



the Emmanuel Connection

August 2018

Focus on: The VanWoerden Girls

Living in Tanzania since 2015 the VanWoerden girls get to experience the joys and challenges of life in another country. They spend their days homeschooling in our little refurbished shed and playing, creating, and exploring our garden and Iringa area with friends. We are currently looking for a teacher to come help teach school.

See tinyurl.com/ycnmg47v for more information about this position.



Lara, 14

Lara is very creative, she is always building or making something. She is a fantastic artist, painting and drawing beautiful pictures. She likes playing sports, especially football, and being with friends.



Talia, 12

Talia is always helping out around the house. She likes to bake, cook and be outside. She likes to build things, loves to swim and bike. She has a great sense of humour and keeps our family laughing.



Ezera, 11

Ezera is a happy, quiet girl who loves animals. She likes to draw and makes wonderful metal art work, repurposing any little scrap of metal she finds. She is full of compassion and kindness.



Aniya, 7

Aniya is full of life and energy. She gives everything her 100%. She loves doing puzzles and playing games. She likes to ride her bike, play with friends, dance and swim. She also likes doctoring people.



Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 Tanzania:** The Mwanza team are concluding a Church and Transformation seminar at a PAG Bible College. Between them, they are covering teaching on Biblical foundation for Mission, Entrepreneurship, Conservation Agriculture, Health and Efficient Cooking.
- 2 Canada:** Laura Kelly is still waiting for her work permit. Pray for the Tanzanian government to review Laura's work permit soon and that she could receive all the necessary paperwork as soon as possible to be able to join the team in Mwanza.
- 3 Uganda:** This month Ceasar intends to complete the last four Jesus Film showings, but lately we've had some opposition to the showing of the film. Two films shows were interrupted by rain; one film show was stopped partway by the local authorities because they were worried about reports of a group of criminals moving in the area; and twice in the past month we've had a school refuse to let us show the film on their football field because of denominational differences. Please pray that these final shows will go forward without interruption, and that we will have favour with local authorities.
- 4 Philippines:** Our Awana Program takes place every Saturday. Please pray for all those who lead and attend.
- 5 South Africa:** Praise the Lord - we have officially opened the third Safe House. Florida, the new house mother, has completed her training. Pray that Florida would be a wonderful mentor, foster mother and Godly example for the children when they are referred in the next days or weeks.
- 6 Tanzania:** Pray for the Health Project on Kome Island and for the Ewing family and Gertrude as they work with the groups there.
- 7 Brazil:** Praise God for the two indigenous conferences for women held by the Terena Church in July. Women from a number of other ethnic groups participated. We're blessed and encouraged.
- 8 Tanzania:** The Beekeeping groups in Mwanza have done well harvesting honey! Give thanks with us that we are now in the next phase of the project with honey bottled and labelled to sell. Pray for a central place to process future honey and for good business selling the honey. We also want to pray in faith for an opportunity to possibly establish a Honey Shop Café in town!

- 9 USA:** Ken and Ruth Copsey are on a combined sabbatical and visitation with family members and US and Canadian donors.
- 10 Philippines:** We are continuing our efforts for fundraising for our scholarship project during the month of August.
- 11 Malawi:** The Bimbi Irrigation scheme is underway. We thank God for the funds that have been coming in to get the scheme up and running.
- 12 Brazil:** Last month's visit to Januária by Fred and Tarcísio was very good. Pray for the EI Brazil plans to work in Januária.
- 13 Malawi:** The EI Malawi Advisory Council is meeting this month. Please pray that God will give wisdom in our discussions.
- 14 Tanzania:** Tim is travelling to Dodoma for the TAG General Assembly from 14 to 17 August. Pray for good connections with people from across the country as we seek to expand our work with this church nationally.
- 15 Haiti:** Pray about a new principal in OEBC school in Cabaret.
- 16 Tanzania:** The Ewings appreciate prayers that they would finish up well in August as they prepare for their trip to the UK during September and October. Particularly that they would get everything in place for Gertrude to continue working on the health project, with minimal support from them while they are overseas.
- 17 Haiti:** Please pray for ongoing leadership transition and restructuring of EI in Haiti.
- 18 Philippines:** Today there will be a handover ceremony of 33 houses in Marawi. The houses will be awarded to 33 Muslim evacuees. Please pray for this event and for the ongoing livelihood projects for the youth in Marawi.
- 19 Tanzania:** Joel, Samantha, Hephzibah and Ethan return from their time in the US. Please pray for safe and easy travels and pray for them as they settle back into life in Mwanza.
- 20 Haiti:** OEBC Mission is seeking two pastors. One pastor is for the Cabaret church, the largest church with 500 members.
- 21 Canada:** We are working on our EIC 2018 Christmas Catalogue – please pray for the team to bring together the projects and a great Christmas fundraising season.
- 22 United Kingdom:** We have submitted a funding application for the Acholi Girls Fairer Future project to the Women's World Day of Prayer. They will consider this in September.

- 23 South Africa:** Running a third Safe House has increased our expenses to above our current income. Pray that our pledges for operating the homes would come through.
- 24 Haiti:** We are undertaking a new church plant and would appreciate your prayers.
- 25 Malawi:** We thank God for our staff and for their dedication and their witness in the communities where they work. We thank God for their safety on the road and their impact in the communities.
- 26 Brazil:** Continue to pray for the Águas Formosas Day Care Center in their efforts to get funds from the Township.
- 27 Uganda:** Concy, our Child Discipleship field officer, will be attending a 9 day training with Child Evangelism Fellowship from August 27th to September 4th. Please pray that she will receive skills, ideas, and knowledge which will help her in her work, and that she will be able to pass what she has learned to the Sunday School teachers we are working with.
- 28 Canada:** Our annual Gala will be held on October 27, 2018. The focus will be on Maternal Health. Pray for the work being done as we begin to promote the event.
- 29 Malawi:** EBCM have their Annual General Meeting (AGM) from August 29-31. Pray for the management team as they prepare for the discussions and time together with members from all the EBCM churches. One of the discussion points will be a review of their constitution. Pray for God's wisdom for our partners.
- 30 Tanzania:** Conservation Agriculture training will begin again in Mwanza for a new season. Pray for Peter who is heading this up, working with John and Elisha and for good village groups to be formed.
- 31 United Kingdom:** Sue Fallon is leaving today to travel to the Philippines to visit the staff and projects there.