Help for the Massai e.V.

Dear friends!

In this new newsletter, two **groups of visitors** have their say to talk about their visit to the Massai Steppe; We report on the latest news from our **school program**. And it would be practical if you had a **calendar to hand**, so that you can make a note of important dates.

Enjoy reading it and God's blessings from Tanzania. The whole team of "Help for the Masasi" in Germany and Tanzania

On your feet wear the Good News of peace to help you stand strong. Ephesians 6:15 ERV

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Anyone interested in the next 16-day <u>project visit in 2026</u>, please contact the office in Ascheberg: buero@massai.org



PROJECT VISITS

Petra: On January 26, our group (12 people aged between 29 and 70) set off on a trip to Tanzania. In Arusha we visited the HftM site, where the children welcomed us with cheerful songs. The following day we marveled at elephants in Tarangire National Park. Lions, wildebeests, gazelles and zebras crossed our path in the Ngorongoro Crater and on the onward journey to our project site in Malambo, a large herd of giraffes hurriedly passed us on the dirt road. The school project in Malambo was a highlight. The morning assembly, attending lessons, having lunch with the children, meeting local staff and climbing the Olololo with a view of the steppe are just some of the many activities we were able to experience. Our way back took us past Lake Natron and Oldonyo Lengai, the sacred mountain of the Maasai. Finally, we went to the island of Zanzibar, where we spent the last few days on the Indian Ocean. Filled with many intense impressions, we landed back in Germany.

<u>Monika, former intern (1999)</u>: It was with great anticipation that we set off for Tanzania in April with our children and a family friend. We have been friends and companions of Angelika and HftM for a long time and were very excited to see the development of the projects again after 15 years. It was wonderful, adventurous and blessed three week journey. Our sponsored children from the HftM school program - Lemburis and Laanyuni - were in the first grade of primary school the last time we were in Malambo. They were two shy little boys with whom we could barely communicate. Today they are young adult men who earn their own living. Laanyuni works in a pharmacy in Dar Es Salam and Lemburis is a tour guide in the Serengeti. Everyone was very happy to see each other again and we were able to celebrate a reunion party with their parents in Engaresero, with a feast and lots of presents, an excursion to a waterfall and to see flamingos at Lake Natron.

The great gratitude of the two families for the valuable help provided by HftM's school project was hard to put into words and we were very moved by the realization of how God builds his kingdom when people allow themselves to be used by Him. Our daughter Janne was able to get to know her pen-pal Saiton personally in Malambo and experience what everyday school life is like in the Massai steppe. It is remarkable that HftM relies as far as possible on local management of the various facilities and has deployed very responsible, dedicated employees in the projects. We were once again deeply impressed by the great trust in God.

Unfortunately, there is no more space to describe the adventures in the rainy season, getting stuck in the mud, driving the car through raging rivers, scorpions crawling out of the water holes. We were able to observe how much Angelika still loves challenges in many situations. Our children in particular (and we again) came back from the trip changed, filled with gratitude for our good care here in Germany and infected by the joy of the Maasai and the amazement at how God changes lives!



ABOUT THE SCHOOL PROGRAM SARAH FRYKOFSKY - FINANCES & DAPHNE WAITE - SCHOOL PROGRAM

<u>Sarah:</u> Dirk and I were in Germany with Deborah for the first time. We were there for whole five months to deal with various authorities. We are very grateful that we were able to complete this and have been back in Tanzania as a family since May 2024. We are especially grateful that the work was carried out so well by all the staff during these months. Shortly after our return, the graduation ceremony of our first vocational school class took place on 31.05.2024.

Daphne: We have a lot of good news from the last few months. First of all, we were able to celebrate the first graduating class from our Naserian vocational school. **Three young Masai women have successfully completed their training in "food production".** All three have found direct employment in hotels and lodges. We wish them all the best for their start into an independent future. Other students, who are also supported by our Education-Is-Future Fund, also successfully completed their exams in various fields last month: PTA, clinical officer, nurse, midwife, teacher and many more.



DONATION PROJECT: HOLIDAY CHILDCARE 2024

We would like to express our sincere thanks for the donations that have been made to help run the vacation care program. Especially on behalf of the girls, who also need a safe environment during the vacations. So far, we have been able to **provide full-time care for over 50 girls.** In addition, a one-week seminar for all our secondary school students was held in Malambo. A total of around 200 young people aged between 13 and 18 took part. The topics covered included career opportunities, biblical role models, personal responsibility, protection and boundaries, health and much more.

<u>Sarah</u>: The sponsorships are the foundation through which we finance monthly salaries, food, school materials, uniforms and much more. From December 2024, 30 new kindergarten children will be selected to join the school program. We are grateful that we have been able to provide this perspective for destitute families for many years. If you are interested in sponsoring or supporting the older pupils through the Education-Is-Future Fund (BiZ), please contact buero@massai.org or via the homepage www.massai.org.

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SAVE THE DATE

FRIENDS MEETING HELP FOR THE MAASAI E.V. Meetings with Mama Massai & Team

19.09. - 21.09.2025 Missionarisches Zentrum 29582 Hanstedt

If you are interested, please contact us without obligation for our planning at the following e-mail address: volunteers@massai.org More information on our website later.



We are so grateful for everyone who is involved in the association. Especially on the German side, there are so many who are active behind the scenes and make it possible for the work in Tanzania to grow and flourish. We would therefore like to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to all those who continue to contribute their free time, ideas, thoughts and prayers. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Anne and Hendrik in particular, who have spent hours designing our new homepage over the last few months. Asante sana and a really great job! For those of you who haven't seen the new homepage yet, please take a look. Feedback is welcome to media@massai.org.

FEET

We give thanks for all those whose feet stand up for the good news: Peace with God is possible! (see cover photo) It is so beautiful to see how the love of Jesus is also passed on through children in Tanzania.

MALAMBO

- ist ein kraftvoller Ort in der Steppe, mit wunderschönem Vogelgezwitscher am Morgen!
- ein Ort, an dem Menschen mit Herz und Visionen leben
- ein Ort, an dem Gemeinschaft, Glaube und Nächstenliebe gelebt wird
- ein Ort, an dem Kinder Heimat und Bildung erfahren
- ein Ort, an dem Zukunft gestaltet wird

ein Ort, an dem die Menschheitsfamilie zusammenwächst, an dem Hürden überwunden werden, in dem Perspektiven für viele Kinder, vor allem für Mädchen geschaffen werden.

Es tat gut, diese Vision zu spüren und zu erleben!

Monika Weller, Februar 2024 (Teilnehmerin der Projektbesuchsreise Januar/Februar 2024)

PRAYER REQUESTS

THANK YOU

- for the vacation care that we were and are able to offer for so many girls
- the first graduation of our own vocational school class so many volunteers / new homepage

PLEASE

- for the selection of new kindergarten children
- good planning for the Friends Meeting 2025
- feet that stand up for the good news

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?

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