

**SAMARITAN VILLAGE ORPHANAGE  
AND MEDICAL CLINIC**

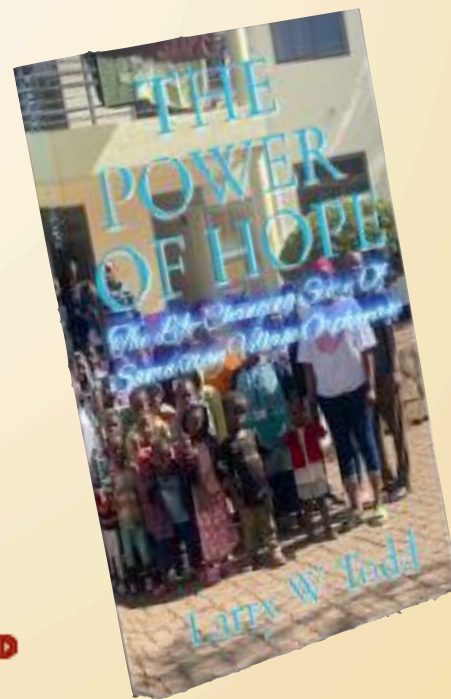
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**RESCUING AND PROVIDING A HOME FOR ORPHANED  
ABANDONED AND TRAFFICKED CHILDREN**



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*Samaritan Village Orphanage has been recognized by the  
Tanzanian Government and President Samia Suluhu Hassan  
as the Most Outstanding Orphanage in Tanzania!*

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



On our recent trip to the orphanage we found out Samaritan Village was named the most outstanding orphanage in the entire country of Tanzania! What an incredible honor and a tribute to the wonderful staff, the faithful volunteers and generous donors who have kept the vision alive all these years to rescue and provide a home to abandoned, orphaned and trafficked children!

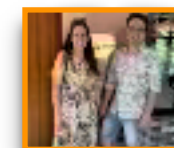
As I spoke with Josephat and two of the members of the Arusha Board of Directors we all agreed all the glory goes to God. There is absolutely no way a small group of Christ Followers in a small California town inspired by a wonderful Tanzanian woman could begin something that would become what Samaritan Village Orphanage is today. . . unless God had been at the center of everything.

The older children shared with me the same feeling. Anna, Moses, Simon and Safina all came as babies and are now grown. Anna is an attorney, Moses is a missionary to the Maasai people, Simon is a doctor and Safina is earning her master's degree in Leadership and Government. (We asked Safina if she would remember us when she becomes the president of Tanzania and she assured us she would.)

These young adults know their stories as well as the stories of every one of their brothers and sisters at the orphanage. And they know it is only by the grace of God that they've been able to overcome their past and live a

meaningful life filled with hope through a relationship with Christ. Each of their stories have become testimonies of the goodness of God and what God has done and is still doing at Samaritan Village is now being recognized in a big way.

**Nursery SCHOOL OPENS!**



The timing could not have been better for our team as we visited over New Years. The leaders of the NGO who are responsible for the new nursery school were there for the Grand Opening of the school. They are all absolutely wonderful people and a shining example of those who "see a need and meet it".

Sven and his wife Kara along with others from their native Germany visited the orphanage in 2017. She is a professor at a teaching college for preschool teachers. As soon as they returned home, they decided to do whatever it took to build a nursery school for the children at the orphanage as well as the children of the community.

They formed an NGO and raised the money to purchase the land, build the building and finance the school. The result is amazing! The three room school is beautiful!

We participated in the grand opening and the school opened the next day. There are six children from Samaritan and twenty from the village. The children's uniforms were all custom made by a ministry that teaches widows and single mothers how to sew.



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**Take a Look Inside...**



Samaritan Village Named the Most Outstanding Orphanage in Tanzania!



A New Child Arrives During our Volunteers' Visit



Report on the Christmas Celebration and Annual Field Trips



News about our own Dr. Simon Samaritan



Updates and Prayer Requests

**Who We Are...**

Our Mission: Samaritan Village is a private, non-profit organization in the US and a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in Tanzania. The orphanage was established and is run by volunteers with the purpose of to developing, expanding and maintaining a Christian orphanage to care for abandoned, orphaned and trafficked children.

Our Goal is to find family who to adopt the new child. For those children who are not adopted, Samaritan Village provides a safe and stable Christian home environment with lots of mamas and care givers, even more brothers and sisters and a father named Josephat (Our Director).

Our Medical Clinic: We opened a 24/7 Medical Clinic in 2019. The clinic is similar to an Urgent Care facility. The clinic is staffed with doctors, nurses, midwives a lab director and a pharmacist. The cost is free for the children and is offered at no cost to low cost for members of the community. In addition to routine medical care, the clinic offers prenatal and postnatal care as well as labor and delivery.

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### Volunteer Team from Yuba City



Our team of seven *old* adults and five *young* adults from Yuba City visited the orphanage from December 27th - January 9th. It was a truly amazing adventure! Like every trip, the main purpose in going was to spend time with the children. The pictures can only show so much of how incredible it was to get to know the amazing kids at Samaritan Village.

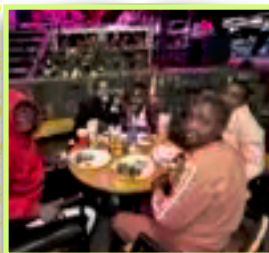
All the children but two were at the orphanage while we were there. The two who were not able to be home were Esther, who was just beginning her student teaching and Jackson who was still at college where he's studying to be an accountant.

In addition to building new relationships with the children, we were involved in several work projects. The main project was to clear the land for a new dining area. The new outdoor covered area is on the land behind the three-story dorm/medical clinic and the current nursery/dining room and kitchen. There will also be an extension of the walkway leading across the entire orphanage grounds down to this new area.



In addition, the team also helped build an awning over the kitchen prep area and helped with the final touches on the new nursery school grounds.

One of the highlights of the time we were there has become a new tradition. The team takes the children out to a restaurant for dinner. We go three different nights with three different groups of children according to their age.



Josephat said it's a highlight of



the year for the children! And it was for the team as well.

We're already planning a trip for the end of this year. Save the dates and go with us. **December 28, 2025 - January 10, 2026**

### Update on the Hospital

The land for the new hospital is ready to go, but while we wait to raise the funds Josephat is using the land to grow corn. We are also purchasing another plot of land to be used as a parking lot for patients. It's on the corner across from the hospital. All land transfers in Tanzania must be done through an attorney and it can be very expensive. However, we just happen to have our own attorney. Anna, who was the first orphan to arrive and grow up at the orphanage is coming to represent Samaritan Village!



Our fund raising campaign will begin in the next couple of months culminating in a big event this fall. **Check out the website for more information.**

### Update on the New Book

We were hoping to have the new book about Samaritan Village released in May, but it looks like it will be available this fall in conjunction with the hospital fundraiser.

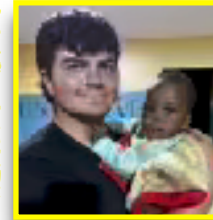


The book is meant to be more than a history book. It's a transformational book that will inspire readers with the stories of these once abandoned children and how God has redeemed their past and given them HOPE for the future. And He can do this for any of us!

### Prayer Requests

- Praise Report: Thanks to everyone who prayed for "(small) Esther" who was diagnosed with blood cancer. She has completed her treatments and is doing well.
- Please continue to pray for the new nursery school.
- Please continue to pray for wisdom as we raise the money for the new hospital.
- Please pray for Micah, our newest child.
- Please pray for our founder Elizabeth Mwalosi. She just turned 90!

### A New Child Arrives



Usually I share Josephat's email announcement whenever a new child arrives. However, in this case, we were there when the baby was brought to the orphanage. Josephat was on the phone when we came out of the airport terminal, He was speaking with the child welfare worker who informed him of the arrival of a new baby boy found abandoned in Arusha. When we got to the orphanage, we were greeted with one of the mamas holding the little boy. Josephat asked us to give him a name and everyone agreed on Micah. Landon, one of our team members, is pictured holding Micah. **Micah** needs a sponsor. **Three other children** also need sponsors. *They can all be sponsored on the Website.*

### Dr. Simon Passes His Exit Exam



A couple of weeks before the team arrived, Simon, who grew up at Samaritan Village, passed his final exit exam for Medical School. He scored at the top of his graduating class of fifty-four students. *He was also one of only eleven students who passed the exam!* He still has one more exam to pass in July which makes him board certified. However, he is qualified right now to work as a doctor. He has been working at our clinic as an intern.

### Christmas Celebration and Field Trips



Dear Samaritan Friends,  
I would like to take this opportunity to share some pictures of children safaris at Fort Jesus Mombasa Kenya from 9 December to 14 December 2024. Children enjoyed visiting at the Fort Jesus, different



beaches and also traveled by ferry and all of them got time to speak with the Ferry Captain. This safari makes all children enjoy a lot. Small children will go to the Disney plays at Sakina Arusha Tanzania. Thanks for all the donations to support all events.

Thanks,  
Josephat Mmanyi

### NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCEMENT

We are transitioning to an email newsletter at the end of the year. We will still do a small number of printed newsletters for those who want them. For now, we need your email address. Please email us or scan the QR code to give us your **EMAIL**.



### Pictures from Arusha



**James 1:27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.**

## Ways to Give



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