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Dear LWM Partner:

Greetings in the name of our great God and Savior Christ Jesus! I hope this letter finds you well and happy in serving our Lord.

Life is enjoying a good rhythm and routine at the orphanage. Children are happy and healthy, and the staff are working together to keep the orphanage functioning smoothly. There are always new challenges, but we are able to meet them in a timely manner.

We had a successful trip to Tanzania in March traveling with Brothers Derek Jones, Tony Dovel, and Emery Surguy. This was the shorter of our biannual trips. We had a three-day Bible conference at the orphanage, dedicated a new church building in Uru, and had good times with the children and staff.

Our water system is working well. We had a lightning strike at the orphanage a few weeks ago and had to replace wiring in the orphanage and some electrical components for the water pump. We are considering a different system for irrigating crops so that we can utilize more of our land year round. We currently keep vegetable gardens year round, but a large section of land has been reserved to grow one crop of corn per year. This crop is planted during the rainy season so that no irrigation is needed. Changing weather affects the outcome and this year we were late planting corn but tried a crop of beans. Intermittent rains caused a failed bean harvest. With irrigation we hope to put this land into continual use and grow more than one crop per year.

The children are doing well in school. All are in private school except one. Nasrath came to us at 9 years old having never attended school. We had to put her in public school until she could learn some basics (such as reading) before enrolling her in private school where everything is taught in English. Soon she will be placed in private school with the other children. Two of our girls, Loveness and Zucra, are in boarding school. This is the practice for children in Tanzania. When they begin junior high they go to a boarding school selected by their parents. We visited the school where our girls attend and were pleased with what we saw. All subjects are taught in English and they are learning good character traits and social skills. I hope to visit the school on my September trip and address the student body.

Finances have been strained this year due to decreased giving. However, giving is rebounding and we are gaining new supporters, for which we thank God. It takes approximately \$8,000 per month to cover normal operating expenses. This does not include school fees which average \$10,000 per year. Also, many areas inside our main orphanage building need renovated, and we need a new chicken coop and workshop.

We want to send another shipment to the orphanage sometime this year if possible, but we need our charitable certificate first. This will cost about \$3,200 in fees (governmental and legal). This certificate is necessary not only to exempt us from duties and import taxes on shipments but also for us to obtain volunteer visas when we travel to the orphanage. In the past, we have entered the country on tourist visas with our suitcases full of things for the staff and children. The government is concerned that we are going to sell these things for profit and they want to charge us fees. The charitable certificate will show that we are a non-profit organization and that the gifts we bring are tax free.

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. (Mark 16:15)

We truly appreciate the regular giving from our donors and we are mindful of all that we spend. Your consistent giving to the general fund ensures that our twenty-six children are being fed, clothed, educated, loved, and spiritually fed every day; and fourteen full-time staff members are paid a monthly salary. Any funds received above operating expenses are used for property renovation.

Currently, Anitha, one of your female staff members is attending school to obtain a caregivers' certificate. When she finishes in November, we will send another. Certified staff are essential to renewing our Social Services certification. We are also working to train some of our male staff in areas related to the maintenance of our property.

We would like to send ministry updates at least quarterly, but increasing postage makes this difficult. We, therefore, ask that you please take the time to send your email address to landmarkworldmissions@gmail.com so we can email our reports instead of mailing them. If you don't have an email address we will continue to mail your updates. If you no longer wish to receive updates, then please notify us at the above email address and we will remove your name from our mailing list. We desire to be good stewards of the Lord's money.

Thank you for your continued financial support and prayers. They make a difference. To God be all glory, honor, and praise. Without Him we can do nothing.

Sincerely,



Daniel J. Woods
President of Operations



New church dedicated at Uru. LWM Children in front.



Students at the boarding school



The boys are given a small plot of ground to grow their own garden. All a part of the education process.



Enjoying grilled hot dogs in between showers. We could not have a campfire this trip due to the constant rains.



Inside new church at Uru



New church at Newland



Bible Conference



Tanzanian shirts gifted to the ministers from America



A time of rain but the grounds are beautiful!



The LWM Board in Tanzania
L-R: Joshua Makundi, Jonas Kadege, Derek Jones, Mike McMillan, Daniel Woods, Samweli Chacha, Tony Dovel



Groundskeeper Emanuel, his wife, and new baby



A new door in the cafeteria. This allows access to the dining hall from both sides of the building.