

Hi to each of you,

19 Sept 2008

September has arrived! For you that means apple season, schools have started, new church programs underway, a touch of fall in the air, harvest around the corner...and the list continues. For us in Nairobi, our favorite avocado tree is about finished producing, the days are getting warmer and sunnier, time for me to plant flowers before the short rains, kids are in school with activities in full swing and it's time to update you on the Maasai ministry.

July - lots of time spent in Maasailand!

First - getting 3 CMF Interns settled into their new culture and routine as they worked in the bush clinic system. What a blessing Carlye, David and Eric were...to all they came in contact with and ministered to via the medical field.

Second - our quarterly team meeting to plan and strategize. Barrons, our teammates, hosted all 17 of us (including kids) in their bush mission house near the Maasai Mara. Would have to say that Lynn killing a 6 ft cobra on their porch was definitely the memory maker!!

Third - a Team Building Retreat of the main Maasai leaders and their spouses with CMF Missionaries. It was history in the making!! Maasai leadership and CMF missionaries...all meeting together to plant a vision of the church in Maasailand, to gain greater understanding of each person's ministry role, praying and worshipping all together. This was a first because ALL Maasai leadership was present representing all ministry areas plus geographic areas. It was also the first time for Maasai to bring their spouses which was a huge thing for them..and us! Sessions were led by both Maasai and missionaries. God is growing a deeper partnership with all of us. It was simply amazing to see how far the Maasai leadership has come and also to see where growing still needs to be done.

August - surprises!!

Lynn leaves for the Kajjado Training Center to finish a water project started by the group in June. He calls 3 days later at midnight for me to open our back door for him...what's he doing back home at midnight???? After telling him he's crazy, Crystal bounces from around the corner of the house!!!! Lynn picked her up from the airport to surprise us on his way back home! What a shocker!! Lynn was glad to be home to recoup for some days as he came back sick. We thoroughly enjoyed having Crystal for 3 wks at the end of her summer and it did wonders for Cara who struggled with missing her sisters. Leslie arrived back from her summer in the states a week later and started school the next day. Our times together as a

family are not taken for granted. We never know if/when we will all be together again living 9000 miles apart. It's always bitter sweet...love the hellos but hate the goodbyes.

August 25-29 the Maasai women held a seminar which I had talked about in our June update. 197 women came!! They were so excited, encouraged and blessed. Thank you to those who helped make this happen with your prayers and financial gifts!!

Over the last weeks, Lynn has had the dining room table covered with electrical diagrams of the Ewaso Ngiro Conference and Health Centers. Before month's end, he hopes the actual wiring of the main buildings at the center and medical clinic will begin. That will be a big YAHOO!!! Wiring of the Kajiado Training Center is now complete and waiting for the Kenya Power and Lighting Company to do the last connection. Another big YAHOO!!!

Thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support.

God's peace be yours,

Dori (& Lynn too) for the Caziers

Praising God for:

- * His guidance, direction, and wisdom during Dori's year as Kenya Field Team Chair.
- * Kenya Power and Lighting electricity mains that have come to both Ewaso Ngiro Conference and Health Center, and Kajiado Training Center. Wiring is done at the Kajiado Center at Ng'atataek and we are only waiting for the KP&L to connect.
- * 2 churches that are ready to begin construction. Several Maasai churches are now beginning to understand that their portion of the costs will now need to be more, sometimes much more, than 20%; as building costs escalate and the CMF share is subject to our MRC maximum of 500,000/= (about \$7,350 at current exchange rates).

Praying For:

- * Cara's adjustment as she prepares to release Leslie to go to college next year. She is already starting to process that Leslie will be leaving and she will be the only one left at home. That God would provide a good close friend for Cara during our furlough (Jun '09 - Jan '10) and upon our return to Kenya, Jan '10.
- * Leslie's senior year of High School would be enjoyable and enriching. She would be prepared for college next fall.
- * God's direction for Leslie in applying to colleges and His Hand to be upon her applications.
- * Crystal as she seeks possible internships for spring semester.

* Lynn to be at peace with duties and responsibilities to oversee and administer various projects in Maasailand. He'd much rather be a doer than an administrator, but God knows the more important work that needs to be done to further His Kingdom and further develop and empower the national church and various Maasai wide ministries.

* Pray that wiring can begin at Ewaso Ngiro this month. There should be sufficient funds to wire the main campus of the Conference Center and the Health Center. Pray for additional funds to wire the staff housing at these centers.

* Pray for wisdom and wise stewardship of resources with both the wiring and water projects.

* Several Maasai churches that are working to raise their share of church building costs.

* Wisdom about looking for a different house before departure or after our return from furlough. We're now planning to give up our present home at the conclusion of the current contract June '09. We want to be good stewards and keep our rent reasonable, but would also like to stay within 30 minutes of Rosslyn Academy, Cara's school; when we return from furlough.

* Our supporters have been consistent and blessed us. But our financial support has remained roughly the same the last few years and has not increased near enough to cover the lower exchange rates we've generally had since our return from furlough or the inflation as high as 30% this year since post-election violence. Our reserve balance at CMF is not as strong as it used to be, but because of the outpouring of generous contributions after Lynn's carjacking, we've been able to stay in the positive. However, as we'd prefer not to use semi-annual carjackings as a means to raise sustaining support, please pray for an overall abundant increase in our sustaining support contributions.

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