



Reaching The Deaf in Africa

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Subject: A VISION FOR A MINISTRY

Dear Praying Friends,

Proverbs 29:18a. *“Where there is no vision, the people perish.”*

Greetings from Bethel Baptist Deaf Church of Tanzania in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am pleased to share the blessings through this mission update for March to September 2018. God



has been doing a miraculous thing in our ministry through fishing for the deaf souls to the Kingdom of God through the gospel message. May this newsletter bring you joy into your heart. My wife Deborah and I are grateful for your continued support through both, prayer and financial giving toward our mission work. We believe that without the vision, the people perish, therefore without the vision of having a special ministry to the deaf can lead the deaf people to eternal lost in darkness. Fulfilling a great commission to the deaf is our abiding vision within the ministry.



Deaf Church Development



It is for sure that Satan doesn't like my work against him. He tried to kill me through a motorcycle accident while I was visiting church members. I rode a motorcycle and then another motorcycle suddenly turned to our side of the road and knocked me down. I got hurt slightly on both hands but thank God that Satan's plan has failed. Praise the Lord that no bones were broken and I just recovered from pain in my hands. Satan attempted to cause this incident since the

our Deaf church is growing and becoming stronger than ever. More new deaf and hearing people are coming to the church. The public have been now accepting the service offered by the deaf church when in the past, they had a negative view against deaf people for decades. Through the Word of God, the Deaf church has changed the public's wrong views on deaf people.

Our Sister Deaf Churches



Brother Samwel Mahena has been doing a great work leading a sister church in Ruvuma. The church organized a three day open air revival meeting and invited me to preach. The revival was fruitful with many people in attendance as you can see pictures from the left. This church in Ruvuma



has been granted a three acres of land through the local government by the Mbinga Urban Municipal Council

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where the church is located. They're praying for the Lord to provide funds to build a church building because the current room they use for worship is full as you can see the land in the picture. In another sister church in Singida, Brother Benjmain Daud is doing a



very wonderful work leading the church. His ministry is growing despite the fact that most of the deaf in Singida are facing economic hardship. You can see the deaf of Singida from the pictures on the right. Please pray for them as they need your help in both ways: spiritual and physical.

Church Building Project



The construction project is still in progress with painting, aluminum windows, and more. The ceiling work is complete. The project is expected to be finished soon. See the pictures of the current progress. Will you have a vision to invest in this building to make it filled with hundreds of deaf souls for Christ? This is the place where deaf will find rest for their souls through the preaching and spiritual services. The deaf need you.



Salvation and Baptism



The Bible says, "where there is no vision, the people perish". Praise the Lord for allowing the establishment of the deaf churches for the purpose of winning souls, both deaf and hearing, to the kingdom of God through the love of Jesus Christ on the cross. As I mentioned, I had the privilege to preach for revival in our sister church in Ruvuma. The revival was very fruitful where three (3) deaf souls and four (4) hearing people accepted Jesus Christ and were baptized in the river as you can see pictures on the left. Furthermore, about three (3) deaf and one (1) hearing who is a fiancé to one of our church members accepted Christ and were baptized in our main



deaf church in Dodoma. A total of 11 people was saved during the month of March to September 2018. Praise the Lord that your prayers and financial support is rescuing many souls from perishing because of sin and lack of vision of seeing eternal life in Jesus Christ.

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Youth Ministry



The Youth Ministry is growing so fast. This presents a new challenge for us as there are over 100 deaf students at Dodoma School for the Deaf. The van we use to provide transportation for them to church and school has only 22 seats while over 40 deaf youth and children love to attend church service every Sunday. They are not happy if they don't come to church. We're praying for the Lord to provide us with a big vehicle that holds 40 seats or more, so that we can serve the youth for Christ. We believe that our youth are the future servants of Christ, so it is good to invest in young lives.

Prayer request and Needs

- Pray for salvation. This is always our number one prayer.
- Pray for the church construction project to be completed soon. We need your support.
- Pray for our sister churches to keep growing and win lost souls to Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the challenges we face in the Youth and Children ministries.
- Pray for financial needs for operating costs in our growing Deaf Church.

Thank you very much for your faithful support.

Sincerely in Christ,

The Laurent Family: Frank, Deborah and Priscilla

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