

Calendar of Blessings

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Use this calendar to celebrate your many blessings and contribute to World Services-Self Denial. Find interesting facts about Tanzania and The Salvation Army on the back of this calendar that correlate with each day's blessing.

October 2016

1
If you were awake at 12 a.m. today, pay 12¢.

2
Pray for our General, then give 20¢.

3
Did it rain today? If so, give 5¢. If it did not, give 10¢.

4
Give 20¢ if you drove on a paved road today. Give 10¢ for each construction zone you passed through.

5
Pay 7¢ if you do not know what the Founder's Song is.

6
Give 5¢ for every phone call you make today.

Give 10¢ for every text you send today.

7
Give a penny for every window in your house.

8
Did you spend time on the internet today? If so, give 25¢.

9
Can you recite all 11 Salvation Army doctrines? Pay nothing if you can; pay 22¢ if you can't.

10
Give 50¢ if you took or plan to take a vacation this year.

11
Hug each person who lives in your house. Then give 5¢ for each one.

12
Give 2¢ for every pair of socks you own.

Give away those you will never wear.

13
Give 3¢ for every coffee mug in your house.

14
Give 10¢ for every teacher you can name that has had an impact on your life.

15
Give 25¢ for every television show you watched today.

16
Pray for Christians in other countries. Then give 50¢.

17
Give 5¢ for every child or grandchild of yours that is in school.

18
Pray for our nation and the upcoming elections, then pay 15¢.

19
Did you visit an apple/pumpkin farm or farmer's market this month?

If yes, give 20¢. If no, give 50¢.

20
Many people around the world don't have access to clean water.

Give 25¢ for each glass of water you drink today.

21
If you have served as a missionary or on a short-term missions team, tell someone about your experience. If not, give 25¢.

22
Count up the number of shoes you own, then give 5¢ per pair.

Pray for people who are too poor to own any shoes.

23
Are you part of a music group at The Salvation Army? Rejoice! And give 23¢.

24
Give 15¢ if you earned a high school diploma. Give an extra 5¢ if you had/have the opportunity for further education.

25
If you have read at least one book this month, pay nothing. If not, pay 20¢.

26
Pray for our cadets at the College for Officers Training in Chicago. Then give 17¢.

27
Give 25¢ for each meal you eat today.

Give 10¢ for every snack you eat.

28
Pray for the leadership at our corps. Then give 30¢

29
If you didn't work today, give 15¢. If you did work, only give 10¢.

30
It is important to be in community with other Christians. Give 10¢ if you went to church today. Pay 25¢ if you did not.

31
Tell a friend about God's blessings to you this month.

Then give 31¢.



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Tanzania & The Salvation Army

1	The sun rises at 6:00 a.m. and sets at 6:00 p.m. in Tanzania every day. The Tanzanian time zone is 7 hours ahead of EDT. So if it is 12 midnight in Michigan, it is 7:00 a.m. Tanzania and the Tanzanian people are starting their day.
2	General André Cox, the 20th General of The Salvation Army, was elected by the High Council in August 2013 to lead The Salvation Army world-wide.
3	Tanzania lies just south of the equator. They experience two seasons—a dry season and a rainy season.
4	There are 56, 575 miles of roadways throughout Tanzania. Little more than 7% are paved.
5	The Salvation Army began work in Tabora, Tanganyika in 1933.
6	By 2008, there were 150,000 landlines in Tanzania, but 2 million people were using cell phones. That is less than 5% of the population of Tanzania.
7	In urban areas, Tanzanians live in houses and apartments. In rural areas, Tanzanians build small dwellings, framed with wood poles and branches, covered with clay mud, and topped with thatched roofs. Oh, and there is no electricity.
8	Only 15% of Tanzania has access to electricity.
9	In 1950, the Colonial Governor invited The Salvation Army to take over the Mgulani Camp in Dar es Salaam. Today, The Salvation Army Tanzania Territory supports 82 corps, providing life-changing services in over 150 communities.
10	Safari means <i>trip</i> or <i>journey</i> in Swahili. Each year, over 300,000 visitors enjoy the Serengeti National Park, home to approximately 70 large mammal species and 500 bird species.
11	More than tribal or ethnic identity, family ties are important in Tanzanian cultures. Families gather to commemorate births, marriages, deaths, and good harvests.
12	Cotton is one of Tanzania's cash crops. It is used in its textile industry and is exported to Asian and European markets.
13	Coffee is the most valuable export for Tanzania.
14	October 14 is Mwalimu Nyerere Day . In 1964, Julius Nyerere became the first president of the newly formed Republic of Tanzania. He served as president for 21 years. Before that he was a schoolteacher. Mwalimu is the Swahili word for <i>teacher</i> .
15	Television came late to Tanzania. State-run television was established in 2001.
16	It is estimated that Tanzania is 30% Christian and 35% Muslim. The islands of Zanzibar is 99% Muslim.
17	The Salvation Army operates the Matumaini Primary School, a boarding school for disabled and albino children.
18	Tanganyika attained independence from British Colonial rule in 1961; Zanzibar in 1963. In 1964, the mainland and the islands united as one nation, the Republic of Tanzania.
19	More than 70% of Tanzanians live in rural areas and depend on agriculture for their livelihood. However, rough terrain and climate conditions limit cropland to only 4% of the land.
20	The Salvation Army provides access to clean water in rural Tanzanian communities by building wells and boreholes.
21	There are currently 16 officers and 1 soldier from the U.S. Central Territory serving in various places overseas. You can find bios of each at http://centralmissions.org/partners-in-mission/central-territory-missionaries Pray for our missionaries.
22	Viatu (vee-AH-too) is the Swahili word for <i>shoes</i> .
23	Tanzanian Salvationists conduct lively church services, praising God with song and dance.
24	Tanzanian children go to primary school for 7 years and secondary school for 2 to 4 years. However, only 6% of all school children move on to secondary school.
25	Only half of Tanzanian women complete the 5th grade. The Salvation Army Women's Ministries runs literacy programs that teach women basic math, reading and writing skills.
26	The Tanzania Territory is currently training 17 cadets (the largest session to date) in Dar es Salaam. Since resources are limited, children of cadets must stay at home with family members while their parents study and train to become Salvation Army Officers.
27	Many Tanzanians must grow their own food to feed their families. The Salvation Army provides education programs to encourage good farming practices.
28	The Tanzania Territory inaugurated a corps leadership training program for the preparation and placement of mature committed Salvationists seeking to lead new corps plants. Last year, thirty people were trained.
29	The average Tanzanian makes less than \$30 a week, but many families survive on less than \$1 a day. The Salvation Army assists families through microcredit programs in which participants receive \$100 and training to develop income-generating projects that lead to steady income.
30	Poverty and hardship is prevalent in Tanzania. But the Salvation Army is a shining light of hope in the communities in which we serve.