## Tanzanian Christian Church Under Persecution



We thank God that the church in (local town), Tanzania led by FGA Pastor Daniel is growing spiritually and in number, but a battle is raging upon the Kingdom of God. Pastor writes, "We are appealing for prayers due to the fabrication and lies made on Christians just to trap and kill every Bishop, pastor, padre, evangelists and any active preachers of the Word of God...Last time, two women pretended that they found the three pieces (of their religious books) and curried them to their mother Mosque where all lamented and were ready to come and burn our church building and if possible kill me... On Sunday in the morning, the Padre in (local town) was shot to death with unknown people while he was going to church in the morning." The violence has also exacerbated the poverty facing many Tanzanians:"... hardly many can achieve their complete meals a day. Farming works are reducing due to fear."

Yet while the radical forces of the enemy rage against the people of God, the blessings of the Lord are raining down upon His work according to Pastor Daniel: "There is an amazing conversion of people coming to Christ and God is powerfully working miracles . . . Last week I baptized one who received Christ . . . who was a long time Islam. I had to baptize him unpronounced." [Baptism conducted in secret for protection from persecution.]

Pastor Daniel concluded his email describing the state of the Church in Tanzania with a final plea: "Please, pray for us!"

May we who enjoy the freedom to worship here in the United States of America join our fervent prayers with our brothers and sisters overseas who literally face death for the cause of Christ!

I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ~ Matthew 16:18

## My Timothy.... From Chairman Strauser

It was last quarter that by way of our newsletter, the Timothy Project was introduced. I encouraged all FG ministers and pastors to prayerfully seek the Lord for direction in selecting and beginning to groom a Timothy in the work of the Lord.

Over the past few weeks, here within my personal ministry, the Lord has laid upon my heart, three persons that I am to work closely with in growing new Timothy's. One is a potential pulpit minister and educator, another is a prayer warrior and musician, and another is a dedicated youth leader.

I trust that you also have been in prayer and looking to begin to expand your ministry in this direction. The Word of the Lord reminds us with the Apostle Paul's word to the Philippians (2:19-22)..... "I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon.... I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare... But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with a father, he has served with me in the work of the gospel"

In the upcoming weeks, my office will be corresponding with all ministers and pastors with respect to the Timothy Project. Let us believe together that the Lord will provide one or more Timothy's to each of us.....to send forth into the work of the gospel. Pastor Simeon

## Nearly \$10,000 Raised For Ministry

As an FG affiliate ministry, the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield "exists to demonstrate the love of Christ". The ministry teaches and supports prevention, intervention and restoration by encouraging sexual integrity, empowering life affirming decision and providing opportunities for healing. In February, 18 new volunteers received training to serve this pro-life ministry. Also, the first annual Dessert Reception Fundraiser produced just under \$10,000 in donations and monthly pledges for the Pregnancy Help Center!

Ruth Nester, a volunteer with PHC states, "As a member of God's family it is not a question of IF you are called to a field of ministry but WHERE you are called to minister".

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