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Bishop Kisanji Girls' School in Tanzania

Last year, Sr Gillian Taylor visited Tanzania, and among other projects visited the Bishop Kisanji Girls' School. Here she was able to see the girls' dormitory that was being built with the assistance of money donated by the MWA, and she reported this in the Messenger (December 2014). which also had a photograph of the dormitory without a roof.



The roof has now been completed thanks to money from the MWA, see the new photos below.

Here is some information about education in Tanzania which came from the Moravian Church's Provincial World Mission Committee.

Since 2005, approximately 3,500 new secondary schools have been set up. However, there are still many classrooms without windows, doors or even seats. On average, 3 pupils have to share one text book.







The Tanzania Government estimates that they need another 43,441 teachers. An average sized class has 45 pupils to each teacher.

16% of young people are illiterate. In total about 14 million people can neither read nor write - about one third of the population.

Many schools have no funding because the Government pays over the education budget to the district administrations and very often the money gets no further. The 'Daily News' newspaper has reported the story of a 25 year old mother of three who attends the same primary school as her children. She is in year 5 and is only one year ahead of her eldest daughter.

In addition, girls of school age who have to live away from home need secure and safe dormitory accommodation to help keep them safe from sexual violence.

The MWA is giving £1,500 to this worthwhile project.

With thanks to Sr Gillian Taylor and the Provincial World Mission Committee
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