



Dear all,

While springtime is arriving with several activities, we'd like to inform you about what's been going on in Tanzania and what we're doing and planning in the Netherlands. If you want to know more: please email us!

Starting with this Newsletter, people from and around Selela (our project community) will introduce themselves briefly to you:

"I'm **doctor Peter Zavery Benela**, 34 years old, married to a doctor, our son Aäron is 1 year old. I am from the Bena tribe, my religion is Lutheran. I am responsible for the medical care in Monduli District. This means that I monitor the dispensary at Selela and the one still to be opened at Mbaashi. Here at Monduli the old hospital building will become a training facility for nurses to be. In the background a new hospital building is under construction. Therefore, the capacity will rise from 116 to 160 beds. That sounds nice, but unfortunately we must always work with shortages and under primitive conditions.



Peter Zavery Benela



infirmary Monduli hospital



My wife and I sometimes dream of having our own private clinic. **For Monduli hospital, we are particularly looking for anesthetic equipment, washing machines, incubators, respiratory apparatus but also simply something like crutches.** I am very pleased that Tanzania Support helps us (see e.g. [the wheelchair on the photo](#)), which is especially important for isolated places like Selela and Mbaashi".

"My name is **Naomi Kivuyo**, I'm 24 years old, Maasai and Lutheran. I work as a teacher at Mbaashi School (100% Maasai). I live there in a room with my 33-year-old husband Philemon who is also a teacher. I think life here is okay, except in the rainy season, because then the dirt road is impossible for motorcycles so we cannot visit our family over the weekend. We are very thankful for the involvement of Tanzania Support. I know they are now looking for sponsorship for the construction of two dormitories, so children who live far away can also come to school **(who knows possible funds or co-sponsors**



Naomi Kivuyo



for this???). For them, it's too far to walk every day and transportation is not available. The children therefore also miss a daily meal through the World Food Programme of the United Nations. The population here is very poor and lives scattered around."

Short overview of the first four years

Since its establishing at the end of 2009, Tanzania Support Foundation has helped, among other things, a general hospital and two dispensaries, four schools and the Maasai advocacy organization TPCF by donating 170 school desks, 8 metal cupboards, 10 metal computer tables, 20 chairs, 4 wooden benches, 6 desks and chairs, 17 laptops, 2 digital cameras, 2 bicycles, an ultrasound machine, a blood centrifuge, 26 microscopes, a solar installation, litter bins, exercise books, 13 suitcases full of sports and playing material and 2 with various medical equipment, posters, 10 wheelchairs, 10 rollators, 2 table tennis tables, children's books, 21 toilets and building materials for roofing and renovation of a teachers house at Mbaashi, finishing 2 teachers houses and 2 classrooms at Ndinyika, building a science classroom at Oltinga school and a website. Part of this list was arranged locally last January by Marianne, please see at the website under "[Results](#)".



The community of Selela and Tanzania Support Foundation are grateful to you as sponsors and donors for all assistance and gifts that these donations have made possible. Thanks to this facilitative support Selela organizes itself and is now establishing an NGO (Non Governmental Organization), which is an important step forward in the development. In this central consultative body, decisions for the further development of Selela will be coordinated, which of course will lead to more efficient cooperation with us.



Mbaashi school



Ndinyika school

Completion project Wilde Ganzen

Last month, Tanzania Support completed a major project with Wilde Ganzen (Wild Geese) foundation: "improve the facilities of the Selela primary schools". This has resulted in an independent two classroom school in the hamlet Ndinyika, including two teachers' houses with outbuildings and students' toilets. In Selela eight toilets for the pupils were built, plus a sanitary block of seven for the teachers, so now for the first time, each teachers' house has a toilet.



Teachers' houses
Ndinyika school



outbuilding for teachers
at Ndinyika school



sanitary block for teachers
at Selela primary school



pupils toilets Selela



News from the Netherlands:

- Upcoming April a group of students of the Montessori Lyceum Flevoland from Almere will be a guest at Oltinga school for three days, see [Facebook](#). They will also sponsor schoolbooks or begin to setup a library room;
- In July, 20 students from a London secondary school will visit Oltinga for two days. Further information will follow through "[News facts](#)" on our website;



- It's not just the board of Selela that is developing itself, because the board of Tanzania Support Foundation (president Marianne Groenewoud, secretary Johan Groenewoud and treasurer Jacqueline van Dijk) will be expanded with Niels Staal from Nijkerk, Peter Reinsch from Amsterdam and Cynthia de Beer from Almere.



morning roll call
at Oltinga school

- Our 'nature team' from the Veluwe region gladly invites you for the following activities:
 - Sat. April 5: professional PHOTO SHOOT of people and/or pet(s) in Elspeet, at a time of your choice, € 29 per photo shoot;
 - Sat. April 19: TREASURE HUNT on horseback (on your own horse) near Elspeet, € 12.50 pp;
 - Sat. May 3: ROE DEER INFORMATION EVENING, 20.00 hours in Elspeet, € 10 incl. a drink;
 - Thu. May 29 (Ascension Day): EARLY 'DEW' BIKE TOUR, departure at 6.00 hours at hotel-restaurant "de Vossenbergh" in Vierhouten, € 20 incl. nature guide and buffet breakfast, optional bike rent € 7,50;
 - Sat. and Sun. September 27 and 28: BELLING TOURS to hear the red deer in mating season, starts at 17.00 hours in Elspeet, € 39, incl. hot and cold buffet, presentation, excursion, coffee or tea with a treat;

All activities are unselfishly provided by Oscar & Burnie Nieuwland and nature guide Gerard van Heiningen. Professional photographer [Karin Vogt](#) does the photo shoot. Therefore the full proceeds benefit Tanzania Support.

Information and registration through [email](#) or +31 (0) 577 492 310.

It's also possible that we organize an activity for your own group.



Tanzania Support regularly gives presentations about Selela and tours to Tanzania. Ask us about the possibilities through [email](#) or +31 (0) 6 50 60 34 87.

If you would like to support our work financially, you can make a contribution on NL77 RABO 0154803103. More information can be found on our [website](#).

And finally: feel free to forward this Newsletter to other people that may be interested!

