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Himo & Moshi, Tanzania Africa

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<u>Tidbits From Tanzania</u>: Tanzania is the third largest producer of gold in Africa

Ruaha National Park, which is Tanzania's largest is home to its largest elephant population

About one third of the country does not have access to clean drinking water (Maji Safi)

> Nearly 40% of the population lives in extreme poverty

More than 80% of the population lives in rural

areas



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LCMS Continuing Education: The Africa Team in Kigali, Rwanda October 27-29, 2023



Twice a year LCMS **Missionaries from every** region around the world, attend Continuing **Education. The African** Team gathered this week in Kigali, Rwanda. Rev. Dr. Will Schumacher, a former LCMS Missionary in Botswana presented a three day seminar on Missiology. Missiology is the study of the Christian mission history and its methodology. Based on the "Great Commission" from Matthew 28:16-20, it follows God's Mission through history. We followed Rev. Schumacher as he presented several paradigms (a pattern or model) of the "Great **Commission**" throughout history. He stated that the Church is the "Goal" of Mission, and the only real

mission work is the Church "doing Church". The expansion of the one legitimate Church is the task of missions, and only officially authorized agents are really "Missionaries". On Oct. 29th, Reformation Sunday, we also attended church with Rev. Shauen Trump serving as Liturgist, and Rev. Samuel Fuhrmann preaching the sermon. They are both pictured below. Rev. Trump is the head of the entire Africa Team. We celebrated the

Reformation with Divine Service Three with Holy Communion. What a glorious feeling as we opened the service by singing Luther's "A Mighty Fortress is our God" TGBATG!

Uchira Parish-LCEA (Lutheran Church East Africa)

Uchira Parish, is the church dedicated to the training of the students who are enrolled at **St. Peter Seminary in** Himo. Each student is under the guidance of **Rev. Heroic Moses** Mkwizu, Pastor at Uchira Parish. During their years at the Seminary, they are taught all aspects of how to serve as a **Parish Pastor. In the** pictures seen here L-R, see Pastor Mkwizu preparing to give the Benediction. Next you see the St. Peter Choir, which includes Mary and her sister Miriam who do the cooking at the Seminary. Bottom right is the Uchira **Parish Church Choir.** To their left is Rev. Edwin Mwangomale, a current student at St. Peter preaching God's Inerrant Word. Uchira Parish is also the church where Rev. **Clausing and his** family and I attend worship. The gifts on the Altar are from the last harvest.TGBATG!









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May God continue to bless each of you daily with His Grace, Mercy and Peace. I am thankful for your continued prayers, that I remain healthy while I serve Him here in Tanzania. I thank God for the many congregations and individuals who pray for me, encourage me and support me.

> Utukufu Wote Uwe Kwa Mungu (To God Be All The Glory!) From God's Inerrant Word: John 12:26, Isaiah 6:8

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