



# the Emmanuel Connection

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## Focus on: Águas Formosas PROPAC Day Care Center, Brazil



The Águas Formosas PROPAC Day Care Center was started 12 years ago to help girls, victims of abuse. With God's grace, it grew to help vulnerable 6 to 12 year old children and their families to have a place of peace, a refuge in the midst of violence and hopelessness.

It's amazing to hear the testimony of a number of young adults that had their lives changed when they heard about God's love and experienced it attending the classes at PROPAC. The children have tutoring classes and special activities such as Arts, Chess, Sports and Music. PROPAC also provides a nutritious meal for the children. It offers Sewing Classes for mothers and teenagers, to give them the opportunity of counselling and provide a chance of income generation.

It is a real struggle for PROPAC to find the needed resources to continue to help poor children and their families, but God has been faithful to them. We praise Him for that and for His loving and merciful hands on the lives of so many people.



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## Please keep these concerns in your daily prayers...

- 1 International:** The International Board is meeting today. Please pray for good Skype connections and a fruitful meeting.  
**South Africa:** Please continue to pray for visas that we are renewing this month. Don has managed to arrange a meeting with a Home Affairs official and will be meeting with them this week. Pray for a good outcome and that we will either receive our long-awaited residency or a 3 year visa.
- 2 Tanzania:** The VanWoerdens' work and residence permits expire 16 November so they have to be out of the country and they are planning to travel to Malawi; pray for safe travels, an enjoyable holiday, and for visas to be issued.
- 3 United States of America:** Please pray for El-Philippines missionary Ken Copsey as he just finished having surgery on both of his eyes at a clinic in Texas. Both surgeries went well. We're praying his eyes heal up quickly without infection and that his new eye prescription gives him clearer vision.  
**Canada:** Bernard and Philip, of the PROMISE team who attended the EIC Gala, return to Malawi today.
- 4 International:** We still need Board members. There are several people who are currently praying about joining our Board. Pray for God's guidance for them as we want His choice of people on our EI Board.
- 5 Tanzania:** Today is the monthly meeting for the Ngudu Beekeepers group. Please pray for this group and the group in Malya and Kayenze as they move forward and begin to integrate tree planting. Pray for a place to be found for a Mwanza Honey Centre.
- 6 Uganda:** Today and tomorrow we will be interviewing for the position of bookkeeper, to help the work of our office. Please pray for wisdom as we make our final decision!  
**Brazil:** Fred Silva participated in the Conference for Indigenous Women at the Ofaié area. It was great to see the involvement of Ofaié and Guarani indigenous women, together with a number of Terena women who traveled 400 km to help at the Conference. Let's praise God for that precious time they had.
- 7 United Kingdom:** The EIUK office is hosting a Coffee Morning today to raise awareness of and funds for our work. It will be held from 10am till 2pm in the reception area of Forum House. Please pray that there will be a good turnout.
- 8 South Africa:** After a couple of burglaries on our property in the past month we've installed new security measures including better outdoor lighting and a garage alarm. Pray that our family will continue to be safe and that the security measures will be effective.  
**Malawi:** We have approval of a big USAID Program. Let's thank God that in the next five years, we will be able to contribute towards the service of hundreds of thousands of people through this big program.

- 9 United States of America:** New EIM Chairman Mark Abbott's mother-in-law Joanne has been in and out of the hospital over the past couple months and requires 24/7 care, which Mark and his wife Sherry are now providing at their home. Sherry's niece Rachel has moved in to help with Joanne's care. Please pray that Joanne's health will improve and for stamina for Sherry and Rachel.
- Tanzania:** The "Nguvu na Hadhi" girls health project in Igombe, Mwanza begins today! Please pray it will be a good first session with the fifty girls!
- 10 Philippines:** Edna Santos needs to balance the books and hand it over to the auditors so that we can have an audit report in time for November 20<sup>th</sup>, our annual meeting!
- 11 Tanzania:** We are seeking funding for the Health Project on Kome Island. Please pray this could be found for the next year of the project.
- 12 Philippines:** Pastor Alex Pacis is making his way to the Philippines today. Hopefully he can bring Rosie with him. There are fundraising concerts and meetings to be scheduled. Please pray that he will be able to accomplish what his coming.
- 13 Tanzania:** Rachel is travelling to Dar es Salaam where she will be working with the women's group and returning on Sunday. Please pray especially for the Artisan Fair on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> as they sell products from the three women's groups.
- 14 Uganda:** Please pray for wisdom as we begin to compile our 2020 work plans and budgets. It is a busy time, as we also work to finish the fieldwork for this year.
- 15 Tanzania:** The latrine project on Kome Island is moving forward! Please pray for community members to be encouraged to make improvements to their home toilets.
- 16 Brazil:** El Brazil is involved in installing photovoltaic energy at the Terena Bible School. This will reduce the electricity bill to a minimum. That bill is one of their main concerns. Pray for a great involvement from churches and people to help fund it and pray for wisdom and ability of the ones who will install it, so there will be no hassles.
- International:** Pray for the next phase of our website development and a survey that we hope to do soon to take the pulse of our organization, in a manner of speaking!
- 17 Tanzania:** The new Entrepreneurship group in Lugeye has started to plant cabbage. Please pray for them and another group in Nyanguge which has a lot of potential but is facing many challenges.
- 18 Tanzania:** At Ndolela Primary School we are building the last rainwater harvesting tank and installing the slab for the toilets to begin construction of the superstructure so we are on schedule. Pray for the building team, as well as the student training on sanitation and hygiene and formation of the school WatSan committee.
- 19 Philippines:** Ken and Ruth Copsey are travelling back to the Philippines today. It will be a long journey and they'll appreciate your prayers.
- United Kingdom:** Sue is attending an International HR Forum meeting at Global Connections today.

- 20 Tanzania:** Pastor Amon, a pastor who helps with many EI Mwanza projects is suffering in hospital with hernia issues again. Please pray for healing.
- Haiti:** Continue to pray for the EI projects and staff in Haiti.
- 21 South Africa:** Praise God for many new members and visitors to Living Hope Bible Church. Our new venue has proved to be quite strategic and has drawn people from the community that are hungry for gospel-centred and bible-based teaching and preaching.
- 22 Tanzania:** The Mkulula Health Centre is getting a roof! This is an answer to prayer as it's the next place for us to install rainwater harvesting after Ndolea and water is the most scarce of all three locations; pray the roof will be installed in good time for us to move our crew to Mkulula.
- 23 Tanzania:** In November we are training our IMARIKA groups in conservation agriculture and preparing demonstration plots; pray that farmers will get the importance of soil conservation and for timely and quality preparation for the rainy season.
- 24 Philippines:** Pastor Alex Pantua is working with the farmers at Cabagan Isabela to collect some money loaned to the farmers. Pray for them, and that the weather will be conducive to harvesting, drying and selling the maize.
- 25 Brazil:** Sérgio Souza, a former EI Brazil missionary to the Terena Church, needs us to cover him in prayer. He has struggled with depression in the last months. Pray that the medication will work ok and he seeks strength in the Lord.
- 26 Tanzania:** Rachel is travelling to Uganda by bus to visit long-time friends and attend a wedding of another friend! Please pray for safe travels! Also pray for Amisadai travelling this week with the school to Moshi for a Sports tournament.
- Canada:** The auditor will be in the office today.
- 27 United States of America:** EI Mission is still looking for additional board members. We ask the Lord to provide a candidate that would have a passion for EI's mission and be a great addition to the board.
- 28 Tanzania:** Today is the EI Tanzania Board meeting. Please pray for us as we discuss the work here and the way ahead.
- 29 Tanzania:** Laura and Theopister are beginning discussions with schools in Igombe about how we can partner for Phase 2 of the girls health project. Please pray for these meetings and for the future of this project!
- 30 Uganda:** At the end of October we conducted an evaluation of the girls' hygiene project, to measure the impact of our trainings and the distributing of washable sanitary pads. This month we are finishing the data entry and analysis. Please pray that this will help us as we fund raise and plan for 2020 and beyond!
- 31 South Africa:** Pray for the Sayers family as we prepare for a potential February 2020 furlough to Canada. We are looking forward to reconnecting with friends and family and raising new support for the Safe House ministry while we are there.