

News of Heather Johnstone our Link Missionary

Me and my (imaginary) husband as posted by Heather on Facebook May 15th.

Heather regularly posts photos of the Rehema Coffee and Craft Shop and its workers and families on her Facebook page. If you haven't already and belong to Facebook do visit it @ Heather Rehema Johnstone. I try to update the display on her board at the back of the new part of the church as regularly as I can for those of you who do not belong to Facebook.



As our CMS Link Missionary we have pledged to support her both financially but also through prayer as she seeks to work with this project for disadvantaged women in Musoma, Tanzania. Our prayer support will be more meaningful if we can keep up to date with the current issues there. There is more too on the page for the Rehema Craft and Coffee Shop.

A current problem is the high price of staple grains and the latest from the Famine Early Warning System Network website says that the region of North Eastern Tanzania where Musoma is situated is counted as Stressed and could get to Crisis if the anticipated July harvest is low. Drought as I know you will be aware is a major problem for many countries in Eastern Africa. Although drought and famine are not uncommon there they have been getting worse as global temperatures rise and the weather systems become more chaotic. The work of the Rehema project aims to support these vulnerable people by providing work so they have some money with which to buy food to supplement what they are able to grow. With failing harvests this is the difference between starvation and survival. Please support Heather with your prayers and as a small portion of what we give in the weekly collection goes towards her work think carefully about whether you might be able to give a little more.

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