Fr. Stanley Ives OTTO 65 USA TZA

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Together with his twin brother Joseph, he attended the parochial school of St. Barnabas, Philadelphia; together they went to Cornwells in 1935 for six years of high school and college. Together they made their profession at Ridgefield Aug. 15, 1942; together also they were ordained June 10, 1948 at Ferndale. Their studies there had been interrupted for half a year of prefecting together at St. Joseph Home, Philadelphia.

Together still they sailed for Tanzania in 1949 to work in the Kilimanjaro district. There they finally parted with Joe going to Kilema and Stan to Kibosho. In April 1953 Joe died when, despite of being ill with the flu, he tried to say Mass on Easter Sunday for his people. He fainted at the altar, fell backward, striking his head, and died a few days later with Stan at his bedside.

Although Stan took it with great courage, as he himself expressed it, "I am like a man with one leg only, with Joe gone." Something went out of him that nothing or no one could replace. He continued to work with his usual devotion, but "literally part of him had died with Joe."

After twenty years in Africa, he returned ailing to the USA in 1969, and was assigned to Sacred Heart, Emsworth. Two years later, he became vocations director with residence at DU. He considered returning to Africa in 1973, but it did not materialize. He then became community bursar at DU and held this position for fourteen years. During that time he was also very active in raising funds for his beloved African missions.

Suffering from cancer, he retired to Bethel Park, PA, in mid 1987 and died a few months later at the Vincentian Home. Burial was at the Cornwells community cemetery.

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