## THE HESELSCHWERDT FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO EAST AFRICA

Jeffrey

Getting to count pills in the Pharmacy for the Medical Missions Clinic

Hannah

Working in the Vision Clinic and seeing the smiles on others faces when they could see again

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Helping my mom in the Medical Missions Clinic

March 2024

Dear Pastors, Friends, and Co-laborers,

March did exactly that—it marched right on! It is hard to believe that the month has already come and gone, but we are excited to report what God has done and what He is doing here in Kenya, East Africa!

At the beginning of the month, we had the national pastors in Ruiru for the Pastors' Practical Training Academy! We have 13 pastors altogether who will be finishing up their training in another two months and then graduating. Just two weeks after the PPTA training, from March 18-23, we all came together again in Migori, Rongo, and Ndhiwa to have the Medical Missions Clinics. We were blessed to have Truth for Today Medical Missions bring 15 helpers to run the clinics. Our team member, Andrew Richey, brought 14 people from his church who helped with translating, and our team leader, Peter Morris, was in charge of our national pastors as they did the soul winning each day. Peter's daughter Lindsay did vitals with my wife Ali, and our children were able to help in the pharmacy (Jeffrey), vision (Hannah), and walking patients (Esther). We also had 2 men from our church help with translating! All and all, this ministry would not have and could not have been possible without the entire team coming together! We praise the Lord, as we were able to see 1,448 people come through the clinics in just 5 days. From this, we were overjoyed to see the majority of them make professions of faith!

Since the clinics, the three hosting pastors have been busy following up with those who came through the clinics! We have already received positive feedback from the hosting pastors, which I would encourage you to read about in our other letter, "A Word from Our Nationals." We thank you for your prayers through this ministry opportunity, and we praise the Lord for what He has done and will continue to do from this ministry!

Besides the medical clinics, we have also been very busy in our church plant. We have just finished a series of studies looking at what it means to be a true New Testament church. We are now starting week by week to study one doctrine at a time that we believe as a church and then adding it into a doctrinal statement. It is a slow, step-by-step process, but it truly has been exciting to see the growth week after week! Pray with us, as we are hoping that by October or November, we will be able to have those eligible come together for our Charter Service to plant Lighthouse Baptist Church of Acacia, Kitengela, officially!

Lastly, we have continued having our teens meet one Saturday a month to have a time for Bible study and fun! It has been great to see them come together in unity as they grow in Christ!

Please continue to pray for the hosting pastors from the medical clinics as they follow up with those who came and try to get them into discipleship and church! Please pray for the establishment of Lighthouse Baptist Church and for our spiritual growth! Please pray for our teens as they prepare for a Teen Conference in August. Lastly, thank you for your faithful prayers for Ali, as she is doing much better; please continue to pray for her strength and health.

Thank you all, and may the Lord bless you!

Your co-laborers for lost souls across East Africa.

The HESELSCHWERDT Family
Brandon, Ali, Jeffrey, Hannah, and Esther
Romans 10:14



Ali and the girls counting pills for the Medical Missions Clinics



Lewis translating for Dr. Amos during the Medical Missions Clinics



Daniel and Lewis giving an update in front of the church



Ali taking vitals on a little girl and her mother



Some of the teenagers working through their lesson books



The national pastors, Peter Morris, and our family all together after a long week of medical camps and soul winning!