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## New District Apostle Helper for East Africa

Zurich. Apostle Shadreck Mundia Lubasi is to become the new District Apostle Helper for East Africa. Chief Apostle Wilhelm Leber will carry out this appointment in a divine service scheduled to take place in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania in November. The Chief Apostle relates that this is a first step in the creation of the new District Apostle District of East Africa, which is to be established over the course of the next few years. This district will include the East African countries of Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Chief Apostle Leber began by informing the Apostles who live in these countries, or who travel there for missionary work, about the change. In the context of its overall church strategy, the New Apostolic Church is targeting greater self-sufficiency among the District Churches of Africa, explained the Chief Apostle. A special Project Group under the direction of Apostle Lubasi has been assigned the task of putting this strategy into effect for the countries of Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda. The required organisational and financial measures are currently being defined and implemented.

Apostle Lubasi is 59 years old and lives in Nairobi. In addition to his mother tongue of Lozi, he also speaks English and Tonga. The future District Apostle Helper will continue to report to his District Apostle Richard Freund (USA). The American Apostles and ministers who have until now been travelling to these three countries will gradually withdraw from this missionary work. Regarding this, Chief Apostle Leber said the following: "I would like express my heartfelt thanks to all Apostles and

ministers who worked with such great dedication in East Africa, often for many years, for all their blessed labours.”

District Apostle Richard Freund, who is responsible for the organisation of the New Apostolic Church in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda, has sent a letter to his American brothers and sisters. In it he mentions among other things that, of the eleven million New Apostolic Christians around the world, some eight million live on the African continent. In Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda, there are over two million New Apostolic Christians in around 5,000 congregations, who are provided with pastoral care by some 18,000 ministers.

Read our [Letter from District Apostle Richard Freund](#) to his brethren in the 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 than approximately eight million out of the eleven million New Apostolic Christians worldwide reside on this continent.

Our USA Apostle and I shared that we could find a way to help our Chief Apostle see his vision fulfilled. During the last part of the Apostolic Summer, he and I did just that in a series of meetings, meetings and articles with our East African Apostles to introduce a plan to establish more New Apostolic Churches in independent states of East Africa (Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda). This plan may see some parts in action.

Of course, many things will have to be done. As a first step, our Chief Apostle will visit Tanzania in November. A East African Apostles will accompany him. Our USA Brother, whom you already support, will travel with him to witness how the situation in these countries. Meeting the other Chief Apostles will contribute greatly towards our Chief Apostle's vision. It is the plan to visit next directly to me as we go further in the development of a New Apostolic Church in East Africa. I would like to have a chance to see East African Churches here with understanding and love.

Our East African Apostles are the ones who will be responsible. Our Apostle and I will be there more often and opportunity to serve us here. We will continue to support various activities and special projects in these countries. However, your continued prayer and support will be greatly appreciated.

I thank you for your support in the past. In very close, sincere and humble thank you for all the support you have offered for all these years. To our Father, who sends sufficient to meet the needs of the poor, I pray that you will be able to do so for the people who are in need of your love and support. With the strength of our Father's love, we will be able to do so.

Once again I thank you for all you have done and will be done for our New Apostolic Church. We will continue working that all those for whom we pray.

With all our love,