

TO OUR FRIENDS IN THE CHURCH DISTRICT MUELHEIM

GERMANY

Dar es Salaam, 5 May 2020

Greetings to all of you!

I would like to send you many many greetings, in particular from the Binti Mama Project here in Tanzania. We also want to give you our heartfelt good wishes and our “pole sana” for the crisis of the Covid 19 outbreak which is all over the world now.

We thank God that He continues to protect us and we continue to pray to Him that he will protect you, our friends in Germany. We hope that God will bring us together again in the near future.

For now, we at the Binti Mama Project have started to make cloth face masks which are very much needed now here in Dar es Salaam. We do this work on 3 days a week (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). We are working in shifts so that there are not more than 4 girls at the same day in order to make sure that we can keep social distancing while working.

The tailoring of the face masks enables us to get food and some other needs such as soap for the binti mama and their children. This is very important especially in this dangerous time where it is safer to stay home. The making of face masks is a small project within our Binti Mama Project which you know for many years now and you have been our good friends and supporters.

We have one small sewing machine which the girls are using in shifts. So we need another one to be able to make more masks per day. After the Covid 19 outbreak will be overcome, we plan to use the sewing machines also for making handbags and children’s clothes as a continuation of the Binti Mama Project. We would be very happy if you could support the Binti Mama to buy a second, stronger sewing machine and the small project of making face masks in this difficult time for all of us.

Thank you and may God protect you!

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