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# **Dr. Susan Wilson Coming to Naples**

Dr. Susan Wilson, the founder and CEO of Tumaini Fund, will visit Naples on February 28, 2014 for a 10-day visit.

<u>Dr. Wilson will speak at all of the weekend services at:</u>

- St. Monica Episcopal Church: March 1-2, 2014
- Trinity-By-The-Cove Episcopal Church: March 8-9, 2014

to host gatherings in their homes during the week of March 3-7 to assist Dr. Wilson in increasing awareness about the organization's impact and the current needs in Tanzania. To host such an event, please contact Rick Swope, president of Tumaini Fund USA at 239-262-0170.

#### **Give HOPE for the Holidays**

The holidays are upon us, and Tumaini Fund USA provides a unique opportunity to honor someone who would rather give than receive as well as the opportunity for you to change the life of one in need during this time of thanks and blessings. Enclosed with this newsletter is one of our donation envelopes, which includes a selection of donation amounts ranging in size from \$10 to \$5,000, which will enable us to continue to bring HOPE to thousands of orphans in Tanzania.

No Contribution Is Too Small To Make A Positive Impact:

- \$10 Mosquito Net for Protection Against Disease
- \$40 Solar Lamp for Homes
- \$100 Bicycle for Transportation to Water and School
- \$100 Secondary School Tuition for One Year
- \$625 New Home for a Family
- \$5,000 Drill a Shallow Fresh Water Well
- Make a Dress through the Sewing for Hope program

To make your contribution, please send your check to Tumaini Fund USA using the donation envelope enclosed or visit our website at **www.TumainiFundusa.org.** 

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### Major IMPACT Requires Major FUNDING

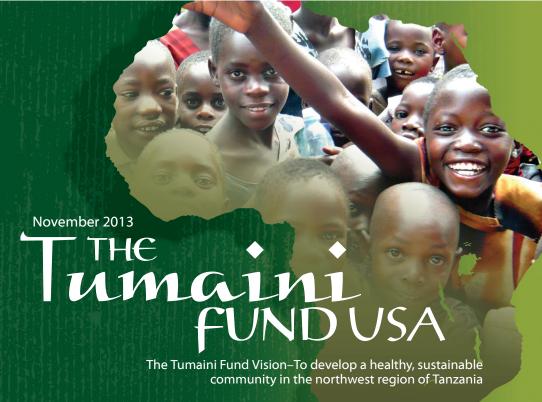
Support

ne of Dr. Susan Wilson's frequently spoken sayings is that, when Tumaini monetary needs arise, "God will provide!" In our April 2013 newsletter, we mentioned that the Tumaini Fund was seeking \$25,000 to build a larger office in the Kayanga region. We are pleased to report that the money has been provided and that this office is now being built!

Since 2009, Tumaini has built a number of vocational training centers to teach income-generating skills to young men and women who were not able to enter secondary school. We have two of these schools in Murgwanza (one teaching tailoring and the other carpentry) and a third in Lweru (which offers instruction in tailoring). At the present time, we have 50 students enrolled in these schools. We will soon open offices for use by our social workers and parish workers in two other towns, Kayanga and Chato, and we would like to build a vocational center in each location to increase our ability to equip those who cannot continue their education beyond primary school with these valuable income-generating skills. These vocational centers will cost \$22,500 each to build.

In our last newsletter we announced that the Naples Council of World Affairs had approved a grant to Tumaini to build two new primary school classrooms in Kabalekela, an impoverished village located some 12-13 miles from any existing school. To accommodate all of the primary school children living in this area, we need another two classrooms which will cost \$10,000 to build.

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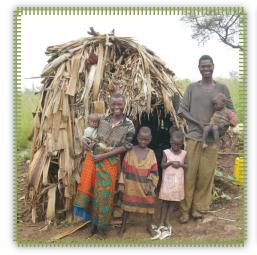






Tumaini Fund Vocational Training Schools and Students









Tumaini Fund builds new, safer homes for villagers.

#### **Providing Homes For Families**

supported by Tumaini Fund at new home for them. least once, each month. When they their living conditions. Sometimes, this involves giving advice on how

Tumaini Fund now has 180 it involves Tumaini Fund helping parish workers in Kagera. Teams families acquire deeds of ownership of two workers visit each family to a piece of land and building a wooden doors front and back. The

accommodations, they bring this has built or helped people to information to Tumaini Fund's build more than 400 houses. The social workers who work with the houses usually have three rooms families to assist them to improve one family area, one room for girls and one for boys. Some – built for large families – have more rooms. to repair a dwelling; in other cases, The homes have sand/cement/

boulder foundations, corrugated tin roofs, mud-brick walls and kitchen area is placed outside the structure (as is the custom in Africa), find families living in run-down. In the past 10 years, Tumaini Fund and the privy is located at some distance from the house. These structures are expected to last for 50 years. Each house, at current prices, costs approximately \$625 to build. These houses give a family a stable place for their children to grow up with dignity.

### **Financing College Education**

Education is the key to success

Some of the 8,000 students whose tuition and fees at the secondary school level are currently being paid by the Tumaini Fund aspire to attend cóllege. Tumaini now offers student loan programs for those seeking to become Elementary School teachers and dispensers (pharmacists). Both of these programs were funded with grants which will permit them to operate in perpetuity.

In the fourth quarter of 2011, an educational trust awarded Tumaini A similar program to lend money to Fund a grant of \$46,500 to establish a up to 15 students per year who wish program to permit up to 30 students to pursue a two-year program to earn each year to borrow money to enroll dispenser certificates was funded in two-year courses of study at through a grant of \$31,000 by a British Government Colleges in Tanzania pharmacy company with links worldto earn teaching certificates. The wide. The first group of students in loan programs to accommodate



This program will help relieve the current shortage of teachers. Most elementary schools in Kagera now have a minimum of 70 students per teacher.

January, 2013.

Each applicant for a loan from one of these programs signs a contract obligating them to repay the loan, plus a low rate of interest, over the first four years after they are employed.

Dr. Susan Wilson hopes that corporate or individual donors will come forward to offer grants which will enable Tumaini to establish other student Continued page 3

program began in January, 2012. this program began their studies in

#### **A Royal** Honor

Dr. Susan Wilson, founder and CEO of Tumaini Fund, was recently honored by Queen Elizabeth as an Ordinary Member of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE), in recognition of her services to AIDS orphans in Tanzania.

In June, Dr. Wilson was recognized honor from Prince William.

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The MBE was created in 1917 as part of the Queen's birthday by King George V. This award reception at Government House is one of the highest honors a in Guernsey, U.K., and she civilian in Great Britain can obtain appeared at Buckingham Palace on short of being knighted. Valuable Thursday, Oct. 17 to receive the service is the only criterion for the award.



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The Kagera region of Tanzania covers a land mass equivalent to the size of the state of Rhode Island or to the size of Collier County, Florida. The terrain is mountainous and there are few paved roads, and seasonal rains often wash out the mud roads which connect villages. Tumaini operates a small fleet of trucks used to transport the supplies it brings to Kagera to support needy families and to deliver patients to medical centers. The fleet includes three Toyota Land Cruisers which are constantly undergoing repairs.

personally say that the work Tumaini Fund is

doing is impacting the lives of thousands of children in Tanzania

in a profound way.

Tumaini Fund is giving

children hope for their future, the ability to follow their dreams

and the means to be successful

~ELIZABETH MARTIN

those who wish to pursue careers

as doctors, nurses, agriculturalists,

social workers, clinical workers

and accountants. Inquiries relating

to the establishment of such

programs should be addressed to

Rick Swope, President of the

Tumaini Fund USA.



These vehicles have logged more than 200,000 miles each and replacements for two of them are desperately needed. New Toyota Land Cruisers would cost around \$45,000 each. However, it is estimated that used Land Cruisers in good shape can be purchased in the major cities of East Africa for approximately \$10,000 each.

We know that God will continue to provide for our needs, but he is a busy Lord and we're sure he would appreciate donors stepping forward with funds to enable us to build the above structures and to update our aged fleet of trucks.

Supporters of Tumaini, we ask that you please reach out to your businesses and community contacts

to bring the major expenditure needs of the Tumaini Fund USA to the foreground and help us continue to make an impact! Anyone interested in funding any of the above projects to assist us in moving forward with *these expenditures is a sked to contact* one of our Board Members or email info@tumainifundusa.org. You may also visit our website at tumainifundusa.org and click on **DONATE**.



~Valerie Cameron, Employee of the States of Guernsey and Tumaini **Fund Volunteer**