

Mt. Meru Coffee Project

Supporting Families

Growing Futures

Changing Lives

The Mt. Meru Project began in 1999 and by paying fair prices to the small coffee farmers on the slopes of Mt. Meru in Tanzania, the project has steadily improved their standard of living. These farmers earn enough to send their children to school and to pay for health care for their families. In addition, the farmers receive regular training from agricultural experts on proper growing techniques, pest control, and environmentally sound methods.

Mt. Meru Coffee is professionally taste tested and is rated as *premium*, the highest rating, and yet is less expensive than most other fair-trade coffees available online. The raw beans, or *cherries*, are sent to Milwaukee and roasted and flavored at Martin Luther Lutheran Church on Bluemound Rd.

Spring Blend

This special blend brings premium peaberry coffee from a number of areas of Mt. Meru for a perfect blend for spring. This Spring Blend is Vienna roasted!



Place an order at the display table in Bruemmer Hall, or contact Barb Carroll 414-248-6062 or msbumblbe@aol.com. Orders are usually received within one week and you can pay on delivery.

Our Partner's Need

While the impact on improving quality of life for our partner farmers has been substantial because of the Coffee Project, our ability to continue to financially support them is currently in jeopardy due to the pandemic. Our congregations have not been gathering in person, resulting in a 30% decrease in sales – a \$25,000 shortfall. Promoting special holiday packages and offering free shipping to encourage online orders has helped move inventory, but there is a real cost to this as well. The volume of beans imported each year can be managed, but the goal - the mission - is to maintain our support of the farmers in our partner Meru Diocese through farmer training and financial support, regardless of sales volume.

Your Help Now

Your help is needed now in order to sustain this project through the pandemic, until congregations can return to their previous level of activity.

Please make a donation to the Mt. Meru Coffee Project online at www.mtmerucoffee.org/donate, or send a check to Mt. Meru Coffee Project at P.O. Box 313, Waukesha WI 53187

Thank you.