

GREETINGS... FROM AFRICA

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

Winter 2013

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE

Early in September there was a National examination for students in standard seven, including 73 from Twing Memorial School.

During the TMS examination there was high security with police and investigators. Last year our school performed so well the government increased security thinking that maybe there may be cheating behind our students' performance. There are seven courses with seven examinations.

The police and investigators were surprised to see before each examination, students sing and pray. This is not common at any school in Tanzania, only at Twing Memorial School. In their report on student performance, they concluded that, *"The secret of high performance at Twing Memorial School is prayer, and they even prayed for us, they trust in God that is why they always pass their national examinations."*

While our students are out of school until the middle of January 2014 they face many challenges. Some will be involved in child labor, taking care of cattle, doing small business in the street, etc. to earn some money for their family.

All who performed well in standard seven final national exams will join Secondary School (form one) education in January 2014.

Standard seven national examinations results for 2013 are out and Twing Memorial School has performed well.

The following are the results of the examination:

Average performance is:

- 90.158 — fourth position in the Ward of 19 schools
- 98th position in the District of 222 schools
- 185th position in the Region of 625 schools
- 648th position in the Tanzania, of 15,656 schools in the whole country)

These pupils have sent a letter to the Tanzania Ministry of Education requesting permission to start Twing Memorial Secondary School in January 2014.

What will be the response from the ministry of Education? TMS students love their school and wish to continue their education at Twing Memorial School. They are fighting with the government on our behalf to grant us the permit/registration.



SECONDARY SCHOOL UPDATE

The construction of Twing Memorial Secondary School is indeed proceeding by faith, like the story recorded in Joshua 3:8, "... when you have come to the edge of water of Jordan, you stand in the Jordan."

The river was in flood stage, swollen out of its banks, in human view there was no way to cross it. God was urgently needed to do wonders among them. Still God

CURRENT NEEDS

- **URGENTLY NEEDED – Sponsors are needed for students** – Make a gift of \$50 and educate one student for an entire school year!
- \$80 a month will pay the **stipend of one of our twelve full-time lay pastors.**
- A well is needed to supply **water for students.** The estimated cost is \$8,000. *(We're anticipating this will soon be required by the government)*
- A bicycle can be replaced for \$110. Right now **12 bicycles are needed.**
- To finish the **Secondary School**, \$40,000 to meet government requirements for registration. Finishing the secondary school will make it possible for TMM to continue its influence with the young people who have been attending since they were 4 or 5 years old. These students are much too young to be sent away from their school and local community.
- There are many other needs; however, these needs are most critical right now.
- You may make a credit card gift online at www.twingmm.org.



Your gifts will make a huge difference in the lives of children like these.



TWING MEMORIAL MINISTRIES (TMM)

(in honor of 91 year old Ethel Twing, RN, and in memory of James Arthur Twing, MD), TMM is a member of Adventist-Laymen's Services for Industries (ASI). The ministry directs work in Tanzania, East Africa:



- Operates an elementary and secondary school, employing a headmaster and full-time teachers
- Provides scholarships for promising young people for education beyond secondary school
- Evangelism and church planting
- Employment of lay pastors

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wanted Israelites to do their part by stepping into the Jordan by faith. Leaders like Joshua and the priest were needed to accomplish the mission of God to carry the ark of covenant.

Furniture for Twing Memorial Secondary School was ordered, tables, chairs, and cupboards for the headmaster's office, the second master's office, the teachers' office, and for four classrooms.

In addition, 50 chairs and tables were ordered for one classroom. This furniture will be at the school by the time you read this newsletter. This has only been possible because of special donor support of this project.

Before government officials come and see the progress of equipping the Secondary School, we wish we could have met some more of the requirements such as chairs and tables for another classroom, water, roads, and construction of teachers house (duplex). Surely God will bless us as we endeavor to finish Twing Memorial Secondary School before school registration in January.

NEWS NOTES

Manka, grade five, wrote to me about his experience with God during his holiday. One of six children whose father passed away five years ago, Manka struggles to help his mother meet family needs.

One day his mother was admitted to the Kigoma Government Regional Hospital, 75 miles from their home. At government hospitals medical care is the cheapest even though a private hospital is two miles away. Manka travelled by bus to visit her and found that she needed medicines. He purchased them with the money he had for his bus fare, food, and accommodations. He stayed a day without food, then had to go home.

Manka boarded the bus and got seated. In Africa they collect the fare while you are already on the way, sometimes at half of the route or nearing the final destination. Buses get filled with people, some stand and those who come early get a seat. In the bus Manka sees a woman carrying heavy bags and she has no seat. So he stands and invites her to

sit in his seat. The woman appreciated Manka's kindness and she asked him about his family. He told her his story. The woman offered to pay his fare and she gave him enough to visit his mother the next day, too!

Manka loves God and thanks Him for this miracle. These are the kinds of experiences your kids at TMM are experiencing. The Bible says in Matthew 25: 40 "And the King answering shall say to them; Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren you did it to me."

Thanks for your prayers and financial support. —Musa Mitekaro



TMM Lay Pastors who attended Adventist Muslim Relations (AMR) seminar on how to reach unreached groups



At recent meetings with the Maasai people, 78 received Christ and were baptized.



Church members enjoy their meeting in their new facility.

