than before,”* reports Musa. *“She had x-rays in which they found a dislocated clavicle. She continues to have pain when lifting up things, walking, and in sleeping. The medical doctor advised her not to have an operation but to continue with medication and natural therapy.”*
- **ASI Convention** — For the first time in many years, TMM did not attend the ASI National Convention this year. This move saved considerable resources for ministry in Africa.
- **Public evangelistic meetings** are finished. There were 214 who received Christ and were baptized immediately following the meetings. Another baptism of 142 was held, with more scheduled later. Many miracles took place during and following these meetings. Watch for details in future newsletters.
- **Credit Card Gifts** — You can now make gifts to Twing Memorial Ministries via credit card at this address:

<http://m.twingmm.netasi.org>



Using your mobile phone, you may scan the QR code and make your gift from your mobile phone.

PHOTOS RIGHT: (TOP) Lay pastors conference in Singida. (BOTTOM) Baptism after public evangelism meetings.

- **Challenges of evangelism** – For each series of meetings, a team is put into place, including a preacher, Bible workers, and musicians. Young people are used where possible, and many volunteers even up to age 85 are used. Morning time is for visitation, conducting Bible studies, and prayers in the homes. Meetings are held in the afternoons from 3 to 6.30 pm. Many are held in the open air. All include discussions about health, family, and children, in addition to a sermon. Challenges include obtaining not only a PA system for each site, but electricity to power the systems. Funds are needed for food and housing of the team members for three weeks. This may sound like hard work, especially when you organize for 15 meetings to run simultaneously, but Musa states, *“I’ve learned to be resourceful and to trust God as He provides for our needs, just in time!”*

