

Musings from MATONGO

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Fun Facts:

— We have completed formal Swahili language training!

— Walter now has his course assignments for August:

- Biblical Hebrew
- Romans
- Old Testament Survey
- The Psalms

— Walter will teach classes to future pastors, deaconesses, and evangelists

— The East and West Africa areas are now combined in one region:

— This will provide us some exciting possibilities in the coming years!



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One Year Later...



Photo by Eric Lundsford, LCMS staff photographer.

One year ago, while visiting our son in Texas, we received “the phone call,” informing us that we were called by LCMS as missionaries to Africa. Specifically, the call was for Walter to teach at Neema Lutheran College, Matongo, as a theological educator.

You have been with us on this journey that called us from California to Kenya. And we thank our Lord ever day for you—for your prayers, your words of encouragement, and for the financial support that the Lord has moved you to provide. Truly you are an integral part of the Mission of God in this place.

We have been busy with Swahili language training. Now the time comes to work on course preparation for the coming semester. Although, as of this writing, we remain in Tanzania, and this location provides a wonderful setting for working on the courses, we are “chomping at the bit” to get to Kenya, to set up our new home, and to get to the work the Lord has called us to do.

One year later! What a year it has been! A year of making new friends and sharing about the Lord’s Mission! A Mission that includes you!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray that Magongo Seminary will be able to open in August for the regular semester—on time!
- Pray for the safe reopening of the borders of the countries of Africa. Many of our students come from countries other than Kenya.
- Pray for our entire Africa Team, as we bring the two areas together into one region.
- Pray for the leadership within LCMS and the world, that they may lead with wisdom and integrity.
- Pray for a deeper understanding of the Word of God, especially the Gospel of our Lord, that you may grow in your faith, in hope, and in love for one another and for all the peoples of the world.

Well the time of suspense is over. (As if this was all you were waiting for!) What was that funny plunger thing we showed you last month? It is nicknamed, an “Amish Plunger.” It is used to wash clothes without the use of electricity. We simply add water, some laundry soap, and the clothes. Then the plunger agitates the water and the clothes are cleaned. After a few exchanges of water, they are rinsed and ready for the clothes line. Yes, we use it every day!



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