

HOUSES FOR HEALTH

A ministry partnership of
Alegent Health and the Nebraska Synod

The Situation

For the very poor of Tanzania, poverty leads to bad health and bad health leads to poverty. This is a vicious downward spiral particularly for Tanzanians living with HIV/AIDS.

There is some good news in that at least some of the HIV/AIDS sufferers are now able to receive medicines needed to help keep them alive. But we are finding that some of these people are living in such substandard housing (even by Tanzanian standards) that their health and even life is further threatened.

Houses for Health

Together, Alegent Health and the Nebraska Synod developed Houses for Health as a program to build very basic but dry and functional homes for specially targeted people:

- Those with severe health problems that are further threatened by serious substandard housing.
- Those living in extreme poverty.
- Those whose death would leave behind more orphans.

We learned a lot while building our first few houses and now we have completed more than 20 homes. The need is great and we are ready to build more. 100% local Tanzanian labor and 99% local materials are used. Cost to build a house is currently about \$4,000.

Your gift can build a house

If you, your congregation, or other group feels called to participate in this effort, funds can be directed to the Nebraska Synod. The Nebraska Synod administers the program with Bob Kasworm of Alegent Health managing the project in Tanzania. When you contributed, you can count on seeing and hearing about the individuals you are helping, along with pictures of their old and new homes.



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"Together, we live love with the grace and courage of Jesus."



Family in front of their new home.



Family in front of their former home.

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