

My Friends,

Back in the US....what a trip so far. Well, we finally made it back...and what a trip it has been so far. As many of you know, I certainly had mixed emotions about coming back to the US, but I never would have imagined what was to take place (even in this first short month). First the love which we have been shown by everyone has been amazing...but this was the part of the plans I had no doubt about since our friendships and family are grounded in Jesus. To come back to family and friends who we have not seen in 3 1/2 years (and some who we have literally never seen since they became friends over the last three years) has been fantastic....love, it truly is the elixer of life. We have been accepted back with open arms and the hospitality extended to us to meet any and all of our needs continues to be lavished upon us...thank you Lord for the people you have placed in our lives.

While it certainly has been challenging to continue to work with people at the children's home because of the challenges in Kenya and us being 1/2 a world away, it has worked. Bosco has been giving 100% to manage the home. While I know he is anxious, confused at times, and nervous about the whole thing, he has been so faithful and God is in the center of it all. The kids are on-track to get back to school this up-coming week after their break and God's grace for providence for keeping them fed, clothed and educated has been totally sufficient. I must publically thank the Lord for His continued grace in taking care of the kids He has entrusted to us...and also thank you.

Personally I have had an issue (Tammy tells me this all the time though)...it appears I am having seizures. They started the day we were leaving to come back to the States (literally 4 hours before we were to get on the flight) and they have continued to this day. Even though they are now happening daily, I believe they are subsiding in intensity. Through Godly connections we have had physicians working with each other to get me examined (free of charge) and hopefully the cause of the seizures can be found. It is apparent to all involved that the underlying cause could have something to do with the fungal and parasites I have picked up in Kenya (which I am now on medication to get rid of). What they don't know is if there is an issue with the brain (which again could be parasites), but they are faithfully moving toward getting the appropriate tests done to see how to move forward. What a faithful God we serve to have us be in the States where the medical expertise is available to have these things checked out.

So what do I conclude at the end of my first month back in the States...it simply continues to be all in the hands of God....same as it has been for the last 3 1/2 years in Kenya. As you can see, life is just simply crazy. You don't know from one moment to the next what is happening. The thing I have found in this brief 1 month we have been on the ground is, no matter what is happening, the love of our Savior Jesus, which is shown through His people, is key to being at peace (whether in Kenya or the US)...no matter what is occurring you can find contentment by seeking and seeing the love of Christ...and returning it to others as you can through service to the Great I Am and His people. May God continue to bless you with relationship with Him through the love of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

What is happening back in Kenya. The kids were out of school most of this month on break and are heading back this up-coming week. By the grace of God and your support we have had tutors coming daily to enhance the kids learning. Both the kids and teachers have noticed a remarkable increase in marks due to having the tutors, so as long as we have the funds I believe it will be part of the on-going activities at the home. The farm has not done that great. We were in the "dry" season and we had planted and were waiting for the harvest. Just a couple of weeks ago as the harvest was almost ready we had "freaky" rain...downpour...which wiped out most of the crop which was ready to harvest. The rains were not supposed to come until late October, but they did. So, Bosco just notified me we are replanting and in three months we will see what God blesses us with. All work on the mission home has stopped, but we will get back at it, funds allowing, after we get back to Kenya. The workers at the home have been working on a drainage system to help us out in the event of the same rains which occurred as mentioned above so we might save most of the crop. Bosco has been working on small projects which will allow us to approach the powers that may be in the government to request a Charitable Children's Institution status. This will allow us, hopefully if corruption does not interceed, to get some food items and cash supplements during the year. It actually will be difficult with all the corruption, but we are going to give it a try....as always God will make way if this is the way. Basically this is what has happened over the last month at the home.

What is coming up in the States...just more talking...which Tammy says I do a lot of anyway. We will be talking at various places around Michigan and Kentucky during the month of September. If you would like us to come to your area, please email Tammy at tammy@SavedByGodsGrace.org and she can arrange it with you. I will basically talk about anything you want me to talk about, but my specialties are the Gospel and our kids in Kenya. I have a passion for people to know the one true God, Jesus His Son and the Holy Spirit. I also have a mandate which God told Tammy and me to simply continue to make the plight of our mission known to people and He will bring those into partnership with us whom He chooses to accomplish what He wants done...so I talk about that also. Would love to meet both old and new friends and "chat the way forward".

Well, thanks so much for all you have done and God bless you. What we do, even our presence in the States, is only possible with your assistance. We were called to present the Gospel of Jesus to the people of Kenya and live it out with them. We do so by His grace through your support. If you are willing to assist simply click [here](#) and you will be taken to our donation website where you can help. We certainly are grateful for the support and thankful God has moved you to partner with us. If you want to contact us you can always email us at tammy@SavedByGodsGrace.org or chuck@SavedByGodsGrace.org. You can also call us on our US numbers of 602.459.1843 for Tammy or 602.451.8845 for me. We certainly look forward to hearing from you...and seeing you if it will work out by His grace.

Mungu akubariki marafiki zangu (God bless you my friends)

Serving with you only by His grace,

Chuck
Missionary to Kenya