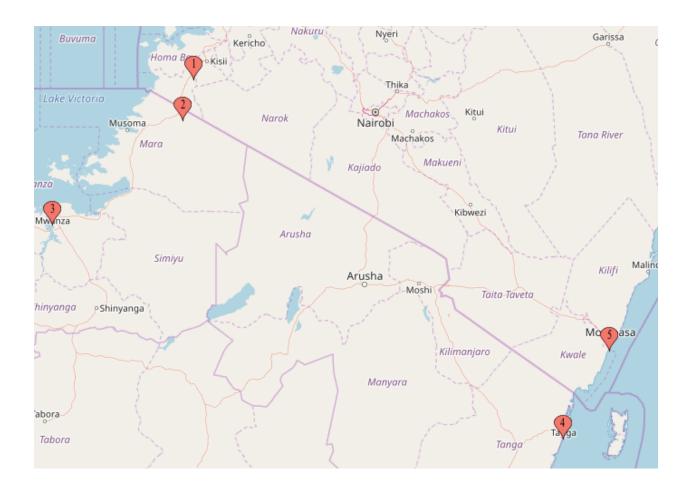
GARY REPORT

General Updates

Let me provide updates on several matters in Africa. First, Caleb sent me the following report. While still home in Rongo, he traveled down to Sirari (2), which you can see from this map is just inside Tanzania.



While he was there, I talked on the phone with a pastor who attended a meeting where I spoke while in Africa in 2015-16. That teaching was still in Kenya, very near the Tanzania border. It was nice to speak with the pastor, and brought up lots of memories. That was an unforgettable meeting, and a photo from it was used in a front-page news article in our local newspaper. The article had an expected biased slant typical of the press, but you can see and read it <u>here</u>. Following is Caleb's report. And let me say, the buffalo meat he mentions here I partook of as well when I taught near Tanzania, and was unforgettable, probably the best-tasting meal I had while in Africa.

Dear Bride brothers and sisters,

What was planned as a small meeting which was to take place in Sirari, turned out to be an inspiring event. We had a good study with Bride brothers over there. We were fed buffalo meat and talked about the upcoming visit of brother Gary. There were 200 there, and we agreed to hold a meeting in Sirari when Gary returns.

A few hours after the teachings, we got an invitation to go further into Tanzania and held a teaching in Mwanza (3). The church leaders there requested that if Gary comes, they will attend that meeting. But, we have to give them two weeks notice so that they can make plans to walk there [which you can see on the map is no small feat, or can we say feet].

There is also another group of pastors in Tanga (4) who did not attend our Mwanza meeting because they did not have a means of transportation. They wanted us to travel there, but because we could not raise \$200 for fuel, they have decided that we give them four days for them to work out getting to Mwanza so that we teach them.

We are hoping that Emmanuel comes.

Blessing

Well, Caleb could not wait four days, and went ahead and returned to Rongo (1). Everywhere he goes and teaches, they all want to attend a teaching when I return to Africa. Can you imagine a response like this in America? Never! Caleb and I talked about what our response will be to their requests when I return, and are now examining me coming down to teach them in Tanga after completing the teaching for Mombasa (5) (which you can see on the map). Oh that Yahweh will call out a believing bride for His dear Son! "I am black but lovely, O daughters of Jerusalem, like the tents of Kedar ["black"], like the curtains of Solomon" (Song of Solomon 1:5). I have not found in this entire world a more responsive and eager bride for Immanuel than that in Africa.

Moving along, in regard to the tragic events addressed in the September 16 "<u>Urgent</u> <u>Report!</u>," Constable Rubben and the businessman, Morasi, were very gratefully able to get four more of the six remaining Bride brothers out of jail in Homa Bay. This still leaves two in jail, and the brothers will be working on getting them out as well.

You will recall from that report that Walter, along with two members of Parliament and a Nairobi bishop, met with three attorneys at the Attorney General's office. That meeting went very well, and evil Calvince has been on the run ever since then, seeking to avoid arrest. And the quickest course determined best for the Bride regarding its registration in Kenya is as a "Society." Walter has been working on this ever since that meeting, and our registration for such is being filed at this time. But the question remains whether it can be issued by mid November; and we are otherwise looking at our options at this time, including being hosted by another registered entity. But nothing has changed regarding our plans for Jim and I to be there in mid November, tentatively arriving on the 11th. We would then rest on the 12th, and the first meeting in the Kibera slums would be on the 13th.

I want to close with something that is very close to me. Over the years, a few have questioned the legitimacy or reality of the Bride work in Africa. This was especially so of late with a set of circumstances, which I need not go into. Of course there is one way in which any of this questioning will most certainly be put to rest, and that is for Jim and I to go there and see and experience it ourselves—and this we will do. But with this recent questioning and test, I am all the more persuaded that the hearts of these brothers in Africa are as my heart, and what we see taking place there is indeed the work of the Father.

Furthermore, Satan does not like this work, for it will be his/her end; and if we are accurately discerning the timing of all of this, he/she would fight all the more. And this has been the case—not only now, but throughout the last three years. And even with this being the completion of the third year of this work, it would be fitting for there to be consummating and hopeful results. Since 1994 when the Bride was revealed and first began, nothing can be compared with the results we have seen in the last three years in Africa. And the wonderful and amazing and confirming thing is how the Father has indeed provided the finances all along the way. And right now we face returning back to Africa, and certainly there will be even greater financial needs. But the Father has provided thus far, and we look to Him as our provider as we advance forward and onward.

All of these things I have had to process of late, especially the question as to the certainty of the work in Africa. And because of recent events within the last few days, I am confident it is the work of the Father, is real, and that Satan would love to destroy it. And it is with GREAT hope that we proceed onward, and have great gratitude for Caleb and Walter and all of the Bride brothers in Africa as they have dedicated and even laid down their lives for one sole purpose—the revelation of the Bride in Africa, so that Immanuel can now return to this earth! Christianity cannot and would never accomplish this. And let's not forget the profound revelation of never-before-seen truths that have been given solely to the Bride! Thus, there is only one hope today, and that is the revelation and establishment of the Bride. It is with this purpose and hope that Jim and I continue to step forward to join our African brothers and sisters, that we might all the more reach that cherished and essential goal. Amen!

And the reality is as well that we did not get here by ourselves, but also because of you—with your support and equipping. We are one in Him, and we all press forward through that made possible by each of us doing our part—from those in Africa, and through others like you as well. To Yahweh be the glory. Amen!

Blessings,

Gary