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Dear friends and partners,

We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ our savior. The community of Deaconesses” Abaja ba Kristo” is pleased to share with you news relating to the community in particular and the country of Rwanda in general.

First of all, we thank God for his kindness and everlasting love. As you know, the world is facing the Covid 19 pandemic and Rwanda continue to experience its negative effects where a huge number of infected people is growing daily. According to the health officials, we have 45,950 coronavirus cases, 521 death and 30,191 recovered. Among those infected the community of Abaja ba Kristo experienced 4 cases but they are in good condition and we believe and trust God for his mighty and protection. As the world needs God intervention to end this pandemic with other related negative effects, we ask every believer to seek the face of God for his intercession.

Despite the covid 19 pandemic, the community of Abaja ba Kristo has some good news to share with you. We were blessed to have Ruprecht Manz family in our midst 5 years ago. On 30th Mai 2021, it was a farewell celebration in our community where joy with tears were on our faces. The community is thanking Ruprecht Manz and his family for the committed work and their lover partnership during their stay at Rubengera. At the same occasion, the community of sisters was honored to receive our friend Mister Tim Bluthardt who joined us during farewell party of Manz family. We miss the family very much.



**Farewell ceremony
of Ruprecht family**

The students who are in Level 5 in RTC have finished their National exam and they are waiting for theories but that will depend on the Covid -19 situation.

The community is also happy to receive other visitors in July and August, namely the members of board of friends of Abaja ba Kristo foundation from Hollande on 20/8/2021. This will be a great joy for us, as they are some new members who wish to visit our community. It will come also Anneruth, Emmanuel, Simon and Linda all from Germany. Let us together pray for our visitors for protection and strength from Jesus Christ and that it will be realizable.

To empower its financial personals, the community organized a training of accountants, interne auditor, cashiers and other relevant personnel to acquire some financial skills that will accelerate efficiency in their daily activity.



From the capacity building perspective, other 6 sisters are following musical training that will allow the community choir to improve their way of singing and pleasing our Lord Jesus Christ.

To strengthen its institutions, Abaja ba kristo community plans to conduct a training of 4 days in July 2021, centered on the impact of leadership on development where all responsible of its institutions (schools, Bethel center, projects and departments) will be empowered trough this leadership training.

Other important news to share with you is that on 31/7/2021 we will have a consecration ceremony of 3 sisters and other two sisters who will have a jubilee day of 25 years in the community of Abaja ba Kristo. We ask your prayers and the guidance of Jesus Christ. It is very sad for us that we could not have a big party and invite a lot of people.

We cannot end our sharing without telling you that we are blessed to have new infrastructures. We had a chapel building which was very small and was a challenge to conduct some activities and respect some measures against Covid 19 pandemic. From 25 June 2021, we started its extension activities.

Also, we are very blessed to start a new building of Indatwa School on 5th July 2021. This building will answer many challenges that faced by the school and will sustain the education quality which is the main goal of our community.



Topics to pray for:

The guest house Bethel is no more receiving customers due to Covid-19.

As Covid is increasing a lot of people are facing a big problem of missing the basic needs.

Pray for the progress of the building projects and so that they can be a source of a work for those who are able to do such works and gain money.

To conclusion this message, we thank our God who is the provider of all blessings and uses our friends and partners to accomplish its mission.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

Blessings.

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