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Dear Dr. Alexandersson,

Enclosed please find the manuscript “Religion and HIV in Tanzania: Influence of Religious Beliefs on HIV Stigma, Disclosure, and Treatment Attitudes” (MS: 9958145242184480) resubmitted for publication on BioMed Central in a revised form.

A list of changes we have made to address the points raised by the reviewer follows.

REVIEWER 3: Sheryl McCurdy

3.1. Discussion of correlation between ARV knowledge and hypothetical willingness to begin ARVs (page 22).

- The sentence beginning “Instead, the strong correlation between lack of ARV knowledge…” has been broken into two shorter sentences.
- The sentence beginning “These results are consistent with a previous study…” has been deleted.

3.2. “The quality of the discussion section is flawed by the presentation of new references”

- The Introduction and Discussion sections were rewritten so that the majority of the references are introduced in the Introduction section.

3.3. Typos: ‘where’ → ‘were’ and ‘that’ → ‘than’

- Thank you for noticing these typos, they have been corrected.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

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