

Volker and JinHyeog Glissmann

Location: **Blantyre, MALAWI**

Mission: **Theological education**



The Glissmanns are living in Malawi. Jinhyeog is involved in a local Primary School as a music teacher. Volker works off-campus as a programme developer for TEEC, the Theological Education by Extension College in Johannesburg, South Africa, and does grassroots theological training in Malawi.

God, as a co-editor and co-publisher

Once in a while, God move projects forward in an unplanned, unexpected and surprising way. One of my side projects is to edit a book with a colleague about early pioneers' experiences in TEE from the 1970s to the 2000s. The book is about learning from many experiences in diverse countries, situations and churches to help contemporary TEE practitioners in their own ministry. We decided that to serve the global TEE movement, we will start a publisher (then the books can be offered more accessible in ebooks)

One of the contributors to the project mentioned in their draft a beneficial book that had helped the individual a lot when they envisioned their own TEE programme. The book was published in Kenya by an Australian Anglican missionary and TEE course writer who had been in Kenya for 30 years. To cut a long story short, we decided to see if we could still find the individual and if the person might be interested in contributing. Generally, it is not always possible to locate individuals, and not everyone can contribute.



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Within 24 hours, we established contact. We then asked if she would be interested in contributing to the book. We then learned that she had kept her archive, and she "found a treasure trove of information that I had largely forgotten about since coming home from Kenya and putting it all away in a safe place. Since I've always had a love of history my TEE records were all kept "in case" and so I shall be able to supply you with a fairly accurate history of the development of TEE in the Anglican Church of Kenya, as well as an article that tells of my experiences being so closely involved in that work." We then spoke about her tutor training book for TEE practitioners. We are now finalising the discussion with her if the book that is out of print could be revised, updated and republished to allow contemporary practitioners to benefit. Very humbling how God arranges all of this suddenly and how the individual was so prepared and eager to be part of what we do. God shows that he is our co-editor and co-publisher!

Prayer Points

- Praise the Lord for how he prepared the contact with a real important and experienced TEE expert ahead of us.
- Please pray for Malawi, as the last few months have brought many challenges. Please continue praying for the flood victims of Cyclone Freddy and for the government to restore services.
- Please continue to pray for the health and safety of the whole family.