



*My son David crossing the river
just before it got too high*

Joanne Moyer

Life and Ministry in Tanzania

June 2020

SLP 934, Iringa, Tanzania, East Africa • joanne.moyer@gmail.com

Hello from Masumbo camp!

We had guests here and a little 5-year-old child said something about the lockdown due to the coronavirus. This started us talking about the new vocabulary that is emerging, plus new ways of doing things like school, church services, online connections—even how we look at plans for the days and months ahead!

Jeremiah 29:11-13:

¹¹ “‘For I know what I have planned for you,’ says the Lord . ‘I have plans to prosper you, not to harm you. I have plans to give you a future filled with hope.

¹² ‘When you call out to me and come to me in prayer, I will hear your prayers.

¹³ ‘When you seek me in prayer and worship, you will find me available to you. If you seek me with all your heart and soul.’”



Picture of widow’s house

I have peace knowing that all these issues didn’t come as a surprise to God, and we who know Him can trust in His plans for the future.

We had very heavy rains this year, so much that many people here lost their homes, walls fell down, and “fountains” opened up under their floors . I was able to hire some builders to rebuild a collapsed house for a widow in my prayer group. I love blessing people, as I’ve also been blessed by many of you.

Our river was so high I couldn’t cross on the zipline to get to David’s house for several months, so I was doubly happy when Dan and his family came back from Dar es Salaam when my grandson Seth’s school closed.



HOPEC students - this is the school where Seth attends



More students from HOPEC

Most of us are used to having a bit more control over our lives than we have right now! I pray we will all have peace in the circumstances we find ourselves in and continue to learn how to be a blessing to those around us.

For His glory,

Bibi (Joanne Moyer)

Just before they closed, a group of 12 HOPEC (Seth's school) students came here to do a week of ministry—painting and fixing up some school buildings. Those plans were cut short as the coronavirus suddenly became an issue, but the last day the students spoke, sang, and encouraged a local church here. Then they had a meal in the pastor's home! I enjoyed watching Seth give his first sermon in Swahili!

Right: my grandson Seth preaching his first sermon in Swahili

