Mfereji food relief distribution report:

Mfereji is a masai town situated around 40k from Arusha. We were contacted by a local Lutheran church in the Lengijave area where they were asking if it was possible we came with food for them as they had not had any rain this year and thereby no harvest and they were starving. The road getting there was

terrible, actually not existing! To find the place we used a local to guide us.

The truck that we hired to bring the maize and beans to the church got stuck and we had to pull him free, it was lucky we came as he had spend the night there trying to get out.

This trip was special as I had my daughter, 2 grandchildren and a family friend with me to help distribute.

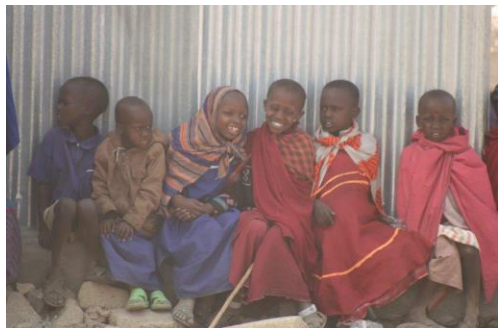Also Margaret Madsen from Sanjaranda was with us.

Women, men and children had come from far to get food. We had brought 4 tons of maize to distribute among 200 families and 2 bags of beans to help give them protein for their diet. When we arrived the women were playing music and singing to us in front of the church it was a big surprise, one we have not experienced before.

Many people patiently waited for it to become their turn to get in line for the maize.

Many came from far away, bringing their donkeys for carrying the food. Its so dry and dusty. Some even brought chairs for us to sit on.

Waiting for food, and HAPPILY receiving their portion, it was a GOOD DAY for these families.

The old man on the picture to the right was vomiting and passed out due to lack of water and food, while we were there. We feel like we should help in this new area with food relief until they again get rain and a harvest. Since it at present is harvest time here in Tz and the maize price is low we would like to buy maize to store so we can help in a longer period. Now we can buy a sack of maize (100kg) for ca. 175kr whereas around December it will be double price. If you would like to contribute to this food the account nr. is: **IBAN Account: DK 7097 1207 4179 3075 - Swift/Bic code: JYSPDK2G**