



# The GLOCAL NEWS

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## THINK AND DREAM SMALL



Dear AMI Family,  
Do you ever feel guilty that your Church or Ministry is just too small? Do you sometimes believe you and the work God has called you to are falling short and inadequate? Take a listen to this song and sing it and believe it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dOBaLrItEyc>

I have been reading two books along this line of thought. Shrink, faithful ministry in a church growth culture by Tim Suttle and Slow Church, Cultivating community in the patient way of Jesus, by C. Christopher Smith and JOHN Pattison.

The theme is God works in and through individuals and small groups as well as or sometimes even more effectively than larger Church expressions we all tend to aspire to. So, embrace your mission and ministry whatever size it is and make health, wholeness and faithfulness your aim rather than size.

We in AMI have eleven Churches in the USA and thousands in Africa, India, Myanmar and Haiti. May we truly and sincerely celebrate who we are while longing for the health and strength God gives to those who are faithful which will then yield whatever growth and expansion He desires for us.

In an effort toward that end I would like to ask if we could all consider ascribing to a Rule of Life for our Society. I will propose a Draft Rule below for you all to consider. Let's prayerfully consider what the Spirit is saying to us His people. I would like to keep it simple and memorable yet substantive. Please read, mark learn and inwardly digest this proposed rule and then respond as the Lord leads.

Blessings in n Jesus,

+Gerry SMA

Rt. Rev. Gerry Schnackenberg  
Apostolic Prefect



## NEW BISHOP'S EMISSARY FOR AM CANADA

Announcing with great joy the upcoming consecration of:

**The Rev. Peter Klenner**

as Bishop's Emissary to the Ordinary of Kindu

by His Grace,

The Most Rev. Zacharie Masimango Katanda,  
Primate and Archbishop of the Anglican Church  
of the Congo and Bishop of Kindu

Friday 28th September 2018



Rev. Peter Klenner

# *Congratulations & Blessings*

*Rev Andrew & Mrs Margaret Doan*



## **THE BLESSING**

**God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favor look upon you, and fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace; that you may faithfully live together in this life, and in the age to come have life everlasting. Amen.**



**Proposed Rule of Life**  
**ANGLICAN MISSION INTERNATIONAL**  
**A Chapter of the**  
**ANGLICAN SOCIETY OF MISSION AND APOSTOLIC WORKS. (SMA)**

We are called to be AVAILABLE to God and to others

- (1) To be available to God in the cell of our own heart when we can be turned towards Him, and seek His face;
- (2) To be available to God and others in Sacrament and corporate worship;
- (3) To be available to others in a call to exercise hospitality, recognizing that in welcoming others we honor and welcome Jesus Christ Himself;
- (4) To be available to others through participation in His care and concern for them, by praying and interceding for their situations in the power of the Holy Spirit;
- (5) To be available for participation in mission of various kinds according to the calling and initiatives of Holy Spirit.

We will tithe both personally and as Church communities in our response of gratitude and thanksgiving for all God has given us.

We are called to intentional, deliberate VULNERABILITY to God and to others: We embrace the vulnerability of being teachable expressed in:

- (1) a discipline of daily prayer; in reading, meditating on and study of Scripture;
- (2) a willingness to be accountable to others in ordering our ways and our heart in order to effect change.
- (3) a commitment to making relationships the priority, and not self-gratification.

We are called to read, mark, learn, inwardly digest and live out by Holy Spirit's power the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5, 6, and 7

**Please join us for our**  
**Anglican Mission International**  
**Weekly Prayer Meeting**  
**on**  
**Monday evenings**  
**9:00 PM EST / 7 o'clock MST.**  
**We meet together by phone.**  
**The call-in number is 515-739-1743.**  
**Access code is 177027#**



# The Currans on Mission in Tanzania

By Fr Don Curran

**Don and Cathy Curran travelled to Tanzania this June to minister with Bishop Vithalis in Biharimulo Diocese and Bishop Godfrey in Leweru Diocese. It was an amazing experience for all of us.**

In Biharimulo I (Don) spoke to the clergy of the Diocese. There are 25 priests and they have 119 churches. Each priest has several churches under their care and a lay evangelist is there when the priest is absent. We talked about the pastor as shepherd and also servant leadership. The spirit and warmth of these wonderful men of God was evident throughout our time together. Cathy was able to speak to the Mother's Union about relevant topics and we were able to help fund one of their many projects going forward.

*We were able to spend time with Vithalis*



*and his beautiful family. His children range in age from 18 to 5.*

We were treated like royalty while we were there. They even made us a cake for our 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Very good!

From there we traveled to the Diocese of Leweru and ministered with Bishop Godfrey. In two days we went to eight churches. I was able to speak about Prayer and the Holy Spirit and the Spirit was certainly present everywhere we went. I kept telling them that the West needs what they have: the power and presence of the Holy



*Cathy and the Leader of the Mothers Union*

Spirit! Their faces during worship are pictures of joy and holiness. What a blessing!

We also received gifts everywhere we went. Our last stop provided us with a live rooster! It was a blessing because Vithalis had a hen and needed a rooster. God provides!

We always leave feeling as though we have received more than we have given and can't wait to back to see what God has in store.



*Anointing for healing at Lewero*



*Anointed Preaching at Lewero*



*+Godfrey & +Vithalis in Mwanza on their way to visit a priest in hospital*



*Anointed Children at Worship*



*Royal Priesthood*



*Thank offerings*

From Tampa to Tanzania in His

# Presence and Power!

By Thomas Lake and Terrell Ramlakhan



*Church of the Resurrection Tampa - Bp Kevin Commissions Thomas and Terrell for Mission in Tanzania.*

Some people have a life changing experience, mine just happened to be across the Atlantic in this beautiful place called Tanzania. Tanzania is one of those places that people would call a hidden gem. They are rich not in money but in character, integrity, and the love of Christ. The people of Tanzania never failed to surprise us, constantly going out of their ways to show the love of Christ through servanthood, giving when they had nothing to give, faith, and worship. Never have we seen this type of love nor sacrifice in the United States.

In the United States some people would get upset if church lasts for more than an hour, in Tanzania they would be upset if church was not more than an hour.

They see church as more than just a Sunday gathering that we “have to do”, they see it as a time to come together with their community and give glory to the living God.

Life’s challenges do not phase them, but instead they give praise to the Lord for the little that they have.

Even though they may not have food, water, and a roof over their head, things we take for granted in America. Then when they come to church they do not come to sit in a pew the whole time, no they come to

dance for the Lord in all out worship. Unlike some people in America they refuse to sit lifeless in pews but instead they choose to rejoice, dance, and sing praises to our Almighty God.

During our time in Tanzania there was never a moment devoid from the presence of the Holy Spirit.



*a time to come together with their community and give glory to the living God.*

Complete submission and control was given to God so that the Holy Spirit could move freely and minister to everyone in a way that was uplifting. God’s power was omnipresent, people were being touched by the Almighty God through His precious Spirit. Lives were being changed as the presence flooded the room and hearts were being touched.



*People were coming to the altar standing in a line that stretched the length of the church to receive Christ, the Holy Spirit, healing, deliverance, and blessing.*

I have never seen so many miracles in my life, and I believe this was because of the expectancy of the people. They trust the Lord with the little that they have and the Lord sees their



faith and honors it. Every place we went we were received so warmly it was like we had just walked into a giant family reunion. One of the places we went to we entered the church and were automatically swarmed by the people. We got out of the car and all you could see was a sea of people waiting so eagerly to see us. Everyone wanted to shake our hands and shouting, “Bwana Yesu Asifiwe!” which means praise Jesus our Lord in swahili. When we finally made our way into the church and began to speak, it was like we were talking to each and every single person in the crowd, they were locked in to our every word completely captivated by the things the Lord was saying through us. They were hungry to hear the word of the Lord and nothing was going to distract them from receiving.



*As a young man who has really just started preaching this really built up my confidence and allowed me to flow with whatever the Holy Spirit had put on my heart.*

In the beautiful gem called Tanzania, with its purity and innocence still intact there is no doubt in my mind that the Lord in the fullness of His presence will be there. Out of all the many churches I have been to few can compare to Tanzania. In the places I have been few treat God

with the same reverence and love that the people of Tanzania do. Honestly, when we had to leave I did not want to go I loved it there so much. This experience has truly been a life changing one that I will never forget. We are already making plans to return next year for a youth conference, I simply cannot get enough of it. If you ever have the opportunity I would say do not let a life changing experience like this pass you up. This trip has grown my faith so much and humbled me in so many ways. I will always be grateful for all that the Lord has given me after seeing what little the people of Tanzania had but yet how they still praised the Lord. Please pray for Tanzania the true heart of the church.



# Report on 2018 Tanzanian Mission Trip

By Margaret Hesford



Michael and I were blessed to be a part of the 2018 Anglican Mission International mission trip to the Biharamulo and Lweru dioceses in Tanzania, along with Fr. Bob Kelley and Tyler, from Three Streams Mission, in South Carolina, and Thomas (Bishop Kevin's son) and his friend, Terrell, both 18, from Tampa. Early on, it was clear that Tyler (much younger than Bob, Michael or me) was a much better "fit" with Thomas and Terrell (Bishop Kevin accompanied the younger group most of the time), so we ministered in 2 groups of 3. We began in Biharamulo diocese, home of Bishop Vithalis Yusuph, on Sunday, June 24.



Michael, Bob, and I went to Katoke parish, where we joined the parish for worship and praise, and Fr. Bob preached there (with translation). After a great service, and praying for all of the congregation who wanted prayer (which seemed to be almost everyone, children included), we joined Pr. Grayson and his family for a delicious lunch in the vicarage which is currently under construction. We all met back at our

Biharamulo hotel later that day, and were able to rest for a while, before dinner at the hotel. The first day, we had chicken for dinner (often quite tough), so the next and subsequent days, we had whole fried talapia, which were excellent.

On Monday, Michael, Bob and I set off with Diocesan Secretary Stanley to Nyakanazi parish, where, as in every parish, the pastor welcomed us into his modest home to share tea and a late breakfast (we had already eaten, but the hospitality was extraordinary, considering the so very limited resources of the people). In the church, there were pastors and evangelists who had traveled many miles for the teaching and ministry (some evangelists had not had any specific courses of training). Fr. Bob taught on the Holy Eucharist, I taught on worship and prayer (including having those present pray in groups for each other), and Michael taught on listening to God. After lunch, there was more teaching on the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit, and then prayer and ministry for each one (they all came forward), followed by the pastors and evangelists praying for us. We concluded with a wonderful group picture. On Tuesday, we went to Runazi parish, and were again welcomed into the pastor's home for tea and breakfast, and once again, in the church, there were pastors and evangelists who had traveled many miles for the teaching and ministry. The teaching was like in Nyakanazi parish, and was as gratefully received, with interesting questions from those present, in both parishes. We concluded our Biharamulo teaching and ministry time on Wednesday in

the cathedral, with the same format as before - tea and breakfast, then teaching and ministry. The only difference was when the attendees gathered around us to pray for us and lay on hands. One of the lady evangelists began to sing (if you've been to Africa, you know about the spontaneous & beautifully harmonious singing), and the others joined in, lifting the worship to a



height I can't even describe, but it brought me to my knees in tears. On Wednesday evening, we all drove to Lweru diocese, and joined Bishop Godfrey, his wife, Lorna, and their son and daughter for a delicious dinner. The next morning, Michael went with Bishop Godfrey to the



secondary school, to give assistance with their computers, while the rest of us went to Biirabo parish, stopping on the way to pick up our interpreter, a Bible college professor. Bob opened up with his teaching, and then the "young ones" did teaching and a skit on the lost sheep, and how Jesus searches for each one. Thereafter, they took the young people outside for games and ministry, while I taught on prayer,



and again had the people pray for each other in groups, a very meaningful time. At that point, Bishop Godfrey and Michael joined us, and, from there, we went to Itongo parish, where we ministered in the same way.

Friday was the most special day for the "older" team. Bishop Godfrey had told us that we were going to Omubweya, a very poor parish some 100 kilometers from his house, and literally in the middle of nowhere. In the extreme poverty of that parish we found the same wonderful



Tanzanian welcome, and tea and food like before, but Bishop Godfrey told us that we were being offered food (like chicken) that they wouldn't eat again for many months. The small church was packed to the doors, and, outside, under six large blue tarpaulin sheets, we found very many people, including children, and the people just kept coming - 300-400 in all. Since there were so many children, after his usual initial teaching, Fr. Bob acted out the lead up to the Crucifixion and the Crucifixion itself. The people didn't look too sure at first, but then Bishop Godfrey joined in, and they really began to understand. Suddenly, Bishop Godfrey alerted us that he had discerned that people were ready to accept Christ, so he invited them to come forward, and more than 30 did

so. Fr. Bob, translated by Bishop Godfrey, led the people in a prayer of repentance, and there was much rejoicing - I was on my knees praying in tears. This was followed by wonderful worship, and then my teaching on prayer and the people praying for each other, which they did with such power and commitment. As the time for us to pray for those present approached, it became clear that Satan was not about to go quietly, and began sending demons - so many people asked us to cast out demons, and we did (including a young man oppressed via cerebral malaria after his Muslim mother turned to Christ) - and the demons were banished! Once again, we concluded with the people praying for us, with great power and joy.

On Saturday, we travelled to Trinity church in Bukoba, where the Vicar General of the Diocese welcomed us, along with retired bishop Jackton, told us all about his church (the people had prepared a presentation



for us, which we sadly missed due to arriving late), and showed us around the new building work on the church, then he and his wife served us all a wonderful lunch. From there, Diocesan Secretary Canon Josias

directed the vehicles to a special stop for me (to a souvenir shop in a Lutheran hotel complex, where I could buy African drums to take home), and others in the group were also able to buy souvenirs. After that, we drove to Lake Victoria (Michael had asked to see more of it, while working at the secondary school, and Bishop Godfrey hadn't forgotten), where we were able to talk on the beach, and even paddle in the lake water. We continued to Biharamulo, where we returned to our hotel, ready for the anniversary of Bishop Vithalis's consecration the following day, which was a great celebration. After breakfast on Monday morning, we set off for Mwanza. Bishop Kevin was staying at a hotel there, and invited us all for dinner. Thereafter, Michael, Bob, Tyler and I were driven to Mwanza airport, for the first stage of our journey back to the United States.

I cannot conclude without mentioning someone who is both a client of mine and a dear friend, whom I know won't want to be mentioned by name. He and his family manufacture and distribute fragrances, and he gave me several last year, to take to Kagera diocese. This year, he gave me many more, and I was able to give those - men's fragrances to pastors/sons and women's fragrances to wives/daughters - in every parish and church which we visited. I wish I could have photographed the huge smiles from those who received his gifts, but I will never forget them.





# MINISTRY ON THE MOVE in ZANZIBAR

## Christ Church Cathedral and The Society

By Bishop Kevin

**For centuries Zanzibar was the fulcrum of political and economic power in East Africa as well as the site of the region's most notorious slave market.**

Slaves captured on the mainland were brought to Zanzibar in chains to be sold



in the city's slave market, often enduring horrific hardship on their journey. It is because the island was so central to the slave trade that it played such an important role in the abolition of slavery, not just in Africa but worldwide.



The market was closed on the orders of the sultan in 1873, and in 1879 an Anglican cathedral was constructed at the site. The cathedral is thus a symbol of emancipation from a tyranny that affected all the people of the region. It is of immense cultural, historic, and moral significance, not just in East Africa but internationally. The cathedral is notable

for its Saracenic design, which created a quintessentially Zanzibari eclecticism by fusing elements from Zanzibar and the Middle East with late Victorian Gothic and Arts and Crafts decorative motifs. The Altar of the Cathedral sits atop where the slave auction occurred and the slaves whipping post nearby at the steps



of the altar where slaves were lashed with a stinging branch. It's a moving sight, remembered by a white marble circle surrounded by red to symbolize the blood of the slaves.

It was actually here that David Livingstone lay in state after his death in 1873—his companions, former slaves freed by the missionary, buried his heart under a tree in Zambia before carrying his body over 1,000 miles to deliver him to those who would carry him to his final resting place in Westminster Abbey. At the front of the cathedral stands a crucifix carved from the wood of the tree that stands sentinel over Livingstone's heart.

Underneath three magnificent stained glass windows inside the cathedral, a brass plaque is fastened. It reads: "To the

Glory of GOD, and in memory of Livingstone and other explorers, men good and brave, who to advance knowledge, set free the slave, and hasten Christ's Kingdom in Africa, loved not their lives, even into death: this Window is dedicated by their friends."

Also in the cathedral precincts St. Monica's Hostel, which is adjacent to the cathedral and is a 20 room facility that provides the singular source of income to the Diocese for its clergy and



ministries. Lastly, in the precincts is the East Africa Slave Trade Exhibit. It is an amazing series of displays and informative panels on the slave trade from key persons involved on all aspects of the trade its impact on the church and Society in east Africa. Also here are the former slave chambers where slaves were imprisoned before sale.

While the Diocese is only part of the 1% of the Christian population its witness is significant and Bishop Michael and his 13 clergy are men of faith and good will whom this Society is blessed to be in fellowship with. The pictures are from the Society's visitation to Zanzibar July 3-4.



# Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism



Suffer little children to come unto me:  
for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.