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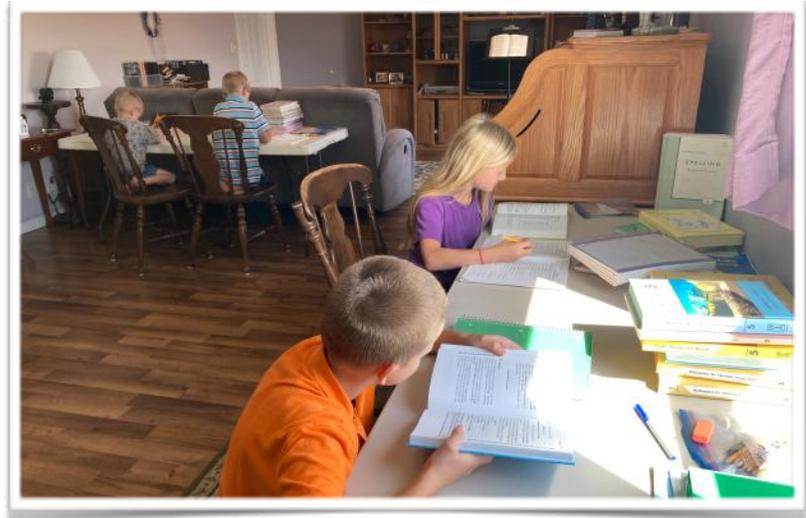
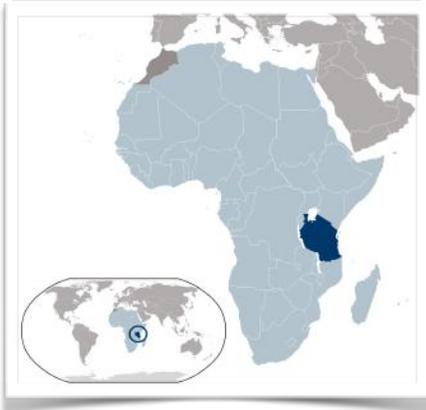
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Clausing Kids at Their School Work

One Obstacle Behind, Another Ahead

After months of waiting, all of our passports have finally been delivered, and my family is capable of traveling internationally again. We thank God for this small step forward. During the same week that the passports arrived, however, we also learned that the obstacle of receiving a new Tanzanian work permit remains as formidable as ever. My previous work permit has now expired, and I am not able to get an extension on it. Instead, I am in the process of applying for a new permit, and I am not permitted to do any church-related work in Tanzania until it is issued. The new application process is more complex than it was two years ago, so it looks like it will be a matter of at least a few more months before I receive one.

This has been hard news for us. We thought we'd be in the U.S. for a matter of weeks, and now it looks like it will be months. So, in the past two weeks we've all had to adjust our mindset and settle in for the longer haul. Anita has purchased new homeschool curricula to replace



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

Front Row, Left to Right

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

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the books waiting in our house in Tanzania, and she and the kids have begun a new semester that will likely be spent mostly in the U.S.

For my part, I've been able to schedule quite a few preaching engagements for the months ahead and am grateful for the opportunity at least to share the Word of God where He's put me for the time being. In lieu of stories from Tanzania, I've pasted below a sampling of what I've been doing in the U.S. As always, we continue to be grateful for your prayerful and financial support.

Interview: The Lutheran Heritage Foundation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UkPmkAeoOZk>

Sermon: Our Redeemer, Herington, KS (sermon begins at 18:23)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NQzZ7hh7Re8>

Sermon: Chapel of the Cross, St. Peters, MO

<https://chapelofthecrosslutheran.org/index.php/mm-resources/single-sermon-page?sermon=20200816>

Sermon: Faith, Warsaw, MO (sermon begins at 23:59)

<https://www.facebook.com/272329449496993/videos/284035479546103/>



Vijay Agakhan, son of Rev. Yakobo and Victoria Agakhan of Kahe, Tanzania, was born in August 2020. In my August 2019 newsletter, I had requested prayers for Pastor Yakobo's family after they suffered a tragic loss, and now it's my pleasure to request prayers of thanksgiving for this new gift of life from God in the Agakhan family.