



2006 ANNUAL REPORT



MISSION: To assist the poor rural communities of Tanzania, Africa, with life’s basic necessities – to become healthier, better educated, and more self sustaining.

ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE: To become an umbrella organization, which analyzes the basic needs of a community, and then, through this and other cooperating service agencies, lays out and carries out a plan for improvement in that community, to improve health, growth, and survival.

OVERALL STRATEGIC GOAL: To substantially improve the lot of 5 rural villages in Central Tanzania in the next 10 years.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS OF 2006

- 1. **FAMINE RELIEF** – We sent \$6000 over to Mtumba in Tanzania, due to the call that the villagers were starving because of the lack of rain during the rainy season. They needed money for food basics.
- 2. **GARDEN CONTEST** – We sent money for seeds, fertilizers, watering cans, etc, and also for prizes for the best 3 gardens out of 20 they were to make. This was to try to encourage them to start small gardens during the off-season (the non-rainy season) using the newly available water from the system we had installed.
- 3. **TRACTOR PURCHASE** – In order to avert the famine problem in the future, when rains are light, we encouraged them to always start bigger gardens, and to do this we purchased a 1975 used tractor for them to use from the UK, along with a plow, disc, and trailer.
- 4. **WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT** – As women are treated very poorly in Tanzania, we sent another 120 women to a 3-day seminar on women’s empowerment to help them to understand their rights.
- 5. **BUILT 2 BUILDINGS** – As we had purchased oil and flour milling machines for them (and some carpentry equipment), and they had no place to put them, we sent money to build 2 buildings to house them.
- 6. **WEBSITE ESTABLISHED** – Realizing the value of being able to tell more of our story to donors and the general public, we invested in establishing our own website – now at www.tanzanialifeproject.org. It is a great piece of work which we can continue to supplement as time goes on.
- 7. **NGO BEGINNING** – We realized that in the long term, we need a local office in the Dodoma, Tanzania area. We need to establish a permanent place there, from which we can continue to do business.
- 8. **ELIMU AFRICA** – Currently we are helping this sub organization until they get IRS exemption status. Their funds assisted a small independent school in Moshi, Tanzania called the Second Chance Education Center, by paying school teachers salaries and associated school expenses. The school is for the poor children who were “left behind” the local system.

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Financial Position – 2006

Management of this organization is accomplished primarily by the volunteer and unpaid efforts of the Chair & Founder James Vanderheyden. This explanation is offered to help to explain the relatively low amount of our Management Expenses during these early years of this organization.

We anticipate the spinoff of Elimu Africa during the 2008 Fiscal Year. Financial records will be modestly affected.

CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash	14,478
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>14,478</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Debt	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>0</u>

PROGRAM SERVICES	
Tractor & Farming Equipment	23,205
Other: 32,155	
Buildings/Famine Relief	9,940
Second Chance Ed. Center	11,289
Other	<u>10,926</u>
	55,360

SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES	
Management	4,273
Fundraising	<u>359</u>
	4,632

TOTAL EXPENSES	59,992
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Change in Net Assets	8168
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