



## Reaching The Deaf Tanzanians & Africans

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**Subject: Teaching Them to Observe All Things.**

Dear Praying Friends,

*Mathew 28:20 "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."*



Greetings in our Lord Jesus Christ, It seems that most people are extremely busy at this season of Christmas and New Year festivals. In such seasons people become overwhelmed with much shopping for home decoration materials and budgeting for holidays. These things have grasped my mind to think of what sort of decorations I am doing for the Lord at this busiest period. And I came out to be decorating the people by winning their souls and teaching them to observe all things as Christ commanded. Please pray for us as you read this newsletter.

### Baptism Service



Praise the Lord that eight (8) believers made second step of obedience and were baptized! The event took place in the Indian Ocean. They are now climbing a ladder to spiritual maturity. These baptized believers need your prayer as they struggle to abandon the worldliness in which they were affected before being saved.



### Salvation

Seven (7) people were accepted Jesus Christ as Savior during the month of October and November, Praise the Lord! The harvest is plenteous in the field; it is easy to win the souls but hard to discipline them. Nevertheless, we are commanded to observe all things which include winning souls and disciplining them to be an active Christians. This is a greatest burden we must obey. The biggest job in the world is soul winning.



### Please Do Not Sleep

Why I said that please do not sleep? Because Mormon missionaries are not sleeping, they are working so hard preaching their false gospel. Those two Mormon missionaries came to one of the advocacy organization for the deaf. One of the two missionaries are familiar with some American Sign Language and they were looking for a

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Tanzanian Sign Language dictionary. The Spirit of the Lord was moving that day because I was present when they visited the organization. They were told to come back next week because the dictionary book was not available until the following week. When they left the office, I told some staff and a director who is also one of our church folk that they are false missionaries and to be aware of them. We who know the true Gospel ought to work harder instead of allowing a false religion to outwork us.

### Youth and Children Ministry

As Christmas approaches, we pray that the Lord will enable us to use the many opportunities we have to share His joy with the deaf people here in Tanzania. There is a potential for our mission to expand a program for youth and children ministries. Last November I distributed a number of letters to the parents asking them to allow their children to come to Church. Some parents have responded that they would like their children to worship God but don't have money to provide for their transportation fare as most of them are living in poverty. A few young people and children have approached me to inform of their desire to come to church but they were stuck at home due to lack of money for bus fare. Therefore, I am asking you to pray as we really need a van or minibus to help us reach the children for Christ, the bus would enable us to pick up children at the main bus stations and carry other ministry activities. Please help us for Christ's sake.

### Education Shortage

It is unfortunate to many deaf children in Tanzania who have lacked an opportunity to be enrolled in school due to limited enrollment rate caused by the shortage of deaf schools in Tanzania. There were more than 100 deaf children who applied for enrollment at Buguruni School for the Deaf but only 20 out of 100 children were enrolled. Where will other children who have missed the opportunity go to obtain education? Many parents have cried for their children's education. Please pray for them and that God will open the door for our ministry to establish a Christian School for the Deaf in the future. This shall be another means of opening doors to the Gospel through educational program.



### 50<sup>th</sup> Independence Anniversary



On December 9, 2011 Tanzania marked 50<sup>th</sup> year of Independence from British since 1961. During the Golden Jubilee Independence Day; I went to the Uhuru Stadium where the celebration was being held, to search for deaf souls. The ceremony was scheduled to commence at 10:00 am, I and other believers got to the venue at 8:00 am hopefully to obtain seats; however, the stadium was already filled to capacity at 6:00 am! Our effort didn't succeed due to the massive crowd full of people which blocked spaces at the venue. Such an effort is not vain to God's eyes as we obeyed the great commandment to go.

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### **Missionary Support**

All things are possible with God and He is the provident of our daily bread. God can use people like you to help missionaries to fulfill Great Commission. At this point of writing I am asking you to pray for my missionary support to be met. A current support is very low, and inflation in Tanzania has increased significantly since my arrival; however, I trust in God for all of the needs.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May God bless you.

Yours servant in Christ,

Frank Laurent

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