

Tanzania 2018



"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end" (Jeremiah 29:11).

When you saw the daily prayer list for a medical mission trip to Tanzania and only two people listed, how many of you said, "What can two ladies do?" Well, we wondered the same thing but it was amazing to see God go before us each step of the way. We were met by an airport supervisor when we came off the plane who escorted us through each procedure including those blinded eyes in customs for which I asked you to pray. Then we were greeted by a group from the church that worked with us tirelessly the entire week. We both experienced spiritual warfare but one night neither of us slept much and we knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that God had plans that Satan wanted to thwart. Because you prayed, some stepped out of their comfort zone, some said yes to a new ministry, some used their giftedness in new ways & some were saved. How exciting to know God has a plan for us and all we have to do is obey.



We started off slow on day one, treating 66 people either medical and/or reading glasses. On day two, we registered 189 but I'm pretty sure a few slipped in without a paper. Once again we saw God's plan of provision. We had the same providers but day two we had more church members. We had to add more witnessing stations so no one left without hearing the Gospel. 15 people prayed to receive Christ. What if those church members had stayed home?



We had not planned to have a medical clinic at the new church plant but Christie and I felt it was clearly part of God's plan once we saw it. Our Tanzanian doctor & nurse agreed as did the church team so we loaded up the room dividers and moved to the tin building with a dirt floor. It's not fancy but the Word of God was proclaimed to 177 people that day, several professing Christ as Savior!



Christie and I were not sure we could do a ladies conference. We quickly realized this trip was not about us but all about Him and His plan. We had a great day sharing our testimonies (widowed or single, God can use you),



health topics, Bible study and we even gave away door prizes. The hardest question was why do you call them "door" prizes? I have no idea!

We had the privilege to share food and clothes with the widows. Christie shared her testimony. A widow said that Christie



challenged her and asked us to pray for her that she would step up and help others. Psalm 143:8

What a joy to love on the orphans & we pray they



understood they have the amazing love of Father God! James 1:27

What plan does the Lord have for you in 2019? Would He have you step out & join a mission team? Will you say, "Here am I; send me?" Isaiah 6:8-9