



**Eastern
Mennonite
Missions**

*together with Christ,
transforming the world*

“I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.” Psalm 34: 1

We praise God for His guidance, compassion, love, provision and grace. It is hard to think of packing up and saying good-bye to all the friends we have made here. But we are also excited about coming home and reconnecting with family and friends at home. There are many unknowns for the future: jobs, where to live, where to go to church, etc. We can live in Dan’s house as long as we need to so that is not an immediate concern. God has already provided us with a car. Friends offered to give us a car. We praise God for their kindness and generosity.

Here at the Guest House a new renovation project has begun. We are expanding the Dining Room to accommodate the added guests from the new building. So once again, things are torn up and under construction.



Construction site at MGH

We have felt very safe and secure here but things do happen. Two of our friends, a father and his 18 year old son, were hijacked one evening about 9:00 pm. There were 5 guys, two with guns who took over their car and drove them around for 5 hours, robbed them, making them give their ATM pin and got money from their bank account. But God was with them. They did not harm them and they gave them back their passports, the car and the sim card for their phone. It was obvious they wanted only money. The father witnessed to them and spoke to them in their native language. He had been in

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Kenya over 30 years. When they left him, they told him to pray for them. It was traumatic for him and his family and for those of us here who walked with them through this experience. God was with them all the way.

We were at Mathare after the hymn sing on the 7th to pray for the school children who were taking the exam for secondary school. It is a big step for these children. If they don’t pass the exam, they can’t go to secondary (high) school. It was an impressive service with each child receiving a gift and the parents standing with them to support them.



Students and parents

November 19-21 was the Spirit Inspired Leadership Conference at Nyarombo Mennonite Church outside Migori and was planned for the Southern Dioceses church leaders. This was the first



Wes with interpreter, Peter Ngere Mennonite Church established in Kenya. They have a new building but on the same site. Wes and I

were the featured speakers. I had the opening address on Friday evening and Wes spoke twice on Saturday and once on Sunday. We saw some real unity and an eagerness to learn.

We stopped at the Dow Family Children's Home on the way out and spent the night and also on the way home. We had Christmas for the children. We gave little gifts to each of the 33 children wrapped in Christmas paper. Some of these children had never received a gift before and especially not a wrapped present. They were so delighted and expressed joy and thanks. The Dow's do a very great work in the Leitin community with the home and now they also have a school. They need regular support.



Dow Children with their presents

Thanksgiving Day is not a holiday here but we always have a special Thanksgiving Dinner. This year we had turkey and roast beef with all the trimmings. We decorated the tables with candles and flowers. I made 2 pumpkin and 3 apple pies. People lingered long at the tables in fellowship.



Nov. 14th we were at Eastleigh Fellowship. We enjoyed the service and then they had a fellowship meal for us as a farewell.

We flew to Malindi November 27 for an ordination service for the church planter there. Peter Otieno was a deacon and started the church and was ordained on Sunday the 28th. Many people came from his home area of Migori and also from Nairobi. Aram and Debbi and children drove down and then we rented a house together and stayed a few extra days for vacation. Malindi was founded by the Italians so it has an Italian flavor. It is very hot there. But our house had a very nice pool!

We praise God for His protection in this city.

We praise God for the opportunities we have had to minister here.

Pray as we organize, decide what to bring home and as we pack to leave on December 19th at 11:30 pm.

Pray for the people with whom we have made contacts that the influence of Christ's love would continue in their lives.

Pray that the rest of our needed support to end in the black will be raised and that God would richly bless all our supporters over the past two years.

Note from the MST

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