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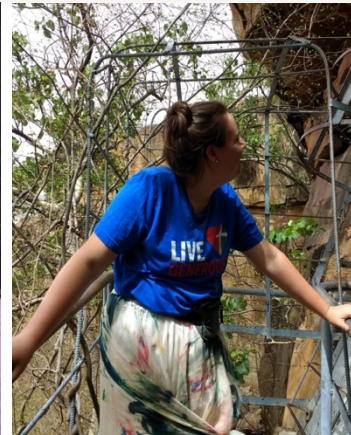
Deanne Gochanour's Newsletter,  
The nanny takes Tanzania  
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## What's Going On?

Hello, I have gladly accepted a position with Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) to nanny for the Olson family in Tanzania, East Africa! After graduating from Concordia Irvine with a degree in Lutheran Elementary Education, combining education and mission work is my next step. My departure date is set for January 2022 where I will finally meet Andrew & Alexis Olson along with their 3 adorable girls.



Mariah, 5; Selah, 3; Eliana, 6mo.



Me in West Africa, 2018

## Why a Nanny?

Families with young kids are pulled in many directions, and in Tanzania daily tasks take longer without many of the conveniences we have in the US. Alexis homeschools the girls and the Olson family travels often to get supplies and for work-related activities. Not only will I be an extra set of hands for food prep, childcare, and other household tasks, but I get to share Christ with Mariah, Selah, and Eliana as a Christian role model in their lives.



## Ukerewe Island?

Tanzania borders Lake Victoria, the largest freshwater lake in Africa. Ukerewe (oo-kar-ay-way) Island is the largest island in Lake Victoria and home to about 350,000 people. The ferry ride takes several hours to reach the island. The native language there is Kikerewe, but they don't have a Bible translated into their language yet. The Olsons have been living and supporting translation work on Ukerewe since 2019.



"For the Son  
of Man came  
to seek & to  
save the lost"  
Luke 19:10



The heavens  
declare the glory  
of God; the skies  
proclaim the  
works of His  
hands." Psalm 19:1



## The Tough Topic: Budget!

I'll be in Tanzania for a whole year!! That means a budget of **\$15,000**. The first large portion of my budget is a flight there and back, along with ferry rides to and from the island. We will be traveling at least monthly on a ferry to get supplies from Mwanza. Next, international travel documents such as visas, a passport, and vaccines that I'll need to enter Tanzania are included in this budget as well. Finally, housing, food, and insurance plans are the last large portion of the budget. This budget evens out to around \$1,200 a month for the entire year! Any assistance you can provide would mean the world to me for my first long-term mission!

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for the Olson family and the translation they are currently working on.
- Please pray that my transition to Tanzania goes well and all various needs are met before I leave & when I arrive.
- Finally, please pray that I gain full financial support to be eligible to leave in January!

## Personal Importance:

I can't wait to share the Gospel with all of you, but also with the Olson girls and the surrounding community. The people on Ukerewe are considered unreached because of the limited written Gospel in their language. Sharing our Savior with the people in Tanzania, especially the kids, is what I am being called to do, and I am beyond excited to be sharing Christ in this way!



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