

NEKESA - "The Harvester" March, 2008

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I received this note from Justus. It seemed good to let you see how exhausting his schedule is and why it is often hard for us to communicate with him.

Dear Brother Allen,

Greetings and love in the Name of the Lord. I am sorry that I was delayed in writing as I promised. I had to leave on the bus Wednesday night to Nairobi (an 8 hour trip), get Mama Doris' residency papers renewed and arrange for her trip to Australia and ride the bus back Wednesday night. When I arrived in Bungoma Thursday morning I had to meet with the Probation Officer and the Resident Magistrate. I am one of the members of the Probation Supervision Team for the Bungoma and Teso Districts. My work is usually to pray and give advice; it is very interesting to represent Christ in such an environment. We spent the day going to each place where these people are placed on probation to visit them. So I came back from Nairobi in the morning, two days without sleep, and spent the whole day with the Probation Team. Then I met with Home Bible Fellowship ministers at 5. I had just settled in to bed at 7:30 when Ann, the guest housekeeper, called to tell me that Mama Doris' new puppy had bitten her. I had to take her to the Hospital for a rabies shot. After I finally got home and went to sleep, loud drunkards in the neighborhood awakened me at 2 am.

The Kamkoywa Church invited us to a thanksgiving service for the Lord raising up their Church. They recounted how New Creation Church of Glenwood Springs, CO blessed them by helping them purchase land and build a meeting building. They also gave thanks that one of their young men was healed by the Lord of a leg wound he had suffered with for many years. His family was too poor to get him the care he needed. We prayed for him, took him to the hospital and paid his bills. He is able to walk again. At the end of the service they surprised us with a blessing of a cow, sheep, chickens, bananas, beans, eggs, pineapples and all other kinds of produce from their farms.

Oh, what a blessing!



MAMA Doris turned 83, Feb. 24. We only invited a few people to be part of her party this year. She was so blessed by the party. She is happy and healthy.

Things in Bungoma are mostly back to normal and travel is safe. The cost of food has doubled and there are no signs of it declining in the near future. In Eldoret, Nakuru and other places the people are still living in open fields. It is the rainy season, which means these people have no refuge from malaria bearing mosquitoes. The Red Cross wants to send in aid but the power sharing compromise agreement has not been finalized yet. Until it is, many tribes will not allow the Red Cross to come in.

We give thanks in these difficult circumstances because we know that our God is working all things for our good. Pray with us that we, the Church, will complete every work He has given us that all men may be saved. God bless you.