

Peter Ngwili, Director of Community Development, Diocese of Mara-Ukerewe, came to the diocese as Director of Community Development in 2006. Peter is a Kenyan whom God has called to serve the poor. His passion for this work is palpable. Peter is a graduate of the University of Nairobi, with an undergraduate degree in business administration and a graduate degree in community and economic development. Peter developed a three-year training program (the Church and Community Mobilization Program-CCMP) with the aim of helping individuals and villages become less dependent on outside resources. The training has been completed in forty villages and is currently underway in another ten.

Through the CCMP scores of villagers have been enabled to identify and leverage their own resources (intellectual, spiritual, physical, and material) to meet many of the challenges faced by those living in rural Tanzania. (If you are aware of the work of Brian Fikkert, author of When Helping Hurts, you will understand the nature of Peter's work.)

As a key feature of the CCMP, Peter developed the training program for villages where water well projects have been completed. With this training church and village leadership create and implement the systems needed to ensure the sustainability of the water wells. Under Peter's guidance 146 well projects have been completed and all continue to produce. Another five projects are under construction.

