

## Tanzanian Educational System

### Primary School

- Free
- Compulsory for ages 7-14
- Standards 1-7
- Instruction in Swahili language
- Provided in each local village

### Secondary School

- \$350 per year
- Forms 1-6
- National exams after Forms 2, 4 and 6 determine eligibility to continue
- Instruction in English
- Boarding schools include both government and private institutions
- Schools are nationally rated ("A Level") and curriculum may focus on either a liberal arts or math/science track
- New school year begins in January

### Vocational Training

- \$300 - \$500 per year, on average
- Nursing programs may require some secondary education (Form 4)
- Many students combine a trade (carpentry or tailoring) with musical training for leading worship
- Program length varies from 2-3 years

### College and University

- \$2500-\$4000 per year
- Instruction in English
- Government sponsored scholarships generally available only for medical education
- Tumaini University is one of only five universities in Tanzania, and the only accredited private college
- New school year begins in September
- Many bachelor degrees can be completed in three years

Many of the students sponsored by SOTV attend secondary schools owned and operated by the Iringa Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania: Pommern, Mtera, Bomalang'ombe, Ipalamwa, and Image Secondary Schools. Some students from Tungamalenga attend Idodi Secondary School, a government school for forms I-IV which is situated within parish boundaries. If you are interested in learning more about these schools, please contact a member of the Partnership Committee.