

Stewardship Moment from Gloria Becker

20 years ago I was given the opportunity to be part of our Adoration delegation to Tanzania. I had no idea how that experience would influence my life. . . forever. . .

Since our partnership began in 1999 I have returned to visit my Tanzanian friends there and get recharged, so to speak, on my own spiritual journey.

Today I am thankful for all of those Tanzanian friends (ie. Godlove, Goodluck, Franael, Sirileli, etc.) who taught me to be thankful for God's blessings. . . I learned a lot from them.

I remember vividly standing in the entry of a dirt floor, 200 square foot home of a widow with her five children. As we prayed together, the sun was shining through the old, torn newspaper which was used as "wallpaper" that kept rain and heat out of her stick home. The smile on her face and the tightness of her hug made me sincerely aware of how much the mere \$25 gift we gave her had meant. She was grateful for our small monetary gift. . . I am now more humble and more grateful for the multiple gifts from God that I, regretfully, take for granted.

I value my treasured Tanzanian friends with whom I communicate daily or weekly. . . I am so happy to be able to financially help my friends there who have so little, as I have so much.

"All that we have is thine alone, a gift, O Lord, from thee." A loan! A gift to be shared with our neighbors both here and abroad.

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God is good.