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DEAR PRAYER PARTNERS,

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Indeed, 2024 has been a busy year for the Wanawake wa Habarinjema Ministry here in Tanzania. During the past year, we held weekly Bible studies every Friday in various churches throughout Mbeya. In addition, all five women's groups from the various GMI-affiliated churches in the city came together once a month to encourage one another. We also saw an increase in our visits to women in hospitals and their homes this year where we engaged with them in a ministry of encouragement and counseling.

Last July we held a powerful women's conference in the town of Chunya. One hundred forty women attended the conference including several women who had previously left the church. Topics covered at the conference included Biblical marriage, unity as believers, becoming a woman of God, and living a life of peace. By the end of this amazing conference, two families who had left the church decided to rejoin the congregation and three other women surrendered their lives to the Lord. These women are now powerful members of the local GMI-affiliated church in Chunya.

God works wonders in our lives and the lives of all who call on His name. During our conference in Chunya, a thirty-year-old woman named Sneva Kanawe, also known as Mama Frank, visited us on the very first day of the meeting. She was once a member of Chunya Grace Church but had left the congregation many years ago. Mama Frank has three wonderful children and is self-employed.

After hearing the message that day, Mama Frank came back the following day with her husband Godfrey. Later that day they announced to the church that they wanted to come back and Godfrey surrendered his life to Christ. The couple now actively serves the Lord in our Chunya church and there is an obvious difference in their lives. May God receive all of the glory and honor because he is the one who called us all and makes everything possible.



WITH SOME OF THE LADIES FROM MBEYA AFTER OUR FRIDAY MEETING



AT THE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE IN CHUNYA VILLAGE



SPEAKING AT THE MWANJELEA CHURCH IN MBEYA

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, we were not able to hold our annual national women's conference this year. Everyone was looking forward to this time of fellowship and teaching as women planned to gather from all over Tanzania. God willing, this conference will resume again in 2025.

I am thankful for my family and for the opportunity we had to spend Christmas together in Tatanda. This town was the location of the first mission outreach for Grace Ministries International in Tanzania and holds many wonderful memories for our family and of the ministry that took place there. While visiting there I was able to connect with many believers in the Lord and join in the women's ministry that I am so fond of. I give God all the glory for a successful celebration of the birth of our Savior and for the unity He continues to provide within our family.

Thank you for your partnership with me in this vital ministry! Please pray for me and my family as I continue to serve the Lord in Tanzania. Please also pray that the Lord will give me strength and good health in the new year, as well as the resources needed to continue my work here in Tanzania. And join me in praying that the women's ministry will continue to provide hope and comfort to women as Christ is proclaimed to those in need of our Savior.

May our gracious Lord continue to bless you and meet all of your needs for the sake of His name and the ministry he has placed in each of our lives. I hope you all had a wonderful time celebrating the holidays with your family and that you have a blessed new year as you seek the Lord in 2025!

Thank you for your prayers and support!

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AND GRANDSON**

