

**Update from Kenya
Dave & Sue Whitlock
June, 2017**

Highlights of Sue's work:

The Doctor/Nursing strike was settled, they were supposed to receive pay increases starting June 1st; that did not happen so the strike is back on. Private hospitals are still seeing patients. Sue's clinics are going extremely well, the participation has been very good. The mobile clinics are always busy and full. Most of my work is with community health and women's ministries.

Highlights of David's work:

At this time I work on repairing schools and churches that are in need of assistance. The projects have included: painting, building blackboards, student desks, and nursery tables, pouring a church floor that took 292 bags of cement, and putting up metal sheeting buildings. Some of these projects are in town and others are several hours out of town.

The Audio Bible Program continues. We have over 60 of the audio Bibles in the field at this time and hope to have over 100 by the end of the year. This has been a huge and rewarding success.

I continue to lead the Street Boys and the (new) School Youth Bible Lesson Program. I also preach on some Sundays, and am requested to speak at Youth Camps throughout the year. It is our hope to put our own youth camp together later this year for the Street Boys.

The School Youth Program originated due to the fact that some the schools were teaching information not in the Bible. Our objective is to give the students a sound Biblical foundation. The format for the program is that we teach the Bible for 20 minutes then have the students color or do a hand's on project about the lesson. The lesson time is followed by taking the children outside and allowing the students to play games for 20 minutes. We are now in 9 primary schools targeting ages 3 - 8 year olds. Some of the schools are in town and others are located in the bush. Between the Street Boys and School Youth Bible Program this has caused an increase in our budget of \$400 per month. At this time we are paying \$4 per gallon for fuel.

We have four men that work with us on all of the projects. These four employees have come together as a great team.

Update on the goat project & food situation:

The long rainy season is supposed to start in December and end in May. This year we had two weeks of the rainy season. Not only did the livestock die but people in several areas also died. So at this time we will not be purchasing more goats until conditions change.

Right now we are beginning a food shortage. The prices of sugar, flour, and milk have increased 2 to 6 times of what they were 5 weeks ago. The crops that are in the fields look very bad due to no rain.

Language:

Language is an ongoing lesson. The overview of the language situation is: The business language in Kenya is English, the national language is Swahili and then you have 42 different mother tongues. We will always have a translator with us due to the work that we are doing. Sue being in the health field could be extremely dangerous if there is a miscommunication between her and the patient. I working with construction want to make sure that everyone understands the project and the proper way to do the project. I have attempted on several occasions to speak in Swahili and get that "deer in the headlight look." We communicate Swahili but are not fluent. Age does not help with learning a new language!

The photos are local sights in Norak. This is our everyday life!



Blessing to all,
Dave and Sue
Missionaries in Kenya

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