



January/February 2025

Dear Pastors and Faithful Friends,

We are thanking God for a wonderful 2025 thus far. He has been so faithful to us, and we are more than blessed already this year. We pray that God would continue to use you where you are and that your ministries would continue to grow and honor Him.

MINISTRY

I had a successful trip back from Tanzania back in December. God truly is working in the lives of our people. We have seen visitors almost every week, and a few even follow in baptism. Last week, February 23, there were 11 visitors, with 1 following in baptism. It is exciting to see new converts.

We took our Couples' Sunday School Class on a "Valentine Date" to the Indian Ocean. We had about 25 couples. It is not cultural to do a lot of "couple" things, but we are working with them on the Biblical principles that they should do as a couple to be fruitful not only in their lives but also as a testimony to others. Please continue to pray as they learn these things. It takes time to change cultural habits sometimes.

On the way home from that trip, the timing belt blew up on one of our buses, which also caused our engine to blow up. We are in the process of repairing it. Please pray that it can be done. It's a lot cheaper than buying a new vehicle.

I am also heading back to Tanzania on Thursday, February 27. I will be gone until April 30. Please pray for my trip, and pray that we can get a lot of things done while I'm there. One of our deacons donated some property for a new church plant. We have a bus route that brings folks from around his house on Sunday mornings, but it's far for a Wednesday night due to the shortened service. We would like to build a church out there so they can have a midweek service, maybe on Thursdays. So please pray that all of the funds and details will work out.

We do have a group of 13 people coming at the end of March. Please pray that they have a safe trip and that we can be a blessing to them.

HEALTH:

For a quick update on Martha's health, she finished radiation back in December. She had a little rough patch with being sick, but we are grateful that this is over. She had a CT scan earlier this month. They found a new blood clot in her heart, so they put her back on blood-thinner shots. We are praising God that the tumor has begun to shrink a little. We are on a three-month waiting period to see how much it will shrink and to figure out the next steps moving forward. Please continue to pray that in these waiting months, the tumor will completely disappear.

We truly love and appreciate all of you. We are so grateful for all of the cards, texts, and calls. Our family feels so loved. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or if we can be a help in any way.

For His glory,

Mshama, Martha, Esther, Benjamin, Rachel, & Sarah Kinyonga

