



LETTER FROM THE COUNCIL

You're Called to a "Special Work" by Irene Joel

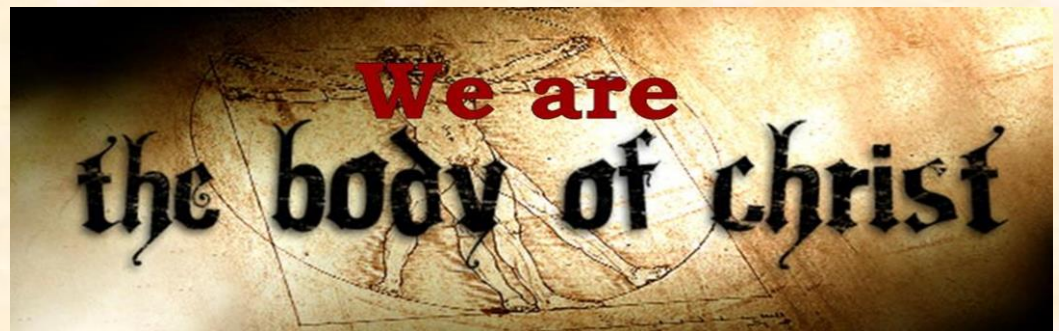
Ephesians 4:16 reads, "Each part helps the other parts grow."

Paul writes: "As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body [church] is healthy and growing and full of love." There are two kinds of growth – symbiotic growth and parasitic growth. Symbiotic growth is a give-and-take relationship in which both sides benefit. Parasitic growth is when one side feeds off another but gives nothing back.

So when you come out of church and say, "I didn't get anything out of that service," you may be practicing parasitic growth. Parasitic growth is characterized by such words as "pray for me, preach to me, counsel me, help me, but expect nothing from me." Symbiotic growth is characterized by such words as "yes, I have needs, but I'm willing to give too because everyone needs to benefit."

Your body is made up of systems. These include the nervous system, circulatory system, muscular system, lymphatic system, skeletal system, immune system, etc. These systems rely on one another. They are interdependent. So when one of them goes down, the rest of the body is negatively impacted by it.

Instead of saying, "I'm going to church," remind yourself, "I am the church." Paul writes: "The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ and God has put each part just where he wants it" (1 Corinthians 12:12, 18). God wants you to be a fully functioning part of His church. And if you're not sure what your "part" is, ask Him and He will show you.



ACC Council encourages you to offer your gifts to the church; Council members are ready to discuss with you how you can play your part.

Here is update on our Giving as at 15 August 2017.

Arusha Community Church Open Plate Offerings 2017



If Open Plate Offerings continue at the same rate, the shortfall will grow to almost **Tsh. 22,500,000** by Dec 31!

ACC Sunday school start of term

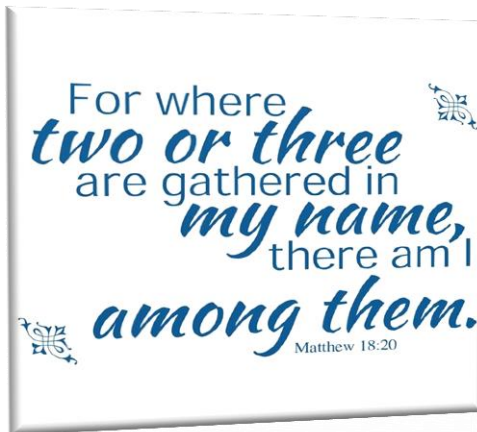
After a loooooong break, ACC Sunday school is finally starting up again: Sunday *September 3rd*.

All children aged 3-12 years are very welcome! We always join the "grownups" in church at the beginning of the service, then we march out to the Sunday school room after being prayed for by the worship leader. At Sunday school we always have a short worship first, and then we split into three groups (Love 3-6 years, Hope 7-9 year, Faith 10-12 years).

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For questions, send a text to Anne 0683 226 585 or Josephine 0762 819 286

New to ACC? Want to be introduced to other ACC congregational members? Not sure of our programs and activities? Want to be involved in some way, but not sure how? Want to receive Glad Tidings by email? Have a general question about Arusha that an old-timer may have the answer to? Every Sunday, a member of council is available after the service to assist and to answer your questions. OR please contact ACC via our church phone +255 782 397 708 and/or acc.neema@gmail.com and you will be responded to as quickly as possible. Our ACC website www.acc.habari.co.tz also provides information as does our ACC pamphlet available at the church door. As a congregation, we try to be welcoming to newcomers and visitors. But we also recognise that we are not always as welcoming as we might hope to be. If you are new to ACC and we have not reached out to you, please reach out to us and hopefully you will find a warm welcome and response. **Sunday School** for children is during church through the school year.



Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meets at ACC :	NA (Narcotics Anonymous) meets:
Monday 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm 6:00 pm	Tuesday 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
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Thursday 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	
Friday 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	
Saturday 10:00am – 11:00am	

ACC Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request and would like our members of our community to support you in prayer, contact the four key persons — if possible by SMS—and they will in-form the others from the prayer chain.

Erwin Kinsey	0754 480 184
Margaret Kenyi	0754 090 078
Susan Simonson	0754 266 559
Stella Karamuna	0754 281 337



Bible Studies @ ACC

Every **Sunday Morning** – 09:15 to 10:15am

Every **Wednesday evening** from 06:00 to 07:00pm. The group uses a study guide to look at different Bible chapters each week. Please contact Monica Odede odedem@yahoo.com, phone 0756963021 for more details and information.

Ladies Bible Study – meet every second Thursday at individual homes. Please contact Linda Jacobson, 0754 021 842 for more details and specific locations.

Mission Statement:

Arusha Community Church seeks to bring Christian praise and witness to God through worship, service and study. The congregation provides opportunity for Christian fellowship, service and witness, community outreach, personal growth and family growth. Recognizing the close link between worship and culture, Arusha Community Church has an inter-denominational ministry to the international community in Arusha.

ACC September 2017 Worship Sunday Services 10.30am

	3 September	10 September	17 September	24 September
Church Calendar	13th Sunday after Pentecost	14th Sunday after Pentecost	15th Sunday after Pentecost	16th Sunday after Pentecost
Service Type	Communion service	Morning worship	Communion Service	Family Service, Harvest Festival
Leader	Linda Jacobson	Peter Msumari	Michael Pallanore	Susan Simonson
Preacher	Rev. Katri Härkönen	Rev. Oliver O'Brien	Rev. Deborah Troester	Mark Jacobson
Musician(s)	Erwin Kinsey	Angela Schramm	Daniel Kalule	Wendy Willmore
Duty Elder	Johan Sundqvist	Moira Brehony	Deborah Troester	Irene Mchomvu
Prayer Team	Erwin Kinsey	Sharon Mkisi	Moira Brehony	Betty Mgaya
Sound	Edmund Ntwale	Edmund Massawe	Goodluck Kaaya	Gabriel Francis
Ushers	Godlishu Solomon / Roger Eliahu	Martin Mathews / Obeid Nicodemacy	Innocent John / Peter Feer	Roger Eliahu / Godlishu Solomon
Flowers	Joke Bruinsma/Willingness	Erwin Kinsey	Irene Mchomvu	Joke Bruinsma
Library	Fitsemt Dejene	Narola Mollel	Michael Murray	Elile Gideon
Books	Ramond D. Lema	Sion Miraa	Leon Veen	Nancy Kimaro
DVDs	Rachael Lema	Monice Lengere	Innocent John	Raymond Mashambo
Scripture Readings	Exodus 3:1-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28	Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 149 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	Exodus 14:19-31 Psalm 114 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35	Exodus 16:2-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16

Glad Tidings is ACC monthly newsletters used as one channel of communication to the congregation **and** to the general public. We invite articles from the overall congregation. The aim is to have Glad Tidings available to the congregation (both through email and by paper copies) **by the last Sunday of the month**. Therefore, To allow time to compile, edit and put together all the data and articles in the Newsletter format; all information / articles / announcements etc. have to be sent by at least **the second last Friday of the month**. **Due dates for information for the next months – mark your calendars!** *** 22nd September, 20th October *** Send your articles, service schedules, announcements, etc. to Fits fitsimtd@ethiopianairlines.com and copy to Neema, the Administrator: acc.neema@gmail.com