

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.

Book project: AATEEA TEE in Africa book project (preliminary interviews)

Last year in October, I attended the AATEEA (All Africa TEE Association) 5th quadrennial conference in Kigali, Rwanda. The AATEEA was formed to help African TEE programs network, exchange and support each other. A few months ago, the AATEEA General Secretary, Rev Dr Kangwa Mabuluki and Volker discussed the possibility of bringing together African TEE leaders to reflect on the developments of TEE in Africa. The last book published on TEE in Africa is 30 years old. Many things have happened since then. Professor Eric Anun from Ghana kindly agreed to join the editorial team. We launched the book project during the conference. The first step is for Volker to conduct a series of interviews to hear directly from different TEE programmes about their contexts, history, developments since founding, challenges and needs.

MARCH 2023

Volker is soon finishing the remaining interviews, and then the answers will be evaluated to see the common themes in all these areas. The next step will be to invite some African TEE practitioners to reflect further, based on their experience and the interviews, which will function as the collective voice of TEE programmes in Africa. Ultimately, we hope that AATEEA can better serve TEE programmes in Africa through all this.

Communication (especially during the rainy season in southern Africa) is a challenge that has delayed the project. As Malawi is coming to the end of the rains, I hope we can finish the remaining interviews shortly.



Prayer Points

- Praise God for the opportunities to work on the AATEEA book project. Please pray for the remaining interviews and the next step of the project.
- Please pray for Malawi and South Africa, as the last few months have brought many challenges. Please continue to pray for good and gentle rains so that Malawi is food secure this year.
- Please continue to pray for the health and safety of the whole family.