Report from Wakang'wa

November 2016

Dear Friends.

Firstly, warm thanks to the many people who offered me hospitality, encouragement, and an abundance of food! It was a great privilege to travel to Virginia, Florida, Montana and Wyoming during the five weeks in the USA. I met with nothing but kindness all along the way. Underneath all of the 'political stuff' there is this characteristic of kindness in American culture! Thank you all for your generosity. I arrived back at the Amani Centre at 8.00pm on Sunday, 30th October. It is good to be back, bearing the gift of friendship.

There are several urgent needs here in our areas of work.

*The first is the ministry of the Children's Home. In the past this has been supported, in the general care of the children, from a small town called Laidley, west of Brisbane, Australia. However, they are now unable to provide the support previously offered. We are in urgent need of monthly support to the value of \$800.00 per month for three months. That is a large amount, but it is spread over the care of forty seven children and teenagers, plus two paid staff. It is thinly spread. This will allow us the time to reorganize the basic support system for the children. The operation of the Home, and care of the children, involves a great deal of volunteer input by local Tanzanians. On a daily basis an average of 28 volunteers care for the children. Many of these are the Guardian Parents who open their homes and hearts to the children. 'Home' is an umbrella term for MANY homes. Please note that the Amani for Africa USA Foundation is conducted by volunteers. This means that the only deduction from contributions is the cost of bank transfer!

During the next three months we shall be preparing a sponsorship program designed to provide support for these children and others in Amani Education programs. Sponsors will be 'partnering' with the volunteers involved with the local care of the children. Most of these volunteers have little of the world's goods to offer, but they do have love and time.

*A second need is the financing of transport. We are community based, and active across our region. Therefore we touch meaningfully on the lives of many people. Every activity of Amani involves travel, often on a weekly basis, including Basic Administration, the Children's Home, Primary School, PreSchools (3), Water Resource Points, Provisions, Animal Care, Emergency Aid – and more. Every project requires an element of transport. It seems to be a mundane matter, but this is a key enabling factor in all of our work and ministry. We need to reach a goal of \$2,500.00 per month. At present we have \$1,000.00 from undesignated gifts. Think of Santa's Sleigh without the sleigh!

*The third need relates to the ministry of our evangelist, Wilfred Makalanzi. Wilfred ministers mainly in the south and west of Tanzania. His ministry is wonderfully blessed. We need pledges



totalling \$2,000.00 per year to support his ministry. Gifts of any amount are welcome. We simply need to reach that target. "Thank you" to the friend in Texas who contributes monthly to the cost of Bibles for new Christians, and to the friend in Billings who donated a camera for use in Wilfred's ministry.

I have included a recent photo of the Amani for Africa USA Board, plus

photographs of the Children and their Home, and of Wilfred.

With thanksgiving'

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Wilfred Makalanzi, God's Evangelist in

Tanzania. This is grass roots, no tricks,

evangelism. The local people provide hospitality wherever he ministers.





Photographs from the Children's Home. Teenage lads are working in their vegetable project. They are keen to develop the place they have named 'Our Home'. From the street to 'Our Home'.

