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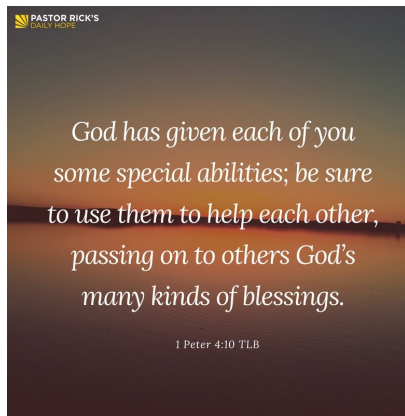
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Help Wanted

This past week in his “Daily Hope” publication Rick Warren asked the question “What Will Be Your Contribution?” In it he quoted 1 Peter 4:10 challenging each of us to consider “What will be the contribution of your life? Are you going to use your God-given talents and abilities to benefit yourself or other people?”

Sometimes God gives us special skills that we can use for the benefit of others – while in other instances all he needs for us to do is to show up and lend a hand at the mundane. It is great when we can lend a hand to help family members or neighbors around us, but when we live in a fairly affluent cocoon we also need to consider how we can help people who are really in need, even when they are far, far away.

Our Project Child Ministry Team is made up solely of volunteers who work to serve 500 plus children on the other side of the globe, providing



them a future which otherwise would be out of their reach. Would you consider being part of our team? How you might ask.

Child Profile – Development and Distribution We need someone who can occasionally assemble the child photo/profile packs that we provide new sponsors and assist with New Sponsor welcoming and communications. Estimated time – one hour per week.

Social Media – Development and Execution We are developing a team to leverage social media to reach and challenge next generations to engage in mission. Estimated time – 6 hours per month for start up.

If you can help in either of these ways – or have other skills that you would like to apply in support of this ministry please email timneet@att.net or call 6783583918

Video Conference a Technology Bridge by Tim Neet

This past spring we began offering opportunities for sponsors to talk to their sponsored child – literally face to face. One of the best ways to secure a relationship with your child is to visit in person on one of our short term journeys. (We will soon be coming out with a new list of dates for 2017) But second best is pretty good too, and a lot less expensive. With the deployment of microwave internet and our Computer Center, we are now able to hook you up via Facetime or Skype. Once a month we are trying to schedule a series of video opportunities.

If you would like to see and talk to your child, you need to get in queue. Just send me an email and I will put you on a work list of video calls. Whenever I can confirm a date for calls with Tanzania, I will broadcast an email to sponsors who have indicated an interest. First come – First serve.

The Bad News is that there is currently 7 hours of time zone differences between Atlanta and Karansi, which means 2PM there is 7AM here. This will improve by 1 hour when daylight savings expires. For now, to get the kids headed home in time to complete their chores before dark, we have a time window between 7AM and 8:30 AM EDT to initiate and complete the calls. While we occasionally have weather impacted calls, quality seems to continually improve. Facetime seems to work best, but Skype is also an option.

Following are comments from sponsors who have participated in one of our recent calls.

Jackie Lucas – “I just talked to Godlisten and it was

wonderful”

Mari-Elina Baldwin – “it was so awesome to see Johnson’s big beautiful smile! He is a bright boy and we can’t wait to follow him on his journey through life.”

Peter Balch – “It was great! We really enjoyed speaking with and seeing Kombola.”



Patricia and Ed Mitchell – “We are soooooo very happy that we were able to see and talk with Praygod. What a privilege it is to walk along side such a wonder young man who loves Jesus. We hope to be able to Skype with him another time as we learned so much more about him by just listening and watching him talk about his life.”

If you are interested in possibly video conferencing with your child and haven’t done so already – email me and I will alert you every time we have an opportunity. timneet@att.net

Sponsorship



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The best way a person can help Project Child is through Sponsoring one of our kids. We are very grateful for the 277 individual sponsors/families that we have caring for 378 kids, but that still leaves 60 kids with no sponsor to cover their costs, to pray for them, and to show that they are valued by God and by his people. Ever wonder how you can change a life of a child, and how you can be faithful to what James, the Brother of Jesus said, "Pure and Perfect Religion before God is to take care of orphans and widows in their distress."

No, we can't individually cure all the problems of child poverty in the world, or even in our country. But, we can all do something and at least make a difference for one, or two, or more. Project Child is one of the solutions to these problems with the solution being delivered by the local church, through the local church in both Word and Deed.

Have you visited www.projectchildtz.com? It has a great deal of information about Project Child including some amazing videos that you can use with your friends and family. On "The Kids" page it also has photos of all of our kids still awaiting for sponsors. Help us find a few.



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Christmas Gifts

As I announced last month, rather than sponsors trying to send over gifts for their sponsored children each year we take up a special TZ Project Child Christmas Gift Offering. Our goal is to raise enough funds to enable us to purchase in Tanzania a new set of clothes and shoes for every child – Pre-school through 6th grade, and this year a full Track Suit for all graduating 7th graders through Form 4 of Secondary School. Last year we were able to raise the full amount. Bwana Asifiwe. (Swahili – Praise the Lord) So, we are asking each of our sponsors to consider adding their sponsored child to their Christmas spending list, and since we have 60 children without a sponsor (having added the new pre-school children) we are hoping that each sponsor will consider giving at least \$25 per child to our TZ Christmas Fund. If you can help us purchase these Christmas gifts for all of our children please make your contribution to Perimeter Church with TZ Project Child Christmas Fund in the note field.

We would like to have all of these funds collected by December 1 – but will accept

payment anytime. I will need to send the funds to Tanzania in our November Wire Transfer. If you would like to have the additional amount deducted from your monthly ACH giving—you can send me an email with that instruction. You can also contribute by credit card online if you desire, by designating under the Distribution Section – "Child Sponsorship" and then "Tanzania Project Child – Christmas Fund." If you have any questions – please let me know at timneet@att.net Following is a photo of the 3rd Grade Girls and 2nd Grade Boys with their set of clothes from last year.



For Further information on PROJECT CHILD TZ go to www.projectchildtz.com Questions can also be emailed to timneet@att.net Make sure you Like us on Facebook at "Project Child Tanzania"