### **SERVING THE LORD IN**

# Tanzania

# **NEWS FROM THE STEFFENSON FAMILY**



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Some of the forms Rev. Jason needs to fill out in order to have the proper documentation.

# EXPAT PAPERWORK

Filling out forms to get the proper documentation is an important part of being a missionary. The church here made a great push to get us our work, resident, and student visas. Now Rev. Jason is working on forms for identification and tax numbers and a drivers's license.



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# On the Way to School



Crossing a canal on the way to school.

Currently, we are in the process of figuring out how to live in a new country. We have had a lot of help from our friends in the Southeast of Lake Victoria Diocese of The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania. Much of our efforts this year will be figuring out how to live in a new country. We need to relearn many of the little

things that we already know how to do in the countries in which we grew up. We are figuring out how to get the boys set up for school, setting up a home, how to get food, how to pay bills, how to get around. Tanzanians have a different way of doing these things which fit with their location, culture, and history.



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Continued language acquisition.
- Continuing to get settled in a home to live and work.
- Pray for the angels of the Lord Jesus to guard us from the attacks of Satan.
- The smooth processing of our next documents (boys' visas NIDA, TIN, driver's license, passport stamps)

### **GIVE THANKS FOR:**

- Three full months in Tanzania.
- The progress we have made on getting settled.
- New friends.

# **PRAISE GOD FOR:**

- The many congregations and individuals who pray for us, encourage and support us
- The collaboration of the SELVD and the LCMS
- The opportunity to walk alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ in Tanzania

# **Steffenson Family Update**



Thanks be to our Lord Jesus! Since it takes awhile to get settled, I will probably have many newsletters this first year giving little snapshots into our daily life. This month's is "the walk to school." We have around a kilometer to walk the boys to school each day. The cattle and goats share the road with

pedestrians, motorcycles, and cars. Along the shorter way, there is a canal that needs crossed. When there is a heavy rain, we need to take another longer way, but since we live on a mountain, the water sometimes drains down our path. We got some good rain gear to keep dry!

Thank you for partnering with us in this work of the Lord among His people in Tanzania.

"The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore." Ps. 121:6

*In the peace of Christ Jesus,* 

Pastor Jason, Anna Marie, Johanes, and Immanuel Steffenson





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