



## Habari from the Ziems November 2021

*"Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name."*  
**I Chronicles 29:11-13**

Two weeks ago we said goodbye (*as you can imagine it is always a bit sad for us and really doesn't get easier*) to our family and friends in Michigan and began the trip back to Tanzania. For some reason it does seem to get longer as we get older! The trip was uneventful....two negative COVID tests....all the bags arrived (Praise the Lord!) and were touring around the conveyor belt as soon as we cleared immigration! We had a wonderful time of fun, fellowship and sharing with so many of you in the past months. We are so thankful for each of you who has encouraged us through your actions, words, kindness, prayers, generosity and support. We are in awe of the blessings and opportunities that God has provided for us. During this month of Thanksgiving we certainly want to give our God thanks and praise His glorious name.

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## A TASTE OF TANZANIA!

One of the activities that took a bit of our time while in the U.S. was the "Taste of Tanzania" events. We are so very grateful to those who hosted these events! It was fun for us to cook and share about the ministry and life here in Tanzania and met many new wonderful people. The events ranged from intimate dinners to large buffets with more than 30 participants. We think they were very successful and hope to be able to continue in the future! Here are a few pictures courtesy of our hosts.....





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Here are a few additional pictures of our time in the U.S. Most of them are self helped Aubrey prepare and move into her new home. (That took a bit of elbow grease!) We were also able to include a visit to Noah, a sail around San Francisco Bay courtesy of very generous family members, a Fall Color Tour in the U.P as well as a bit of beach time on Lake Huron at the beginning.







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***The prayers of a righteous man are powerful & effective!***

***Please commit to praying with us.....***

- Praises and Thanksgiving for wonderful friends, supporters, encouraging church congregations, and new "Donor Engagement Partners".
  - Praises for the resources and opportunities God has provided to continue His work.
  - For us, along with the entire SON Team to place trust in God each and everyday.
  - That all members of the SON-TZ Team will be likeminded and work with integrity.
  - For the rains to come here in Tanzania. It has been unseasonably hot and there has been no significant rain since the end of May.
  - For additional volunteers & partners that have a heart for sharing Jesus in practical ways, especially in the areas of education & outreach.
  - For God to continue to provide the necessary financial resources to accomplish His purposes for the SON Ministry.
  - For Pastor John & his wife as they serve the people of Mkoko Village. That they be able to trust God and show his love through their integrity and real life examples.
  - For Alphonsi as he completes his Form 4 exams.
  - Wisdom for SON Board members and Leaders as we begin to make strategic decisions about the coming year.
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While the SON-TZ team has done some great work...there were a few challenges.....  
Yes, A tree fell on the Dodoma Tata. Another of our trucks had the oil pump fail (only  
in Tanzania do things like this happen) on a return trip from Mkoko Village. It  
resulted in a complete engine seizure....Fortunately no one was hurt in either  
incident. It also appears that our oldest Ford, will not be making a resurrection from  
the latest overheating event.....



## HAS MOVED!

Any future communications and  
donations should be sent to:

**SON INTERNATIONAL**  
**P.O. BOX 6178**  
**Plymouth MI, 48170**



**November is a month that we celebrate many important events! Todd's Birthday, which is also World Toilet Day, and of course Thanksgiving!**

**What are you thankful for this year?  
Is your toilet on that list?**

**Be thankful for your toilet and help Todd celebrate his 61st birthday on World Toilet Day! November 19th. Your donation will help the SON training team educate both children & adults on the impact that using an improved toilet can have on their health.**

**Just go to [son-international.org](http://son-international.org) to donate**

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*The Spirit and the Bride say "Come!", And let him who hears say, "Come!", whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life."*

*Revelation 22:17*

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