

# TEAM EAST AFRICA

Dear Partners in Ministry,

March 2022

## CALLED TO THE UNREACHED

It is said that missionaries need to be flexible and patient. Indeed, even before going to the mission field we had to learn how to exhibit these qualities. For more than two years we tried to go to Taiwan as TCM missionaries. First, we applied for a missionary visa to enter Taiwan, but it didn't work. Then we tried to get a visitor visa for studying Chinese, but just as we were submitting our visa application in Manila, the COVID-19 pandemic hit. The Philippines went into lockdown and Taiwan closed its doors to foreigners. We had no choice but to wait for the best time to apply for a visa again. For months we waited for open doors, and months stretched into years. Since Taiwan is still closed to foreigners, except those who already have residence permits, the TCM leadership decided to put Team Taiwan on hold. They asked if we would be willing to be re-assigned to East Africa where there's an open door, and where we can help further the mission. Shifting our focus from Asia to Africa wasn't that easy. However, we realized that as missionaries, our calling is not to a specific group of people, but to the unreached. The gospel is for all the Gentiles to hear. Romans 16:25-26 NIV says:



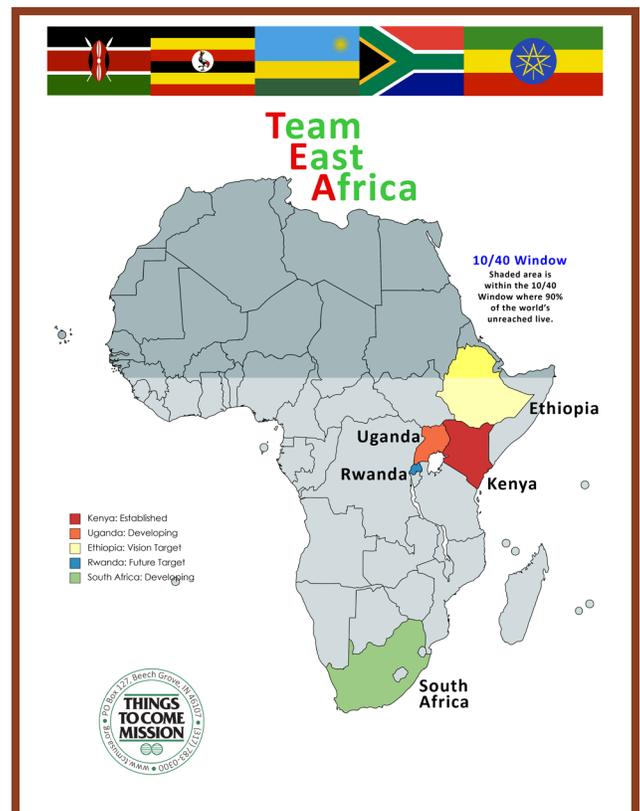
*Now to Him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith.*

TCM formed Team East Africa to send missionaries to Uganda, Ethiopia and Rwanda, using Kenya as a base for orientation and resources. This newly created Team East Africa has us as its first members, with Uganda as our primary assignment.



On March 8, 2022 we arrived safely in Kenya. We never thought that we would be here in Africa because for the longest time, all we knew was that we're going to Taiwan. We will stay in Kenya for a few months to get a feel for African culture, be exposed to and learn from the well-established field ministry here, and work in the Bible School, before transferring to Uganda.

We're excited to be part of God's global mission. Finally, we're on the mission field! We know it's not going to be easy but, knowing that we have God with us and that we





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have you as our mission partners, we believe we can accomplish what God has called us to do as missionaries. We thank the Lord for the opportunity of meeting some leaders and ministering to the Church. We're also thankful for the Heaths who are hosting us in their house. Please continue to pray for us as we adjust to our new environment and start our ministry.

Thank you for taking part in this task by supporting us! We hope you will continue to pray for us as we adjust to this new environment. If you would like to support us financially, you can send donations to Things to Come Mission designated for **Team East Africa**.

In His Service,

***Roland and Beverly Improso***

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