



## MORAVIAN CHURCH IN TANZANIA SOUTH WEST PROVINCE

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### Yearly report 2017

Dear Friends and Helpers

We are happy to express our gratitude regarding our great help to our project. We went through all the papers and thought to give you a short feedback about our development of the work and the impact of your help to our work. Our mainly goal is to help the orphans and vulnerable children to get education and the basic needs of their life.



The contribution of the Church District of Muelacker of 25 Millions Tanzanian Shillings represents about 33,8% of all the money we have, this year 2017. More than 90% of all the money that helps our project comes from Europe. This information is, to explain to you, how important your contribution is for us and for all the children we are supporting.

Today, we are supporting 289 Children between 5 years old and the end of their studies/scholarship. They are in four different districts and we support them from Kindergarten until they finish schools. If their results are good enough and they have the interest of going on with the studies, we help them even to pay for University. This year, there are only 6. 37 Children are doing "Vocational Training" (Lehre), 6 go to Form 5 and Form 6 (Gymnasiale Oberstufe), 77 young go to Secondary school and all the remaining, 163 children, go to primary and pre-school.



46,5% of the whole budget, we spend on education (school fees, uniforms, transport to school and back home, shoes, a.s.o.). About 8,5% we use for food. On our weekly meeting on Saturday in the center, a lot of the children get their only warm meal of the week. Some are not sure what they will eat in the evening or on Sunday. This meal is very important for them. Also, when children live alone, we give them

occasionally a bag of corn or rice, according to what we can provide. 1,6% we use for health issues. Every child has a Community Health Insurance card, which allows them free treatment in dispensaries and district hospitals. Those are able to cure "normal" diseases and troubles. In case they need something bigger, they have to go to the regional, then the referral hospitals, which we would pay, if it's

needed. 23,8% of the budget is used for Capacity building. This part contains workshops and information for caretakers, support and maintenance of the basic needs for living and monthly meetings with volunteers. There is some small amount, we use for the maintenance of the buildings and the surrounding fence. This amount is less than 2,5% but still needed to cover the basic needs.

The remaining 17,1% are used for the office materials, transport, fuel, car maintenance, insurance of the car, and other small things, we need to work.



We would like, at this point, to thank you a lot for all your generosity and the support you are giving us each year. Not only finances but physical goods like computers or sewing machines are a huge help to the students who succeeded in their studies, so that they can start working what they learnt. Not having to buy these materials from our budget, helps us to support more vulnerable children in their daily struggles. Other ideas of goods that would support us in this way are the following.

Knitting machines: Every child needs a uniform which includes a wool sweater. Today we need to buy each one of them. With the machine, women could knit themselves. They would only buy the wool and work for free. That is another topic.

Old bicycles: this would help some students to reach their school in half an hour, instead of 90 minutes walking one way.

Old computers with Word Office is the most used program. A lot of students would love to learn how to use those machines. Their needs are for the basics only. If they progress and learn well, they will need a specific computer anyway. They can be old and terribly slow, we would love to have them anyway.



We really continue to thank you very much for what you are doing to help us by helping the children who are in most vulnerable situations. May our Lord God be with you all time and bless you all.

Greetings from the OVC – South West Province

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