

TANZANIA CARING GROUP
Activities through October 2009

The last edition of Kirkbride Tidings covered our activities up until the end of June pretty effectively. The really good news since then is **the Diocese of Lake Rukwa is now a reality!** Bishop Badeleya now must compete to become the Bishop of this Diocese that he toiled so hard to bring to fruition!

During the summer, Daniel received an urgent request from the Sister running the Catholic orphanage for tuition funds for the student that had been being supported by a private donor (a relative of Muriel & Rene) and for another student -- a boy who had made excellent marks in high school qualifying exams, but had no way of paying the expenses for a private school (the only facility that had space for more students). Daniel paid the funds for both people up front after receiving assurances that we would forward the money. We contacted Doreen and forwarded the necessary fees from the Tanzania fund --- and then found a donor willing to take on the expense of keeping the boy involved for a four (4) year period.

In addition we received donations to buy desks for the Anglican school, and these have been purchased and installed.

Our targets for the ensuing fiscal year are as follows. The prices in terms of **Canadian dollars** are:

Desks for the Anglican school	\$50.00 ea.	
Goats	\$100.00ea	
Bicycles	\$120.00EC ea	
The model of the female pelvis and baby, for use in obstetrical training	\$1,698.00 ea	
Defibrillator -- Zollaed	\$2,519.00 ea	
Air Shield Incubator (re-furbished with a one year.warranty)		\$2,495.00 ea

The prices quoted above are tax inclusive at the moment.

All the folk to whom I spoke indicated that there is significant potential for price fluctuation and in each case, Shipping costs are an "extra.". In addition, we want to raise \$7,500.00 to bring Daniel to the Coady Institute in the summer of 2010 and from there to St. Brides for a short visit.

The foregoing looks like a lot of money to raise in a short period of time. However, we are optimistic. We have verbal commitments for donations coming in November, and some other indications from previous donors, that they intend to support again this year. Our balance on hand at the moment is \$1,842.00. We have high hopes for results from our upcoming catalogue and hopefully, a fundraiser tentatively planned for just before Lent.

In the meantime, we are actively filing applications for grants from foundations that fund similar projects. We invite you to join us in service to our brothers and sisters in Tanzania -- and most of all, we earnestly solicit your prayers.