

# The CHALLENGE of Africa

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## God' Solution to Save the World

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)

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## Howell Ferguson At-a-Glance: Chimala Mission Primary School



The Chimala Mission Primary School was the first major construction project built following the opening of the Chimala Mission Hospital in 1965. With the country's high illiteracy rate, how could the Tanzanians learn and obey the Bible if they could not read it? Upon this premise, CMPS was opened in 1999 to provide Tanzanian children an opportunity to receive a quality education in a Christian environment and world view. This month's newsletter takes a quick look at the operations and needs of CMPS.

Making the gospel available in this far-away and remote part of Africa is what has made the Chimala Mission so invaluable to so many people. These images are not just pictures, they represent the souls and circumstances of people on a journey that will eventually take them before their Creator.

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## Howell Ferguson "Despise not one of these little ones"

Currently, CMPS has a total of 470 students (230 boys, 240 girls) with 27 employees including teachers, office staff, matrons, cooks, and security guards. This makes the primary school the largest of all of the works at the Chimala Mission, and consequently the one having perhaps the greatest overall effect upon Tanzanian society for good.

Imagine having the great privilege of being able to teach and influence children



ages 5 - 12. From daily devotionals, Bible Knowledge classes, regular attendance to Sunday worship and Bible school, and midweek Bible class; these students learn a great deal about God, the Bible, Jesus Christ and His church. Even on their classroom walls and other public locations about the school property, Bible principles are displayed for the children to ponder and learn of God's will.

Some of these children decide to obey the gospel. And even those who do not, the "seed of the kingdom" has been planted which might produce fruit at a later time.







CMPS Teaching Staff - Venance Mwanjelile (head teacher - R in red shirt)



CMPS Classroom - Students in School Uniforms



**Teaching Students About Square Root** 

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## Howell Ferguson Water Woes

Water in proper amounts is indispensable to life, cleanliness and good health. But without proper control, it can have undesirable results causing soil erosion and becoming the transporter of unhealthy contaminants like sewage. The CMPS regularly battles both which requires regular observation and repairs. The lack of money--not the lack of manpower--makes this a constant struggle.





Venance Mwanjelile writes: "We thank you for your great job on fundraising. We keep praying and asking God that you should not get tired. I would like to remind about school repairs. School existence is more than 20 years whereby buildings, walls, small bridges, restrooms (toilets) need repaired. Also we need water system drainage to be built among other things."

Raw sewage mixes with the natural water run-off from the seasonal heavy rains. With the desire to increase CMPS enrollment, such unsanitary conditions are naturally viewed as a detriment by parents. Battling such obstacles, including occasional bed-bug outbreaks, frequently brings a strain to the school's budget as it strives to maintain a balance between keeping CMPS clean and sanitary and keeping tuition costs low and attractive to parents.

Just like here in the States, schools try to remain competitive. We believe the spiritual emphasis at CMPS gives us the edge over state and NGO schools. Secularism and denominationalism are no substitute for the teaching of pure New Testament Christianity.



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## Howell Ferguson Feeding 500 Children

Both the Germans and the British brought the custom of drinking "chai" (tea) to East Africa. The British seemed to have perfected it further in Tanganyika (former name of Tanzania) greatly influencing the customary practice of this enjoyable morning ritual. Pictured below, CMPS cooks prepare "mandazi" (slightly sweet fried African donuts without the hole) to go along with the morning chai for nearly 500 children. Not a small task.

