



Eastern  
Mennonite  
Missions

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## BOYER BRIEFINGS

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” Isaiah 41:10 Wes had this verse in his devotions when he was sick and it was a source of encouragement and strength to him.

This month was one of testing. First Wes was very sick and the doctor thought it was malaria. But it turned out to be food poisoning. It took him a week to get over it. Then he was well for a week and then had a bout with diverticulitis. After three days he finally went to the doctor and they diagnosed it and treated it. So after a week he is much improved.

We had neighbors for two weeks in the house next to us where Haile's lived. They are in the states at present so Darren and Cindi Schaupp and their three children rented it for a vacation. We enjoyed having them very much. They are working in Ethiopia. They are working with Samaritan's Purse.



The Schaupp family

In between his illnesses Wes was a big help in helping us move the office from

Westlands to our compound here. It is very nice and I had fun getting it set up. Two friends went with me to buy curtain material and our house helper made the curtains.



This is the new EMM office! It is great!

Wes and I are again taking Swahili lessons with a private tutor. We really want to learn this language.

This month was a month of grieving here as 3 children died. The fathers work here as guards and gardeners. Two children died when an automobile went out of control and hit three of his children who were walking along with their house-helper. Then another guard's baby died. He had been ill but it was so sad. Also two very good friends from Vincent church died within a day of each other. We couldn't be there of course so it was hard. Our hearts go out to all these folks.

We had lots of cucumbers in our garden so I couldn't watch them go to waste and I found canning jars and equipment in the storage room so I canned 13 pint of Seven Day pickles! It was fun!

The one Sunday that Wes was not sick, he preached at Hunter's church. We always

enjoy going there. It is a new, small church but we see a lot of potential there. They found land to build a church and are looking at buying it so they are working at fundraising. They really need a larger facility.



Land where Hunter's church is hoping to build.

We continue to meet very interesting people who are serving the Lord in many areas of Kenya, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and other areas. Many groups come for short term assignments to help in Orphanages, hospitals, translation work, HIV ministry and many other kinds of service. God's hand is moving both in the lives of the servants and those being served. It is our joy to be a part of it. Below is a picture of Joseph from the Massai who went to Canada to Bible School and has returned to serve his community.



Celebrating Joseph's graduation (in back) from Canadian Mennonite University with

friends from Olepolos, including the Massai chief. (3<sup>rd</sup> from right)

### Prayer Needs:

Pray for good health as we have some things coming up outside of Nairobi. Praise God for opportunities to serve. We continue to get invitations to preach and teach. Pray for wisdom to know how much to accept.

Pray for wisdom and understand as we work with the EMM team here.

Pray for Lois as she works at the EMM

### Note from the MST

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