

## BHMC Partner Ministry

### East Africa Leadership Training



*Going where the church is not... yet.*

### **About East Africa Leadership Training**

The Mennonite Churches of Tanzania and Kenya are growing with over 5,000 new members each year. Current membership in these two churches numbers over 75,000 members. The church lacks leaders for these new believers. The Mennonite Theological College of East Africa provides training for leaders who can leave home and jobs for several years. However, many church members cannot leave current responsibilities to attend school for long periods of time. The Kenyan and Tanzanian Churches have invited Joe and Gloria Bontrager to assist the church in developing ways to train leaders which are suitable for those who cannot commit themselves to study for several years at the college. Joe and Gloria served as missionaries in both Tanzania and Kenya in past years. They have been invited by the church to work at developing leadership training materials which can be used in the rural areas as well as the cities. The materials also need to be appropriate for those with a primary school education and those with university degrees

Funds for this budget item are used to support the work of providing leadership materials and doing seminars with current church leaders who will be doing much of the training of the new leaders in local churches. With rapid growth in the churches, and the average size of a congregation at 100 members, 100 new churches are started each year. That means 100 new leaders need to be trained each year.

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