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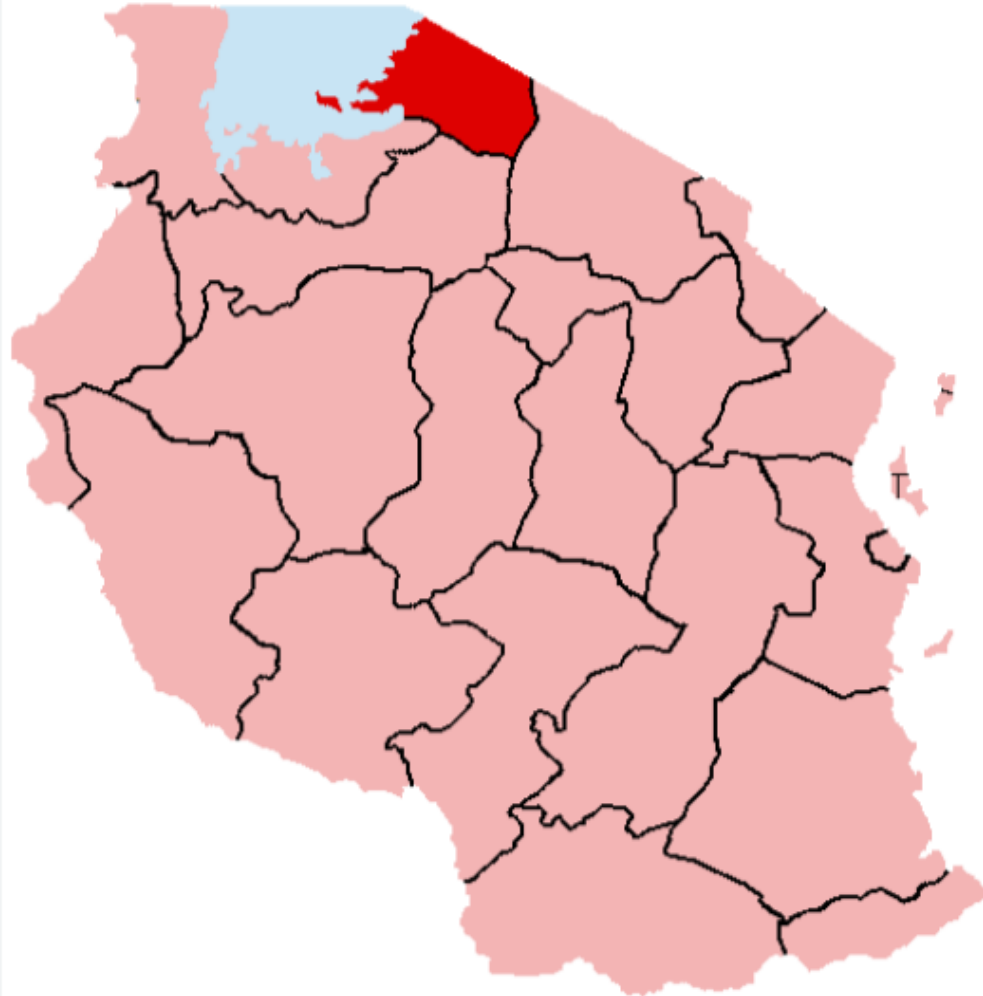
# Tanzania



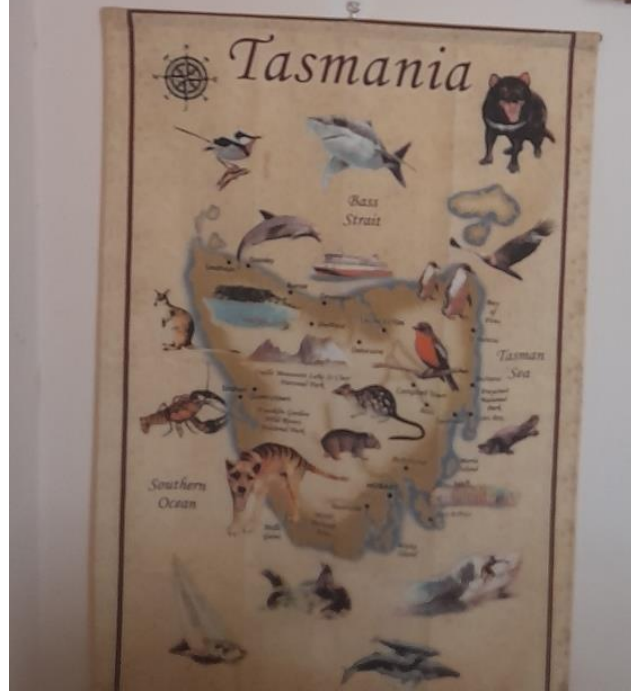
# Tanzania and Neighbours



# Location of Mara Region



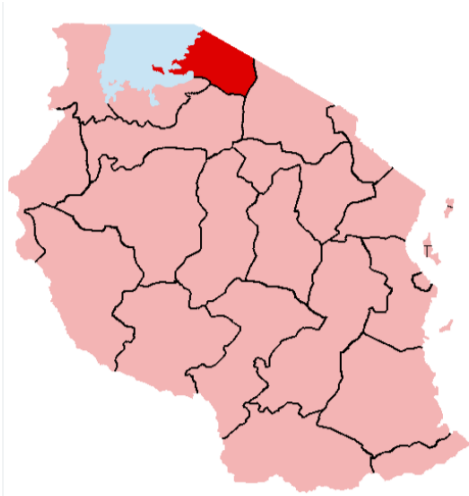




Take a look

**Tanzania**

**Tasmania**



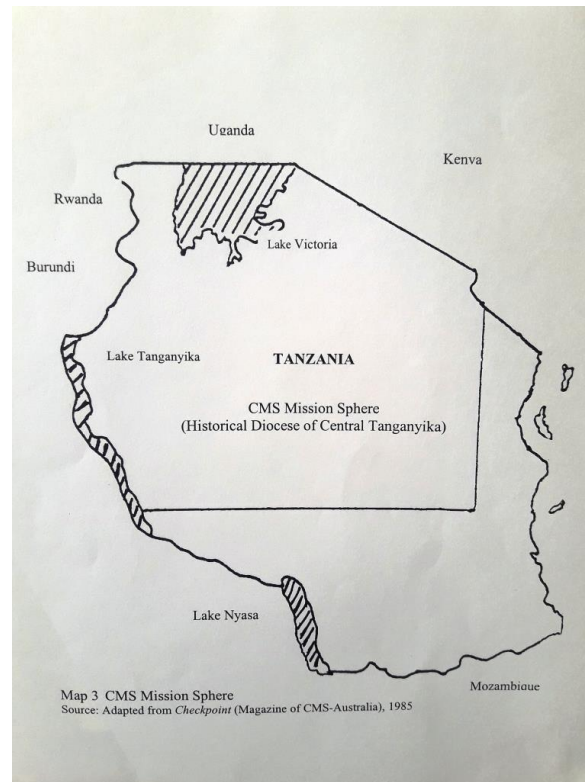
### Region 20: Mara

Map 20.0: Population Distribution by Council, Mara Region; 2022 PHC





**Square Box: Evangelical Wing (Ex-CMS).  
2/3 of Tanzania. 640,000 sq km.  
One Bishop (1927-1963).**



## Christianity in Central Tanzania

In the telling of the history of the Church Missionary Society (CMS) in Tanzania, the initiatives, contributions, and experiences of indigenous teachers have too often been neglected in favour of stories of sacrifices of Western missionaries. Bishop Mwita Akiri redresses this bias by using a socio-historical approach, written from an Afro-centric tradition, to evaluate the contributions and experiences of indigenous agents in the growth of Christianity in Tanzania. This book underscores the significance of oral tradition in African historiography and challenges the claim that foreign missionaries succeeded in destroying African cultures, when they are in fact alive and well. This much-needed research also provides a model for dialogue between the perspective of Christian missions and that of African religious and social heritage in order to continue forward with a Christianity that is authentic and also distinctly African.

*This long-awaited book by Mwita Akiri is a triumph of interdisciplinary scholarship. In his very thorough research, not only has Dr Akiri worked through the manuscript record and historical publications, but he has also interviewed dozens of men and women who participated in this history or had significant knowledge to share.*

**Alan L. Hayes, PhD**

Bishop Frederick and Helen Wilkinson Professor of the History of Christianity,  
Wycliffe College, University of Toronto, Canada

*The African church is still wrestling with the question of what it means to be at the same time authentically African and authentically Christian. Mwita Akiri's valuable in-depth study reveals the problems left by misconceived missionary strategies of Christian education, but also the crucial role played by indigenous Christians.*

**Brian Stanley, PhD**

Professor of World Christianity,  
University of Edinburgh, UK

Bishop MWITA AKIRI has a PhD in African Christianity from the University of Edinburgh, UK, and is currently a research professor and visiting lecturer in Mission and African History at Wycliffe College, University of Toronto, Canada. He served as the General Secretary of the Anglican Church of Tanzania for almost ten years, where he played a key role in establishing St John's University of Tanzania, Dodoma, Tanzania. He went on to be a founder of the Anglican Diocese of Tarime and was consecrated as Bishop of Tarime in 2010. He also acts as an external examiner for Uganda Christian University, Mukono, Uganda.



**Langham**  
MONOGRAPHS



MWITA AKIRI

# Christianity in Central Tanzania



A Story of African Encounters and Initiatives  
in Ugogo and Ukaguru, 1876–1933

Christianity in Central Tanzania

MWITA AKIRI

**Christian Education Creates**

**Champions of  
Change in Society.  
Change for Better**

# Population of **Mara Region** 2022 National Census

**Population** 2,372,015

**277** secondary schools.

**238** government: 146,690 students

**39** private: 8,207 students.

# Population of Tarime District & Schools (2022 National Census)

**TARIME Population: 537,891**

**Government Secondary Schools: 63**

# Public & Private Schools in Tarime

Tarime: 63 government  
8 private/church 523 students  
5 in Tarime Rural 623 students.

**TALANTA  
PRE-SCHOOL**

**Thanks to  
Anglican Aid**



# TALANTA

## PRE - PRIMARY SCHOOL

**ENGLISH MEDIUM  
CHEKECHEA NA AWALI  
"TUNAKUZA VIPAJI"**

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**MAWASILIANO :- 0753 519 336  
0686 967 588  
0653 163 144**

**TUPO REBU TENKINI**   
**MITA 300**



**TALANTA**  
**is Swahili**  
**for “Talents”**

**School Motto:  
We Grow  
Talents**







# Pius: A Tomato Seller. A Christian. His son attends Our Pre-School





**TALANTA PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**0753 519 336**  
**0686 967 588** (ENGLISH MEDIUM)

**0653 163 144** Our Motto: "We Grow Talents"

# **Buildings & School Bus**

**Dedicated by**

**Archbishop Kanishka**

**in April 2023**



# Dedication Videos

**12** Kids: January 2024

**14** More Joined Later

**Total Now 26.**

More expected  
in January 2025.

# Videos of Happy Kids 5 Minutes

# Another Education Project

# Poverty Reduction Through Christian Education

In partnership with  
Anglican Aid

**SECONDARY  
SCHOOL  
FOR GIRLS**

# Education for Girls = Opportunity for Social Advancement and Equality



# Christian Education for Children and Young People

**There is Great NEED**

**There is OPPORTUNITY  
to make a difference**





**Population of  
Tanzania in 2022  
(National Census)  
59,851,347**

**Teenagers (age 14-17)  
supposed to be in  
secondary school in  
Tanzania 2023 -**

**5,461,655**

**How many**

**Were selected?**

**Just over 1**

**million.**

**Boys**

**489,533**

**Girls**

**531,881**

**Christian Education Creates  
Opportunity for  
Champions of Change**

*“It is through education that the daughter of a peasant can become a doctor, that the son of a mineworker can become head of the mine, that a child of a farm worker can become the President of a great nation.”*

*– Nelson Mandela*

**Roofs Done in 2022**

**Thanks to Anglican Aid**



# A Typical Ward Level Government Secondary School



**See the Difference**

# TWO BUILDINGS – FOUR CLASSROOMS



# Thanks to Anglican Aid



# LIBRARY & ADMIN OFFICE

## Thanks to Anglican Aid

**We Need Floor Tiles, Doors, Windows, Books, Tables, Chairs**



**DORMITORY THREE WINGS – CAPACITY 400+**  
**Roof Done but WE NEED**

**DORM TOILETS, FLOOR TILES, WINDOWS, DOORS, BEDS**



# ONE SCIENCE LABORATORY DONE 2023

WE NEED FUNDS for **Floor Tiles, Windows, Doors, Lab Tables, Science Equipment etc**



# TEMPORARY OUTDOOR KITCHEN

**No Tiles, No Windows, No Doors,  
No Plumbing Works, No Kitchen Equipment**





# OUTDOOR COMMUNAL TOILET

Needed: **Wall & Floor Tiles, Windows, & Doors**



# Teacher's House: Wall Completed No More Funds



**Apart from the Completion of the  
Buildings, We Still Need**

**Security Fence,**

**Power Supply (Electricity)**

**Sewage System**

**Water Borehole**

**OUR GOAL. OUR DESIRE.  
OUR PRAYER**

**To Start in  
January 2025**

“If God blesses you financially,  
then, don't raise your  
standard of Living. Raise your  
Standard of Giving”

- Mohammed Dewji  
(A Tanzanian Businessman)

“... that they may have life,  
and have it abundantly.” (John 10:11b)

Create **Opportunity** for  
**Development** in Africa  
Through **Christian** School  
**Education.**

**“... that they may have life,  
and have it abundantly.” (John 10:11b)**

**Make it Happen.**

**Together We Can.**

**Please Continue Supporting  
Anglican Aid.**

**“... that they may have life,  
and have it abundantly.” (John 10:11b)**

**One World.  
One Mission.**



**Welcome to Tanzania**

**Video of Australians in Tarime,  
Tanzania**