New Apostolic Church USA
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My very dear Brothers and Sisters,

For some time our Chief Apostle has carried a hope in his soul that there would be more District Churches in Africa since approximately eight million out of the eleven million New Apostolics worldwide reside on this continent.

Our USA Apostles and I prayed that we could find a way to help our Chief Apostle see his wish fulfilled. During the latter part of May, Apostles Hammer, Hecht and Kolb and I conducted a series of seminars, meetings and services with our East African Apostles to implement a plan towards self-sufficiency and establishing an independent District of East Africa (consisting of the countries of Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda). This plan may take several years to achieve.

Of course, many changes will ensue with this project. As a first step, our Chief Apostle shall visit Tanzania in November. All East African Apostles will accompany him. Our USA brothers, whom you so loyally supported, will now begin to withdraw from their investments in these countries. During his visit our Chief Apostle will commission Apostle Shadreck Lubasi as District Apostle Helper. In the future he shall report directly to me as we go further in the development of a District Church "East Africa". Apostle Lubasi is from Zambia but our East African Apostles have embraced him and support him as a brother. As of this moment he serves as a project leader for this undertaking until November.

Out of these decisions there also comes a plus for our home territory. Our Apostles and Ministers will have more time and opportunity to serve us here. We will continue to support various humanitarian and spiritual projects in these countries; therefore, your continued prayers and support will be greatly appreciated.

I feel it is appropriate at this time to lay very deep, sincere and humble thanks into your hearts for all the support you have offered for so many years. To our brothers, who loyally sacrificed to build up this work so that such a transition could take place, I say no words are sufficient to express our thankfulness. May the Almighty God reward you beyond measure.

Once again I thank you for all you have invested and be assured that our Heavenly Father does not overlook anything that is done for His own.

With all our love,

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