

# NEWS FROM THE CLAUSING FAMILY

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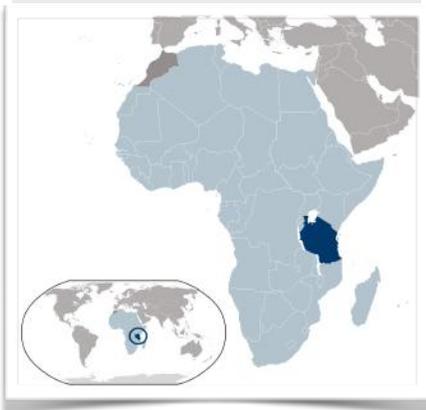
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The kids pose by the monument where the old Santa Fe Trail used to cross our farm in rural Kansas.

## Socially Distant

Since my last newsletter, chances are that the Clausing household has been strikingly similar to yours: we go out as little as possible, I work from home, meetings and social events are via Zoom or Facebook Live, and we are eagerly waiting for the time when things will start to open up again. The only significant change for us since last month is that we’ve relocated from Kansas to the St. Louis area in order to keep some essential medical appointments. In my five years of writing newsletters, this might be our slowest month of news ever!

### *Virtual Presentation: Your Participation is Invited*

In lieu of the personal visits I’ve had to cancel so far, I’ve created a 35-minute video that presents the essential information that I would have shared during church Bible-study hours. You can watch it here at any time: <https://vimeo.com/410705589>.



## Our Family

Anita and I were married on August 16, 1997 and have been blessed with nine children.

### *Back Row, Left to Right:*

- Anita (12.9.74)
- Eunice (6.1.06)
- Ernest (7.16.04)
- Eleanor (1.10.02)
- Emil (10.29.99), currently studying at Concordia University, Chicago
- Jonathan (8.20.75)

### *Front Row, Left to Right*

- Emmanuel (3.6.15)
- Elijah (7.3.13)
- Eileen (8.21.11)
- Eric (12.16.09)
- Ethan (5.8.08)

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During a normal church presentation I try to leave a few minutes at the end for questions and answers from the congregation, and I'd like to do something similar with this virtual presentation. After watching the video, if you have any questions, just send them to me in an email ([jonathan.clausing@lcms.org](mailto:jonathan.clausing@lcms.org)). I'll organize and address them either in next month's newsletter or in another video. COVID-19 isn't stopping our communication; it's just forcing us to be more creative in how we do it.

On that note, I'd also like to highlight our webpage at Mission Central (<https://missioncentral.us/clausing/>), whose link will be in the left column of this and future newsletters. There you'll find archived copies of our past newsletters as well as a link to provide financial support.

The peace of the risen Lord Jesus be with you during these difficult times. He who has conquered sin and death has the power also to guard and preserve us as He has promised.



As is common these days, we "attended" via livestream the wedding of Molly (Christensen) Knaus, our friend and former missionary co-worker in Kenya.