



The ROSE Family

Missionaries to Kenya, East Africa



"...Immediately we endeavoured to go... assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them." -Acts 16:10

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Dear friends,

Our God is awesome, and He is worthy of our praise! He has shown His hand many times on our behalf over the last couple of months, and we want to share some things He has done with you. When we last wrote, our van was still in the body shop from the accident we had in December. The repairs were finished; we were only waiting on insurance to approve the repairs and release the van back to us. The insurance did approve the repairs in late March, and we now have our vehicle again!

But God didn't stop there. When we received our van, we noticed a few minor issues. It was returned to the body shop for two days, and then Matthew had to take it back again. This time, he waited at the shop for several hours while the repairs were completed. Little did he know that God had him at the shop for a divine appointment. A man who was also waiting for his car came and addressed Matthew. When the man found out that Matthew was a preacher, he asked many questions about God, the Bible, and mankind. They talked for over an hour. This man is truly searching for God, He believes there is a God, but He is not sure that anyone can know Him. We have been praying for this man's salvation each day and ask that you join us in that prayer. When the man left, our van was soon ready. God's ways are amazing!

At the end of March, our five-county area was placed under lockdown. People were not allowed to come inside or go outside of the area, and churches in the area were not allowed to meet. God was in this situation too. Some good missionary friends in Nairobi invited us to the online Easter service hosted at their home. There, Matthew was able to share a testimony using only Swahili! During the lockdown, we had the opportunity as a family to pass out some Swahili Gospel tracts near our home while visiting some small market areas. We encountered hundreds of people in a matter of minutes. While many of these people would identify with Christianity, most are lost. Praise God for the opportunity to share the hope of Christ with them!

We are so happy to say that we have taken the final exam and have now completed our studies at the language school! Thank you for praying with us about our language skills. God has helped us make much progress. Please continue to pray for us as we continue to work towards fluency.

The lockdown is now over, and we plan to take a trip to Kericho the first week of June to search for and, Lord willing, secure a rental house. After that, we will begin moving to Kericho. We are trusting God to work out all the details, and already He is working. He has given us two Kenyan contacts in Kericho and a fellow missionary friend who are all scouting the area for rental homes that might work for us. Though we have not asked for special funds, God burdened three churches and a few individuals to send love offerings over the last two months. These offerings have helped cover the expenses of our upcoming move. We praise God for his goodness and provision.

We praise the Lord for:

Having a vehicle again
Completion of language school
His goodness & provision

We pray for:

The salvation of the man Matthew talked with
Fluency in the Swahili language
God to continue to work in the details of our move to Kericho

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